



PROSPECTS FOR BRAZIL-US RELATIONS IN THE NEW AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION

Friday, December 5, 2008

8:45 AM — 6:00 PM

6th Floor Flom Auditorium

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8:45 AM OPENING SESSION

Welcome Remarks: Lee H. Hamilton, President and Director, Woodrow Wilson Center

Speakers: Antonio de Aguiar Patriota, Brazil's Ambassador to the US and

Clifford Sobel, US Ambassador to Brazil

9:30 AM IS THERE ROOM FOR A STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BRAZIL AND THE US? PART I

Speakers: Nelson Jobim, Brazil's Minister of Defense; Thomas Pickering, Vice Chairman, Hills & Company

Chair: Kellie Meiman, Managing Director, McLarty Associates

11:00 AM BREAK

11:15 AM IS THERE ROOM FOR A STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BRAZIL AND THE US? PART II

Speakers: Blairo Maggi, Governor, State of Mato Grosso; Anthony Harrington, President and CEO, Stonebridge Internationa; Rubens Barbosa, President, Superior Council of Foreign Trade, FIESP; John J.

Danilovich, CEO, Millennium Challenge Corporation

Chair: Jon Huenemann, Principal for the International Department, Miller & Chevalier

12:45 PM Brazil and the Current World Economic Crisis

Lunch Keynote speaker: Antonio Barros de Castro, Counselor for Strategies to the President, National Bank of

Economic and Social Development (BNDES)

Chair: Anthony Harrington, President and CEO, Stonebridge International

2:30 PM CAN BRAZIL AND THE US BECOME PARTNERS IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY?

Speakers: Marcio Zimmermann, Brazil's Deputy Minister of Mines and Energy; Jason Steinbaum, Staff Director, House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere; Eduardo Pereira de Carvalho, Senior Executive, ETH Bioenergy; Carl Meacham, Senior Staff, Senate Foreign Relations Committee; Joel

Velasco, Chief Representative for North America, Brazil Sugarcane Industry Association (Unica)

Chair: Paulo Sotero, Director, Brazil Institute, Woodrow Wilson Center

4:00 PM BREAK

4:15 PM CHALLENGES TO BRAZIL AND US REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

Speakers: **Thomas A. Shannon**, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere; **Marcel Biato**, Deputy International Affairs Adviser to President Lula; **Riordan Roett**, <u>Fulbright Scholar</u>, Director of Western Hemisphere Studies, SAIS at John Hopkins University; **Matias Spektor**, Professor of International Relations, Fundação Getúlio Vargas; **Carlos Pio**, <u>Fulbright Scholar</u>, Professor of Political Economy, University of Brasilia

Chair: Leslie Bethell, Public Policy Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center

6:00 PM RECEPTION – ART OPENING OF "VISUAL IMPRESSIONS" IN CELEBRATION OF THE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE

FULBRIGHT COMMISSION IN BRAZIL