Contributors’ Notes

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Artists

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Amanda Hughes, in the series Associated Press, mines the print edition of the New York Times to examine
connections between geopolitics, class, identity, and luxury goods. For the past year, Hughen has worked primarily with imagery from a single edition: the January 6, 2015 print edition of the New York Times. The headline photo that day was a large color portrait of an Afghani man who, since losing both sons in the conflict, spends his time ferrying dead bodies back to their families on both sides of the war. On the next page, A2, just behind his photo, was an ad for a Wempe gold ring that mimicked the form of the turban of the man on the cover.

**Julia Lourie** is an independent curator based out of Brooklyn, NY. She works closely with artists to create exhibitions that explore the intersections of fine art and social justice. Lourie has contributed her efforts to numerous exhibitions in the United States and abroad, including Kara Walker’s *A Subtlety...* at the Domino Sugar Factory in Brooklyn (2014), *Room for Forbidden Books* by Alicia Framis at Art Basel – Parcours, Switzerland (2015), and *When I Give I Give Myself* at the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, Netherlands (2015).

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