

## APPENDIX II

### BACKGROUND OF COMMISSIONERS

#### Larry M. Wortzel, Ph.D., Chairman

Chairman Larry M. Wortzel was appointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission on November 9, 2001, and reappointed on January 4, 2005, by House Speaker Dennis Hastert for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2006. He was unanimously approved as Commission Chairman for the 2006 Report Cycle on February 2, 2006.

He previously served as the Director of the Asian Studies Center and vice president for foreign policy at the Heritage Foundation. A leading authority on China, Asia, national security, and military strategy, Chairman Wortzel joined Heritage in November 1999 upon completing a distinguished thirty-two-year career in the U.S. armed forces. His last military position was as director of the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College.

Following three years in the Marine Corps, Chairman Wortzel enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1970. His first assignment with the Army Security Agency took him to Thailand, where he focused on Chinese military communications in Vietnam and Laos. Within three years, he had graduated Infantry Officer Candidate School, as well as both Airborne and Ranger schools. After serving four years as an infantry officer in Korea and at Fort Benning, Georgia, he shifted to military intelligence. Wortzel traveled regularly throughout Asia while serving in the U.S. Pacific Command as a political-military affairs analyst from 1978 to 1982. The following year he attended the National University of Singapore, where he studied advanced Chinese and traveled in China and Southeast Asia. He next worked for the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, developing counterintelligence programs to protect emerging defense technologies from foreign espionage. In addition, for the Army Intelligence and Security Command, he managed programs to gather foreign intelligence.

From 1988 to 1990, Chairman Wortzel was Assistant Army Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in China. After assignments as an Army strategist and managing Army intelligence officers, he returned to China in 1995 as the Army Attaché. In December 1997, he became a faculty member of the U.S. Army War College. He retired from the Army as a colonel.

Chairman Wortzel's books include *Class in China: Stratification in a Classless Society* (Greenwood Press, 1987), *China's Military Modernization: International Implications* (Greenwood, 1988), *The Chinese Armed Forces in the 21st Century* (Carlisle, PA, 1999), and *Dictionary of Contemporary Chinese Military History* (Greenwood, 1999). He regularly publishes articles on Asian security matters.

A graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College and the U.S. Army War College, Chairman Wortzel earned his B.A. from Columbus College, Georgia, and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Hawaii. He and his wife, Christine, have two married sons and two grandchildren.

#### **Carolyn Bartholomew, Vice Chairman**

Vice Chairman Carolyn Bartholomew was reappointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission on December 17, 2005, by House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2007. Ms. Bartholomew was unanimously elected as the Commission's Vice Chairman on December 21, 2005 for the 2005-2006 Report Cycle.

Vice Chairman Bartholomew worked at senior levels in the U.S. Congress, serving as long-term Counsel, Legislative Director, and most recently, Chief of Staff, to U.S. House of Representatives Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi. She also served as a Professional Staff Member on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Previously, she was a legislative assistant to then-U.S. Representative Bill Richardson.

In these positions, Commissioner Bartholomew was integrally involved in developing U.S. policies on international affairs and security matters. She has particular expertise in U.S.-China relations, focused primarily on trade, human rights, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Commissioner Bartholomew was a lead staff on legislation to establish the Department of Homeland Security and led efforts in the establishment and funding of global AIDS programs and the promotion of human rights and democratization in countries around the world. Commissioner Bartholomew was a member of the first Presidential Delegation to Africa to Investigate the Impact of HIV/AIDS on Children; and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations Congressional Staff Roundtable on Asian Political and Security issues. In addition to U.S.-China relations, her areas of expertise include terrorism, trade, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, human rights, U.S. foreign assistance programs, and international environmental issues.

She received her B.A. from the University of Minnesota, an M.A. in anthropology from Duke University, and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the State Bar of California.

#### **George Becker**

Commissioner George Becker was reappointed for a third term to the U.S.-China Economic & Security Review Commission by Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi on December 17, 2005 for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2007. He previously served on the Commission as a member beginning February 2001 through December 2005.

