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### ASIL RULE OF LAW EVENT AVAILABLE ON WEB

WASHINGTON, DC – The American Society of International Law (ASIL) hosted a recent event entitled *Promoting the Rule of Law in Post-Conflict Societies: Are International Institutions Getting It Right?* A panel of four experts discussed how international institutions, such as the United Nations and the World Bank, are facilitating rule of law promotion. Audio and visual components from the program are now available on ASIL's website at

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The panelists for the Rule of Law event represented a variety of view points and experiences. **Robert Pulver**, Chief of the Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Unit in the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations (UNDPKO) Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit, gave an overview of UNDPKO's institutional structure and approach to the rule of law in peacekeeping missions. **Scott Carlson**, author of *Legal and Judicial Rule of Law Work in Multi-Dimensional Peacekeeping Operations: Lessons-Learned Study*, provided attendees with a summary and overview of that report's findings and recommendations. **Klaus Decker** of the Justice Reform Practice Group in the Legal

Vice-Presidency of the World Bank described the Bank's approach to post-conflict rule of law challenges. **Rosa Brooks**, Associate Professor of Law, University of Virginia, gave the final presentation. She is co-author of *Can Might Make Rights? Building the Rule of Law after Military Interventions*, a new ASIL book that provides a theoretical analysis of rule of law promotion activities in post-conflict environments.

ASIL is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational membership organization. It was founded in 1906, chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1950, and has held Category II Consultative Status to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations since 1993. ASIL's mission is to foster the study of international law and to promote the establishment and maintenance of international relations on the basis of law and justice. The Society's 4,000 members (from nearly 100 countries) comprise attorneys, academics, corporate counsel, judges, representatives of governments and nongovernmental organizations, students, and others interested in international law. Throughout 2006 ASIL celebrates its centennial with the theme "A Just World Under Law."