



UNITED STATES-MEXICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CÁMARA DE COMERCIO MÉXICO-ESTADOS UNIDOS

14th Annual U.S. - Mexico Congressional Border Issues Conference Immigration Reform and Security Cooperation

Wednesday, March 17, 2010

Gold Room (2168), Rayburn House Office Building

5:00 – 6:30 pm

CONGRESSIONAL RECEPTION

Master of Ceremonies: Honorable Al Zapanta, President & CEO, USMCOOC

Welcoming and Introduction of Special Guests:

Congressman Silvestre Reyes (D-TX)

Congressman Michael McCaul (R-TX)

5:30 – 5:45 pm

Special Guest of Honor:

Honorable Steny Hoyer, House Majority Leader

6:00 – 6:15 pm

Sister City Guests of Honor:

Mayor Oscar Luebbert Gutierrez (Reynosa, MX)

Mayor John David Franz (Hidalgo, TX)

Thursday, March 18, 2010

Gold Room (2168), Rayburn House Office Building

9:00 – 9:10 am

WELCOME

Welcoming and Introduction:

Honorable Al Zapanta, President & CEO, USMCOOC

Congressman Silvestre Reyes (D-TX)

Congressman Michael McCaul (R-TX)

9:10 – 9:25 am

Opening Speaker:

Ambassador Miriam Sapiro, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative

9:30 – 11:00 am

PANEL: IMMIGRATION REFORM & LABOR MOBILITY

Panel Moderator: **María Hinojosa**, Founder Executive Producer, Latino USA

Panelists:

Congressman Solomon Ortiz (D-TX)

Congressman Luis V. Gutierrez (D-IL)

Alejandro Díaz Bautista, Colegio de la Frontera Norte

Helen Kriebel, Founder & President, Vernon K. Kriebel Foundation

Clarissa Martínez De Castro, Director, Immigration and National Campaigns, National Council of la Raza

Esther Olavarria, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Rod Rodrigue, President & CEO, Time Wise

Marc R. Rosenblum, Senior Policy Analyst, Migration Policy Institute

11:00 – 1:00 pm

PANEL: THE DYNAMICS OF TRADE, COMMERCE, & INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE BORDER

Panel Moderator: **Jose Zozaya**, President & Executive Representative, Kansas City Southern de Mexico

Panelists:

Senator John Cornyn (R-TX)

Congressman Harry Teague (D-NM)

Gary H. Baise, Principal Attorney, Olsson Frank & Weeda

Nelson H. Balido, President, Border Trade Alliance

Louis Escareno, Director, Government & Public Affairs, Duty Free Americas

Kevin Keller, Vice President, HDR Engineering Inc.

Robert Pastor, Co-Director, Center for North American Studies, American University

Gerald Schwebel, Executive Vice President, International Bank of Commerce

1:00 – 2:15 pm

LUNCHEON Keynote Speakers:

Ambassador Arturo Sarukhan, Ambassador of Mexico to the United States

Alan Bersin, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Special Representative of Border Affairs, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

2:30 – 4:30 pm

PANEL: MERIDA INITIATIVE & U.S.-MEXICO SECURITY COOPERATION

Panel Moderator: **Suzanne Petrie**, Director, International Strategy, TASC

Panelists:

Congressman Silvestre Reyes (D-TX)

Congressman Michael McCaul (R-TX)

Congressman Eliot Engel (D-NY)

Congressman Ruben Hinojosa (D-TX)

Congressman Ciro Rodriguez (D-TX)

Congressman Henry Cuellar (D-TX)

Alan Bersin, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Special Representative of Border Affairs, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

John Chrisos, Vice President, American Science and Engineering (AS&E)

Mauricio Ibarra, Special Affairs, Mexican Embassy

Roberta Jacobson, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Canada, Mexico and NAFTA, U.S. Department of State

Francisco Palmieri, Director for Latin America, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S. Department of State

4:30 pm

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