A second-generation steelworker, Commissioner Becker grew up across the street from Granite City Steel in Illinois, where he went to work with an open-hearth labor gang at age fifteen during the summer of 1944. From that beginning, Commissioner Becker rose through the ranks until being elected in 1993 and again in 1997

for two terms as the sixth international president of the United Steelworkers of America (USWA), representing 750,000 industrial workers in the U.S. and Canada.

Prior to being named to the Commission, Commissioner Becker completed a congressional appointment on the U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission in 2000. He also served appointments during the Clinton administration to the President's Export Council and the U.S. Trade and Environmental Policy Advisory Committee. As an AFL-CIO vice president and executive council member, Commissioner Becker chaired the national labor federation's powerful Economic Policy Committee. He was a leader in the 1995 revitalization of the AFL-CIO that elected John Sweeney as the current president.

Commissioner Becker was elected two terms in 1985 and 1989 as the USWA's international vice president for administration. While vice president, he headed the union's organizing program and the Aluminum Industry Conference for collective bargaining. Among several corporate campaigns he led involving major labor disputes, the best known was against Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. that achieved the historic firing of 1,300 permanent scab replacement workers and the return to work of 1,600 steelworkers after a twenty-month lockout that ended in 1992.

His working class background includes employment as a crane operator at General Steel Castings and an assembler at General Motors' Fisher Body plant in St. Louis. After serving in the Marine Corps, Commissioner Becker became active in the USWA while an inspector at Dow Chemical's aluminum rolling mill in Madison, IL., where he was elected as the Local 4804 president. He was appointed a USWA staff representative in 1965, negotiating labor contracts and developing a reputation as an expert on occupational health issues. His interest in job safety took him to the union's Pittsburgh headquarters as a technician in the Safety and Health Dept.

He helped establish some of the first national health standards adopted by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration for workers exposed to lead, arsenic, and other toxic substances.

Commissioner Becker's USWA presidency has been marked by many major achievements, including a major restructuring of the USWA's regional districts and executive board; mergers of the 98,000-member United Rubber Workers in 1995 and the 40,000-member Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers in 1997; plus a successful twenty-eight-month worldwide campaign for a labor agreement and the return to work of 6,000 permanently terminated workers at Bridgestone/Firestone Corp.

He served as the executive committee member of the Geneva-based International Metalworkers Federation and chairman of the world rubber council of the International Federation of Chemical, Energy, Mine and General Workers' Unions in Brussels.

### **Daniel A. Blumenthal**

Commissioner Daniel A. Blumenthal was appointed by Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2007.

Daniel Blumenthal is a Resident Fellow in Asian Studies at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research. He is also president of Strategic Education and Research International, Inc., and a member of the Academic Advisory Group of the Congressional U.S.-China Work Group.

Previously, Mr. Blumenthal was senior director for China, Taiwan, and Mongolia in the Office of the Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs from March 2004-November 2004 during the first George W. Bush administration. He developed and implemented defense policy toward China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Mongolia, during which time he received the Office of Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service. From January 2002-March 2004, he was County Director for China, Taiwan and Hong Kong in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs.

Before his service at the Department of Defense, Mr. Blumenthal was an Associate Attorney, Corporate and Asia Practice Groups at Kelley Drye & Warren L.L.P. Earlier, he was an Editorial and Research Assistant at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

Mr. Blumenthal received an MA in International Relations and International Economics from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, and a J.D. from the Duke University School of Law in 2000.

Commissioner Blumenthal has written extensively on national security issues. He resides in Washington, DC with his wife and two children.

#### **Peter T. R. Brookes**

Commissioner Brookes was appointed by Speaker J. Dennis Hastert on January 25, 2006 for a term expiring December 31, 2007.

Peter Brookes is Senior Fellow for National Security Affairs at The Heritage Foundation. In addition, he is a weekly columnist on foreign policy, defense and trade issues for the New York Post. He frequently appears on TV and radio including FOX, CNN, MSNBC, CNBC, NPR and BBC. He is the author of: *A Devil's Triangle: Terrorism, Weapons of Mass Destruction and Rogue States*.

