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International Business Summit Scheduled In Tampa, Florida May 18 & 19, 2007

Tampa, FL USA. Through the efforts of nine Tampa Bay Area Chamber's of Commerce the International Business Summit will be held the weekend of May 18th, 2007. The Summit will begin on Friday, May 18th with a series of Educational Workshops at the Embassy Suites on the USF Campus. These workshops will focus on the subject of international business and trade as well as presenting perspectives on cultural diversity and international business strategies, all with the idea of assisting companies who wish to expand into the international marketplace. Following the workshops an International Panel will present information on current international trade along with regional and global trade and commerce information.

On Saturday May 19th, a Business Expo will be held at the USF Sun Dome with over 150 businesses and corporations expected to participate. Various ethnic restaurants and caterers will also be represented at the Expo, with opportunities to purchase authentic food from around the world.

The International Business Summit will culminate on Saturday evening with a Cultural Celebration Dinner and Awards at the Embassy Suites on USF Campus with featured keynote speaker, Dr. Kiran Patel. Dr. Patel will share his story and discuss how events like the International Business Summit can impact the Tampa Bay business community. The evening will be rounded out by the presentation of the Humanitarian and Excellence in International Business awards will be presented as well as multi-cultural musicians and dancers will entertain the dinner guests.

Tickets for the Friday Workshops, Lunch and International Panel are \$35.00 per person. Tickets for the Saturday Cultural Celebration Dinner are \$75.00 per person. Exhibitor booths are still available for the Business Expo on Saturday and vary in price. The Business Expo at the USF Sun Dome is open to the public at no charge for admission

Participating Chambers of Commerce: Brazil Tampa Chamber, British American Business Council, Caribbean American Chamber of Tampa Bay, Chinese Chamber of Tampa Bay, French American Business Council of West Florida, Greater Tampa Chamber, Indo-US Chamber, Philippine American Chamber and the Tampa Bay Hispanic Chamber.