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**ASIL'S 101st ANNUAL MEETING EXAMINES
INT'L TRADE AND ECONOMIC ISSUES**

WASHINGTON, DC – The American Society of International Law's (ASIL) 101st Annual Meeting, themed "The Future of International Law", will include a series of events examining international trade and economic issues. From March 28 through March 31, 2007, the Meeting will take place at the Fairmont Hotel, 2401 M Street, NW, Washington, DC. Panels related to international trade and economics will be

a **Plenary Corporate Counsel Forum on *The Impact of International Law on Multinational Corporations***, co-sponsored by George Washington University Law School and featuring general counsel panelists Thomas Gottschalk of **General Motors**, Paul Wright of **ExxonMobil**, and Alberto Mora of **Wal-Mart** (Friday, March 30, 4:30 pm – 5:45 pm);

Multinational Corporations: Balancing Rights and Responsibilities, a speech by Nobel-prize-winning economist **Joseph Stiglitz** co-sponsored by American University's Washington College of Law (Wednesday, March 28, 4:15 pm – 5:30 pm);

The Future of Arbitrations Involving States, co-sponsored by the Institute for Transnational Arbitration's Academic Council (Wednesday, March 28, 9:00 am – 1:30

pm);

The Canada-U.S. Border: Free Trade in a Time of Enhanced Security, featuring Michael Wilson, Canadian Ambassador to the U.S. (Thursday, March 29, 9:00 am – 10:30 am);

The Future of Internet Governance, including panelists Esther Dyson, former chair of ICANN, and Ambassador David A. Gross, U.S. Department of State (Thursday, March 29, 2:45 pm - 4:15 pm);

What Future for the Doha Development Agenda and the Multilateral Negotiating Regime?, including panelist Dorothy Dwoskin, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (Friday, March 30, 9:00 am – 10:30 am);

Toward International Order in Migration and Trade? (Friday, 10:45 am – 12:15 pm);

International Economic Law Research, Teaching & Practice: Report of the International Economic Law Interest Group Bretton Woods Conference (Friday, March 30, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm);

Divergence and Harmonization in Private International Law, moderated by David P. Stewart, U.S. Department of State (Friday, March 30, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm);

a ***Roundtable on the News Media and International Law***, including panelist Jim Landers, international business correspondent for the *Dallas Morning News* (Friday, March 30, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm);

The Future of Transnational Litigation in U.S. Courts: Distinct Field or Footnote? (Friday, March 30, 2:45 pm – 4:15 pm); and

The Future of International Labor Law (Friday, March 30, 2:45 pm – 4:15 pm).

With a century of tradition and experience behind it, ASIL's Annual Meeting has become the most important gathering of international law professionals in the world. Approximately 1,000 leading legal scholars, practitioners, and officials come together from some 50 countries to debate and discuss the latest issues and developments in the field. Full details of the four-day program are available at www.asil.org/events/am07. Credentialed press may attend the Meeting by registering at www.asil.org/pressreg.html.

ASIL is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational membership organization. It was founded in 1906, chartered by the US 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 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, international civil servants, students, and others interested in international law. To learn more about the Society, visit www.asil.org.