Friday, May 11, 2007

9:00 - 9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

From Carter to Bush: An Overview of the last 30 years of U.S.-Latin American Relations

John R. Hamilton was sworn in on December 6, 2002, as United States Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala. He served as U.S. Ambassador to Peru from 1999 until 2002. From 1998 to 1999, he was Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs. Previously, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Central America, the Caribbean, and Cuba. Ambassador Hamilton was Director of the Office of Central American and Panamanian Affairs from July 1992 through January 1996. He was also political counselor in San José, Costa Rica (1989-92) and Lima, Peru (1986-89).

10:45 a.m. - noon

The Contours of the Contemporary Latin American Left

Eric Hershberg is Director of the Latin American Studies Program and Professor of Political Science at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia. Before arriving at SFU, he served as a program director at the Social Science Research Council in New York City.

1:30 - 2:45 p.m.

The History of Violence: Human Rights Justice in Latin America.

Kate Doyle, a Senior Analyst of U.S. policy in Latin America, currently directs the Mexico Project, which aims to obtain documents on U.S.-Mexican relations. She edited two of the Archive's collections of declassified records--Death Squads, Guerrilla War, Covert Operations, and Genocide: Guatemala and the United States, 1954-1999, and El Salvador: War, Peace and Human Rights, 1980-1994--and numerous Electronic Briefing Books on Guatemala and Mexico for the Archive's website.

3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Panel Discussion: Post-Castro Cuba

Saturday, May 12, 2007

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The U.S. through the Eyes of Brazil

Paulo Sotero Marques is the director of the Brazil Institute of the Woodrow Wilson Center. For the last seventeen years, Paulo was the Washington correspondent for *Estado de S. Paulo*, a leading Brazilian daily newspaper. He has also been a regular commentator and analyst for the BBC radio Portuguese language service, Radio France Internationale, and Radio Eldorado, in Brazil. Since 2003 he has been an adjunct lecturer at Georgetown University both in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese and in the Center for Latin American Studies of the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service.

10:45 a.m. – noon

Indigenous Peoples and Globalization in Latin America

Lise Nelson is an assistant professor of geography at University of Oregon in Eugene. Professor Nelson is interested in the social and political impacts of globalization across the Americas, particularly on place identities and democracy. Her research focuses on indigenous communities, gender, and shifting political cultures in Mexico, as well the politics of place and belonging within immigrant-receiving communities in the United States.

1:30 - 2:45 p.m.

A Journalist's Perspective on Current Events in Latin America

Sergio Munoz has served as a contributing editor and editorial board member of the Los Angeles Times, Editor of Nuestro Tiempo, executive editor and managing editor of La Opinión (Los Angeles, Calif.) and a columnist for numerous newspapers and journals in Latin America.

3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Panel Discussion: Free Trade in the Americas, No-one left behind?