Before coming to Heritage, Mr. Brookes served in the George W. Bush administration as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Asian and Pacific Affairs, where he was responsible for the development, planning, guidance and oversight of U.S. security and defense policy for 38 countries and 5 bilateral defense alliances in the Asia-Pacific region.

Prior to joining the Bush administration, Commissioner Brookes worked as a Professional Staff Member with the Republican staff of the Committee on International Relations in the U.S. House of Representatives focusing on East and South Asian affairs. He also served with the CIA's Directorate of Operations, focusing on global political affairs, arms control, and weapons proliferation. Just prior to his CIA service, he worked on international economic issues for the State Department at the United Nations, in the private sector in the defense industry and on active duty in the U.S. Navy.

Commissioner Brookes is currently pursuing a Doctorate at Georgetown University. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Acad-

emy (B.S., Engineering); the Defense Language Institute (Diploma, Russian); the Naval War College (Diploma, National Security and Strategic Studies); and the Johns Hopkins University (M.A., American Government).

### **Hon. C. Richard D'Amato**

Commissioner C. Richard D'Amato was reappointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission by Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid on October 5, 2005, for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2007. He served as the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Commission beginning in April 2001, and was unanimously approved on July 19, 2004, to serve as the Commission Chairman for the 2004-2005 report cycle. He is an attorney, and a member of the Maryland and D.C. bars. He is a former delegate to the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, (1998-2002), representing the Annapolis, Maryland, region, and served on the Appropriations Committee. He is also a retired captain in the United States Navy Reserve, served two tours of duty in the Vietnam theatre aboard the USS KING (DLG-10), and three years as an Assistant Professor of Government at the U.S. Naval Academy. He served on the Trade Deficit Review Commission, a Congressional advisory body, as a member from 1999-2000.

From 1988-98, Commissioner D'Amato was the Democratic Counsel for the Committee on Appropriations of the United States Senate. He was responsible for coordinating and managing the annual appropriations bills and other legislation on policy and funding of U.S. defense, foreign policy, trade and intelligence matters. He served from 1980-88 as senior foreign policy and defense advisor to the Democratic Senate leader, Senator Robert C. Byrd. In this position, he supervised work on major foreign policy, national security and trade policies, and was the co-director for the Senate Arms Control Observer Group, a bipartisan leadership organization, which served as liaison with the White House on all arms control negotiations with the Soviet Union. He also served on the Senate delegation to the Kyoto negotiations on Global Warming.

Commissioner D'Amato began his career as Legislative Director for Congressman James Jeffords (Ind.-VT) from 1975-78, and then as Chief of Staff for Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D-CT) until 1980.

He has been active in other aspects of public service, having founded the annual Taste-of-the-Nation dinners in Annapolis as part of the nationwide "Share Our Strength" hunger relief organization, and created an annual scholarship for college bound African-American women in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He currently serves on the boards of the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra, Annapolis Maritime Museum, The Johns Hopkins Cuba Exchange Program, and the University of Oxford Congressional Visitors program.

Commissioner D'Amato received his B.A. (cum laude) from Cornell University in 1964, and served on the Cornell Board of Trustee's Advisory Council. He received his M.A. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in Boston in 1967, and received his legal education from Harvard Law School and from the Georgetown University Law Center (JD, 1980). He resides in Annapolis with his wife, Dee.

### **Thomas Donnelly**

Commissioner Thomas Donnelly was appointed by Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2006.

Thomas Donnelly is a senior adviser in the international security program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and editor of *Armed Forces Journal*. He is also president of Strategic Education Associates. He writes about himself in the third person only reluctantly.

He has been a writer and expert on strategy and military affairs for nearly three decades. His career as a journalist began in 1978 at the *Journal* newspapers in the Washington, D.C. suburbs. Soon after, he joined the staff of *Army Times* and, in 1984, helped to create *Defense News*, assuming the post of deputy editor as well as writing about land warfare, defense strategy and politics. In 1987 he returned to *Army Times* as editor, a position he held through 1993. This was a period of great ferment in the U.S. military and in U.S. defense policy. It spanned the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of the Soviet Union, the invasion of Panama, the Persian Gulf War of 1991 and the failed mission to Somalia in 1993; it also saw a significant reduction in U.S. armed forces and the beginnings of a fundamental reorientation of American national security strategy. In addition to directing the paper's coverage of these issues, Donnelly wrote major pieces on all of them.

