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University of St. Thomas Center for International Studies and the Houston Taipei Society Present Symposium on Taiwan and Global Affairs

WHAT: Symposium on Taiwan and Global Affairs featuring three speakers. