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GlobalWorks Foundation's TASC Project Co-Hosts First Annual Retreat on Economic and Security Issues in Africa and the Caribbean

On January 16-17, 2004, GlobalWorks Foundation's TASC Project, the Humpty Dumpty Institute (HDI), and Columbia University's Earth Institute hosted the first Annual Retreat on Economic and Security Issues in Africa and the Caribbean, at Columbia University. The Retreat brought together Members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), United Nations Permanent Representatives from Africa and the Caribbean, NGOs and humanitarian organizations, and independent experts in order to explore new and innovative approaches toward longstanding problems affecting these regions. Speakers for this year's event included Ambassador H.E. Nana Effah-Apenteng, of Ghana, H.E. John D. Negroponte, US Ambassador to the UN, Professor Jeffrey Sachs, GlobalWorks Chairman Claude Fontheim and TASC Director Tom Freedman. Congressional Black Caucus Members Elijah E. Cummings, Chairman, (D-MD), Donna M. Christensen, (D-VI), John Conyers, Jr., (D-MI), and Melvin L. Watt, (D-NC) were in attendance. Discussions focused on: health issues and the AIDS crisis; financial burdens of governments; challenges to international investment; peace and security threatened by poverty, economic mismanagement, environmental degradation and natural disasters; post conflict situations and peace management strategies; and cultural needs and diversity. Program sponsors included PhRMA and ChevronTexaco. The TASC Project will build upon momentum generated at the January Retreat by hosting a series of working groups on key topics over the course of the next year.



Congressional Black Caucus Chairman Elijah Cummings speaks with Rev. David Beckmann of Bread for the World and Mrs. Beckmann

GlobalWorks Chairman, Claude Fontheim, with Mr. George Ayittey, President, Free Africa Foundation



US Ambassador to the UN, John Negroponte, speaking with Congressman Mel Watt

GlobalWorks Launches Friends of Rongelap Initiative: An Environmental and Humanitarian Project to Benefit the People of the Marshall Islands

GlobalWorks Foundation is developing the Friends of Rongelap Program, to address unique environment and development challenges faced by Rongelap and surrounding atolls in the Republic of Marshall Islands. Between 1946 and 1958, thermonuclear testing in the region resulted in significant environmental and humanitarian damage, and forced the evacuation of Rongelap. Mayor James Matayoshi of Rongelap and GlobalWorks President Holly Hammonds announced in March that GlobalWorks will work with Rongelap to implement a plan to resettle and sustainably develop their islands, and promote critical environmental, health and humanitarian objectives.

The Trade, Aid and Security Coalition (TASC) is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan project whose purpose is to build innovative partnerships that expand global economic opportunity and security. The TASC Project supports new and effective ideas in foreign economic assistance, rule of law, and foreign trade. Supporters range from humanitarian leaders to executives from Wall Street. The Project attempts to develop substantive solutions that can be brought before decision makers, and implemented on the ground in developing countries. A primary aim is to show that bettering the lives of the poor or underserved significantly improves the prospects for security both domestically and internationally.

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GlobalWorks Foundation is a nonprofit organization established to improve the lives of people in poor communities around the world through projects addressing conditions related to globalization. GlobalWorks brings together nongovernmental organizations and educational institutions, the business community, and social innovators to participate in such civil society projects.

Border Youth Initiative:

Together with The Way of the Heart: The Promotora Institute, GlobalWorks is launching a program to develop, support and train a new generation of leaders committed to improving life along the US-Mexico border. The program will work with young people from border communities seeking advanced or specialized degrees in health care, law or humanitarian fields, who want to pursue non-profit or social entrepreneurial careers along the border.

Border Fellow News:

Maria Gomez-Murphy, President of The Way of the Heart, this year significantly expanded the reach of her organization, which is now operating health clinics on both the US and Mexican sides of the border between Nogales, Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. Ms. Gomez-Murphy, a 2002-2004 GlobalWorks Border Fellow, has continued to focus her organization's efforts on improving the health of individuals and families in this underserved area by using the *promotora* peer-to-peer model. Key challenges that The Way of the Heart and its *promotoras* address are: alcoholism and substance abuse, mental illness, domestic violence, improved services for women, diabetes and cancer. The Way of the Heart takes a special interest in working to empower and inform young people, especially adolescent girls, living in the border region.

Upcoming Event, Fall 2004, New York City:

GlobalWorks Foundation and New York University Law School will host a Fall 2004 Symposium on Development and Rule of Law, and a reception in honor of global public interest lawyers. This event will build on the previous successful collaborations between GlobalWorks and NYU. The symposium will highlight key issues and new approaches in this important area, and will also raise money for young lawyers working on critical social and environmental challenges in poor areas globally. A separate mailing will provide dates, details, and additional information on the symposium and reception.

Staff and Network News

■ *Samuel P. Fried*, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of Limited Brands and a member of the GlobalWorks Foundation Board of Advisors, and *Walter Dellinger*, the Douglass B. Maggs Professor of Law at Duke University and Partner at O'Melveny & Myers, published an article entitled "Promoting the Rule of Law Abroad: How the US Legal and Business Communities Can Help" in the Summer 2003 issue of *World Policy Journal*. The article promotes a more active and visible role for the US legal and business communities in the advancement of the rule of law abroad, and cites the GlobalWorks – NYU Law School collaboration as a positive example. The business and legal communities are uniquely situated, the authors argue, to strengthen democracy and rule of law in the countries in which they operate.

■ *Elizabeth Anne (Libby) Bingham* has joined GlobalWorks Foundation as Coordinator of the TASC Project.

■ *Maria Gomez-Murphy*, President and CEO of The Way of the Heart: The Promotora Institute, was the recipient of the 2003 Rachel's Well Founder's Award and was named 2004 "Top Latina" for health and sciences by *Hispanic Magazine*. *Holly Hammonds*, President of GlobalWorks Foundation, visited The Way of the Heart: The Promotora Institute's new Mexican clinic in January, and Congressman Raul Grijalva (D-AZ) visited the Institute's Nogales headquarters to honor Maria and the *Promotoras*.

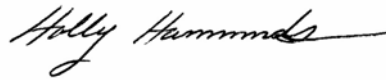
■ *Eric Biel*, Member of the GlobalWorks Foundation Board of Advisors, joined Human Rights First (formerly Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights) in 2003.

From the Chairman and President:

GlobalWorks Foundation has continued to grow over the last twelve months, expanding initiatives on rule of law, and on trade, aid and security, and deepening regional and grassroots engagement especially along the US-Mexican border. GlobalWorks is also launching several critical new projects, including an exciting environmental and humanitarian program together with the people of Rongelap in the Marshall Islands, who want to resettle and sustainably develop the lands from which they had to be evacuated as a result of thermonuclear weapons testing in the 1950s. Through all of its initiatives, GlobalWorks continues to focus on bringing together a broad range of allies, from non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, governments, businesses, and local communities, in support of practical projects and innovators on the ground in poor regions, as well as to rethink and develop new approaches to global development, environmental and humanitarian challenges, making use of both public and private resources and ideas. Thank you for your ongoing interest and support.



Claude Fontheim
Chairman



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