In 1994, he was granted a master's degree in international relations from Johns Hopkins Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies. After a brief stint as executive editor of *The National Interest*, Donnelly joined the staff of the House Armed Services Committee as director of the policy group. In addition to crafting major pieces of legislation such as the laws directing the conduct of the 1997 and 2001 Quadrennial Defense reviews, the reform of the Defense Department's readiness reporting system and a variety of initiatives aimed at better understanding the emerging challenge presented by the People's Republic of China, Donnelly directed the committee's oversight efforts, notably regarding military readiness, operations in the Balkans and the Khobar Towers terrorist bombing of 1996.

In 1999, he joined the Project for the New American Century as deputy executive director. His major effort at the Project was serving as the principal author of *Rebuilding America's Defenses: Strategy, Forces and Resources for a New Century*. Donnelly came to the American Enterprise Institute in October 2002, after brief service as director of strategic initiatives for the Lockheed Martin Corporation. In addition to his think-tank work, Donnelly is president of Strategic Education Associates, a private consulting firm that conducts seminars and leadership development exercises for business executives and public officials. In 2004, he served as professor of national security studies at the Maxwell School of Public Administration and Syracuse University and in 2005 was nominated by Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist to serve a two-year term on the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, an advisory panel to the Congress. He became editor of *Armed Forces Journal* in September 2005.

At CSIS, he works on a wide variety of defense and national security issues, including projects on special operations forces, the domestic politics of defense as well as the Center's signature "Beyond Goldwater-Nichols" program. In addition, he will continue to work on his forthcoming book, *Sources of American Conduct: The Strategic Culture of the United States*.

Thomas Donnelly is author or co-author of four books, including *The Military We Need: Defense Requirements of the Bush Doctrine*, published in 2005; *Operation Iraqi Freedom: A Strategic Assessment*, published in 2003; *Operation Just Cause: The Storming of Panama, the definitive history of the 1989 invasion*; *Clash of Chariots: A History of Armored Warfare*; and the forthcoming *Sources of American Conduct: A Strategic History of the United States*. He has contributed essays to *Getting Ready for a Nuclear Iran*, a study by the Nonproliferation Policy Education Center; *The Obligations of Empire: United States' Grand Strategy for a New Century*, edited by James Hentz and published in 2003 by the University Press of Kentucky, and *Strategic Surprise: U.S.-China Relations in the Early Twenty-first Century*, published in 2003 by the Naval War College Press. His pieces also have appeared in *Foreign Affairs*, *The National Interest*, *The Weekly Standard*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *The Financial Times* and numerous other publications in the United States and abroad. He also has provided defense and national security commentary on television and radio to a huge variety of stations ranging from the major American networks, PBS and NPR to Al Jazeera. He lives in Bethesda, Maryland with his wife and two sons.

### **Kerri Houston**

Commissioner Houston was appointed by Speaker J. Dennis Hastert on January 25, 2006 for a term expiring December 31, 2007.

Often referred to as "a force of nature" by fellow free market activists, Kerri Houston is a public policy analyst and expert in media, marketing and external relations for public policy institutes.

Ms. Houston is vice president of policy for Frontiers of Freedom ([www.FF.org](http://www.FF.org)), advocating for free market solutions to a wide range of public policy reforms, political and national defense issues. She also serves as director of Frontiers' Lawsuit Abuse Reform Coalition and Project for the American Healthcare Century.

Ms. Houston is also President and CEO of Tacita Strategies Group LLC, a public affairs and consulting firm specializing in issue advocacy and stakeholder management.

Prior to joining Frontiers of Freedom, Ms. Houston was national field director for the American Conservative Union, executive director of State Policy Network, a member organization of free market state-based think tanks, and director of external affairs for the Institute for Policy Innovation.

