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INTRODUCTION: FEDERAL STATES IN THE BROADER WORLD

*Hiram Chodosh**

Hello. My name is Mr. Chodosh. I am the Director of the Frederick Cox International Law Center here at the law school, and Mr. King has graciously asked me to moderate this panel, which is entitled Federal States in the Broader World, current and prospective roles of provinces and states in foreign affairs and in the negotiation and implementation of trade agreements and handling of trade disputes. Today we have two phenomenal speakers. I would like to introduce them briefly.

With us is our good friend, Mr. Schaefer, who will be an Associate Professor in July. Congratulations on your tenure. Mr. Schaefer has been a consistent participant and speaker of the conference and we are happy to have him back. He has his B.A. from the University of Chicago in Economics. He has about every law degree that the University of Michigan offers. He teaches in the trade and business transactions area. He has had some rather remarkable experience in public service. Between 1993 and 1995, he served as a consultant to the National Governor's Association during the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Rounds. More recently, he has served in the Clinton Administration as the Director of International Economic Affairs on World Trade Organization (WTO) and sanctions policy.

Today Mr. Anderson will be speaking. I am incredibly impressed with the expertise that Mr. Anderson has accumulated in such a wide array of subject matter. I am also impressed by the great variety of high-level public service appointments that Mr. Anderson has filled. He is currently the Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs at the Privy Council Office. He has also been involved in everything from Indian affairs to treasury, to provincial relations, external affairs, Western Europe oil and gas, energy, economic development, foreign affairs, international trade. Is there anything you have not done? It appears not. He is also exquisitely well educated. He attended Queens University, received an M. Litt. from Oxford and received

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his diploma from Ecole Nationale D' Administration. He also served as a Fellow at Harvard in the early to mid 1990's. Mr. Anderson, We are pleased to have you.

Without further ado, it is my honor to present Mr. Schaefer and Mr. Anderson. Thank you. .