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# PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20				
(Guide to speakers can	be found at end	l of the Program.)		
12:00 noon-1:15 p.m.	LUNCH: Senate Courtoom #6, United States Capitol			
1:30-3:00 p.m.	MEETING: Russell Senate Office Bldg. Room 388			
	Speaker:	Brian McKeon, Legislative Assistant to Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr.		
3:30-5:00 p.m.	MEETING: Room 2173	Rayburn House Office Building		
	Speaker:	Christopher Kojm, Director, Regional & Security Issues, Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives		
THURSDAY, OCTOBE	ER 21			
10:00-11:30 a.m.	MEETING:	United States Department of State		
	Speaker:	Thomas Weston, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European & Canadian Affairs		

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

12 noon-1:30 p.m.	LUNCH:	United States Department of Commerce, Room 3407
	Speaker:	Franklin Vargo, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Europe
2:00-3:00 p.m.	MEETING:	Brookings Institution, Room 420
	Speaker:	Catherine M. Kelleher, Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution
3:30-5:00 p.m.	MEETING:	Delegation of European Communities
	Speaker:	Jonathan Davidson, Head, Academic Affairs, European Community Delegation
FRIDAY, OCTOBER	. 22	
9:00-10:15 a.m.	MEETING:	Pentagon, Room 1E801
	Speaker:	Joseph Kruzel, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Europear and NATO Policy

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

LUNCH:	International Club of Washington	
Speaker:	Gunter Pleuger, Minister- Counselor for Political Affairs, German Embassy	
MEETING:	Center for Strategic & International Studies	
Speaker:	Antonios C. Backos, Special Assistant to the Vice President for Economic and Business Policy, Center for Strategic & International Studies	
	Speaker:  MEETING:	

#### **GUIDE TO SPEAKERS**

Antonios C. Backos (B.A., University of Pennsylvania; B.S., Wharton School of Business; M.Sc. (Economics), London School of Economics and Political Science)

Special Assistant to the Vice President for Economic and Business Policy Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

Currently directs the CSIS Senior European Discussion Group and the Regionalism Working Group of the Global Forum: Leadership 2000, a joint initiative with the Japan Forum on International Relations. Previously Mr. Backos was with the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies.

Jonathan Davidson (M.A. (History), Cambridge University)

Head of Academic Affairs, European Community Delegation in Washington DC

Currently acts as liaison with universities and provides support for academic programs on the European Community. Previously Mr. Davidson represented the University of South Carolina in Washington DC as Director of their Washington Office and Special Assistant to the President for International Programs during which time he organized numerous international events on the European Community. From 1963-81, Mr. Davidson served in the British Diplomatic Service.

Catherine McArdle Kelleher (Ph.D. (Political Science), Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution

A specialist in International Security Studies, Dr. Kelleher was formerly Professor and Director of the Center for International Security Studies at the University of Maryland. Previously she taught at the National War College, the University of Denver, University of Michigan, and served as a staff member for the National Security Council during the Carter Administration. Dr. Kelleher has authored numerous publications on NATO and West Europe.

Christopher A. Kojm (A.B., Harvard College (History); M.A. Princeton University (Public Affairs))

Director, Regional & Security Issues, Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives

Currently responsible for coordinating Committee work on policy and legislative issues on regional and security issues.

Previously Mr. Kojm served on the staff for two Congressional committees concerned with foreign affairs and was Senior Editor for the Foreign Policy Association.

Joseph Kruzel (M.P.A. and Ph.D., Harvard University)

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for European and NATO Policy.

Dr. Kruzel has been actively involved in US defense policy both as a practitioner and an academic. He served in the U.S. Air Force in Vietnam and on the staff for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Dr. Kruzel has taught at Harvard, Duke, and Ohio State University, and has held defense-related positions in government both in the executive and legislative branches. Dr. Kruzel has published widely on defense policy and arms control.

Brian P. McKeon (B.A. (Government and International Studies), University of Notre Dame)

Currently Legislative Assistant to Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
Advisor on foreign policy and defense issues primarily with
the Senate Subcommittee on European Affairs.

#### Gunter Pleuger (Ph.D. (Law))

Minister-Counselor for Political Affairs of the German Embassy, Washington DC.

Dr. Pleuger has had long experience in foreign affairs having served in many capacities. Most recently he was Director of Public Information and Liaison with political parties in the Federal Foreign Minister's Office in Bonn. Previously he was a member of the Policy Planning Staff in Bonn, and served in various embassy positions in India, the United Nations, and Liverpool where he was Consulate General.

#### Franklin J. Vargo (M.B.A., Indiana University)

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Europe

Mr. Vargo has been a career international economist with the Department of Commerce since 1965. Currently he is responsible for implementing the Department's trade and investment activities with Western Europe, Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union. Recently Mr. Vargo received the President's Distinguished Executive Award-the highest award that can be received by a career government executive.

## Thomas G. Weston (B.S., M.A., Michigan State University)

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European & Canadian Affairs Mr. Weston has served as a Foreign Service Officer in the U.S. Department of State since 1969. He has held positions in Zaire and Germany as well as numerous posts within the State Department. During 1990 to 1993, Mr. Weston was Deputy Chief of Mission for the U.S. Mission to the European Communities.