Her responsibilities have included all facets of marketing, policy research and issue advocacy, as well as acting as liaison to Capitol Hill, the White House, state legislators, and other free market policy centers both in the U.S. and in Europe.

A strong proponent of individual and economic liberty, federalism, free trade and free markets, Ms. Houston lectures on pub-

lic policy and legislative issues and the proper role of government in civil society. She has worked internationally as a trainer for the International Republican Institute.

She is a Brain Trust columnist for *Investor's Business Daily*, and her opinion/editorials have appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Times*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *Forbes magazine*, *Intellectual Ammunition*, and numerous other print, internet outlets and institutional publications throughout the country. She is a guest on talk radio nationwide, and a regular guest co-host on USA Radio Network's "Point of View." Ms. Houston is also a round-table host of the TCI Cable program "America Outside the Beltway," was a frequent guest on Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher and has appeared on Fox, MSNBC and CNBC.

She is a member of the National Paycheck Protection Working Group, Director of Coalitions for the Republican Liberty Caucus, co-Chairman of Legislative Affairs for the North Texas Technology Council, and advisor to the Texas Conservative Coalition's Health and Human Services Task Force. She serves on the Board of Directors for GOPUSA.com, Citizen Outreach and sits on the Board of Advisors for The Project for California's Future.

She was also nominated to serve on the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security.

Well known for her dedication to presenting public policy in a way that will "pass the dinner table test," Ms. Houston brings a sharp wit and a practical spin to her particular areas of expertise in fiscal, cultural and international policy.

#### **Hon. Patrick A. Mulloy**

Commissioner Patrick A. Mulloy was reappointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission on January 1, 2005, by the Senate Democratic Leader to a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2006. Commissioner Mulloy previously served as a member from April 2001 to January 1, 2005.

Prior to assuming his current responsibilities, Commissioner Mulloy was nominated by President Clinton and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as Assistant Secretary for Market Access and Compliance in the Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, where he served from 1998 to 2001. In that position, Commissioner Mulloy directed a trade policy unit of over two hundred international trade specialists, which focused worldwide on removing foreign barriers to U.S. exports and on ensuring that foreign countries comply with trade agreements negotiated with the United States. This latter activity involved discussions both in the World Trade Organization (WTO) and with individual governments. He traveled extensively, meeting with foreign leaders to advance market-opening programs in the European Union, Eastern Europe, China, India, Taiwan, Indonesia, Canada, and Central and South America. He was also appointed by President Clinton to serve as a member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Prior to his employment as Assistant Secretary, Commissioner Mulloy served fifteen years in various senior positions on the staff of the U.S. Senate Banking Committee, including Chief International Counsel and General Counsel. In those positions, he con-

tributed to much of the international trade and finance legislation formulated by the Committee such as the Foreign Bank Supervision Enhancement Act of 1991, the Export Enhancement Act of 1992, the Defense Production Act Amendments of 1994, and titles of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 dealing with foreign bribery, exchange rates, international debt, and export controls.

Before coming to the Senate, Commissioner Mulloy served as a senior attorney in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he directed a staff of lawyers and economists, which supervised participation by U.S. oil companies in the Paris-based International Energy Agency (IEA). In earlier duties at the Justice Department, he represented the United States in a variety of cases related to Federal environmental laws, including criminal and civil enforcement actions in various U.S. District Courts, several Circuit Courts of Appeal, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Commissioner Mulloy began his public service career as a Foreign Service Officer at the U.S. Department of State, where he served in the Office of U.N. Political Affairs, the Office of International Environmental and Oceans Affairs, and as Vice Consul in the U.S. Consulate General in Montreal, Canada.

Commissioner Mulloy, a native of Kingston, Pennsylvania, holds an LL.M. from Harvard University Law School, a J.D. from George Washington University Law School, an M.A. from the University of Notre Dame, and a B.A. from King's College.

He presently serves as the Washington Representative of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and as an adjunct professor of international trade law at the law schools of both Catholic University and George Mason University. He periodically lectures on trade and financial matters at the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

He resides in Alexandria, Virginia, with his wife, Marjorie, and they have three children.

#### **Hon. William A. Reinsch**

Commissioner William A. Reinsch was reappointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission by Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid on October 5, 2005, for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2007.

On April 2, 2001, Commissioner Reinsch joined the National Foreign Trade Council as President. The council, founded in 1914, is the only business organization dedicated solely to trade policy, export finance, international tax, and human resource issues. The organization represents over 300 companies through its offices in New York and Washington, D.C.

Prior to joining the National Foreign Trade Council, Reinsch served as Under Secretary for Export Administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce. As head of the Bureau of Export Administration (subsequently renamed the Bureau of Industry and Security), he was charged with administering and enforcing the export control policies of the U.S. government, as well as its anti-boycott laws. In addition, the bureau is part of an interagency team helping Russia and other newly emerging nations develop effective export control systems and convert their defense industries to civilian

production. Through its Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, the bureau is also responsible for monitoring and protecting the health of U.S. industries critical to our national security and defense industrial base and assisting in domestic defense conversion efforts. Major accomplishments during his tenure included: refocusing controls in light of economic globalization, most notably on high-performance computers, microprocessors, encryption, and other items; the first complete revision of the Export Administration regulations in over forty years; revising the interagency process for reviewing applications; and permitting electronic filing of applications over the Internet.

From 1991 through 1993, Commissioner Reinsch was a senior Legislative Assistant to Senator John D. Rockefeller IV, responsible for the senator's work on trade, international economic policy, foreign affairs, and defense. He also provided staff support for Senator Rockefeller's related efforts on the Finance Committee and the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee.

From 1977 to 1991, Commissioner Reinsch served on the staff of the late Senator John Heinz as Chief Legislative Assistant, focusing on foreign trade and competitiveness policy issues. During that period, Senator Heinz was either Chairman or ranking minority member of the Banking Committee's Subcommittee on International Finance. He was also a member of the International Trade Subcommittee of the Finance Committee. Commissioner Reinsch provided staff support for the Senator on both subcommittees, which included participation in five revisions of the Export Administration Act and work on four major trade bills. Prior to 1977, Commissioner Reinsch was a Legislative Assistant to Representatives Richard Ottinger and Gilbert Gude, acting Staff Director of the House Environmental Study Conference, and a teacher in Maryland.

During his tenure as Under Secretary, Commissioner Reinsch delivered more than two hundred speeches and testified fifty-three times before various committees of Congress. His publications include "Why China Matters to the Health of the U.S. Economy," in *Economics and National Security: The Case of China*, 2002; "The Role and Effectiveness of U.S. Export Control Policy in the Age of Globalization," *The Monitor* (Center for International Trade and Security, spring 2000); "Export Controls in the Age of Globalization," *The Monitor* (Center for International Trade and Security, summer 1999); "Should Uncle Sam Control U.S. Technology Exports?" *Insight Magazine*, September 8, 1997; "Encryption Policy Strikes a Balance," *Journal of Commerce*, March 5, 1997; "Building a New Economic Relationship with Japan," in I.M. Destler and Yankelovich, D., eds., *Beyond the Beltway: Engaging the Public in U.S. Foreign Policy*, W.W. Norton, April 1994.

In addition to his legislative work, Commissioner Reinsch served as an adjunct associate professor at the University of Maryland University College Graduate School of Management and Technology, teaching a course in international trade and trade policy. He is also a member of the Boards of the Middle East Institute and of the Executive Council on Diplomacy.

Commissioner Reinsch received a B.A. degree in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins University and an M.A. degree

from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He is married with two children and lives in Bethesda, Maryland.

#### **Hon. Fred Thompson**

Commissioner Fred Thompson was appointed by Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2006. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1994 where he served as Chairman of the Committee on Governmental Affairs from 1997 until 2002. He also served on the Senate Finance Committee and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. He chose not to run for re-election in 2002.

Prior to his election, Thompson maintained law offices in Nashville and Washington. Earlier in his career, he served as an Assistant United States Attorney in Tennessee. In 1973, he was appointed by Senator Howard Baker to serve as Minority Counsel to the Senate Watergate Committee where Thompson first gained national attention. He detailed his Watergate experience in his Watergate memoir, *At That Point in Time*. In 1974, after the Watergate hearings concluded, Thompson returned to the practice of law.

Thompson first appeared on screen in the film "Marie" in 1985, portraying himself in the fact-based story of a high-profile public corruption case he handled in Tennessee. Since then, he has appeared in numerous movies and television programs, including the features "In the Line of Fire," "Die Hard II," and "The Hunt for Red October," and the television series "China Beach," "Wiseguy," and "Matlock." He is a regular on the long-running TV drama, "Law & Order," and is a Special Program Host & Senior Analyst for ABC News Radio.

Thompson is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, a member of the U.S.-China Economic & Security Review Commission and a Visiting Fellow with the American Enterprise Institute. He is the Chairman of the Arms Control & Nonproliferation Advisory Board.

Thompson is a native of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. He attended Memphis State University, where he earned an undergraduate degree in philosophy and political science. He received his law degree from Vanderbilt University.

Thompson lives in Nashville, Tennessee and Washington, D.C. with his wife Jeri. He has two sons, one daughter, and five grandchildren.

#### **Michael R. Wessel**

Commissioner Michael R. Wessel was re-appointed to the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission by House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi on January 4, 2005, for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2006. He has served on the Commission since April 2001.

Commissioner Wessel is President of The Wessel Group Inc., a public affairs consulting firm offering expertise in government, politics, and international affairs. He was formerly the Executive Vice President at the Downey McGrath Group, Inc. He served on the staff of House Democratic Leader Richard A. Gephardt for more than twenty years, leaving his position as General Counsel in

March 1998. In addition to his duties as General Counsel, Commissioner Wessel was Mr. Gephardt's chief policy advisor, strategist, and negotiator. He was responsible for the development, coordination, management, and implementation of the Democratic Leader's overall policy and political objectives, with specific responsibility for international trade, finance, economics, labor, and taxation.

During his more than twenty years on Capitol Hill, Commissioner Wessel served in a number of positions: He was Mr. Gephardt's principal Ways and Means aide, where he developed and implemented numerous tax and trade policy initiatives. He participated in the enactment of every major trade policy initiative from 1978 to his departure in 1998. In the late 1980s, he was the Executive Director of the House Trade and Competitiveness Task Force, where he was responsible for the Democrats' trade and competitiveness agenda as well as overall coordination of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988.

He was intimately involved in the development of comprehensive tax reform legislation in the early 1980s and every major tax bill during his tenure. Beginning in 1989, he became the principal advisor to the Democratic Leadership on economic policy matters and served as tax policy coordinator to the 1990 budget summit. In 1995, he developed the 10 percent Tax Plan, a comprehensive tax reform initiative that would enable roughly four out of five taxpayers to pay no more than a ten percent rate in federal income taxes. It became the principal Democratic tax reform alternative. In 1988, he served as National Issues Director to Gephardt's Presidential campaign. During the 1992 Clinton/Gore campaign, he assisted on a broad range of issues and served as a Senior Policy Advisor to the Clinton/Gore transition office. In 2004 he was a senior policy advisor to the Gephardt for President campaign and later co-chaired the Trade Policy Group for the Kerry-Edwards campaign.

He has coauthored a number of articles with Democratic Leader Gephardt and a book, *An Even Better Place: America in the 21st Century (Public Affairs, 1999)*. Commissioner Wessel has served as a Commissioner on the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission since its creation in 2001. Commissioner Wessel served as a member of the U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission in 1999-2000, a congressionally created commission charged with studying the nature, causes and consequences of the U. S. merchandise trade and current account deficits. He also currently serves as a member on the Board of Directors of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., the world's largest tire company.

Commissioner Wessel holds a B.A. and a J.D. from George Washington University. He is a member of the bar of the District of Columbia and Pennsylvania. He and his wife Andrea have four children.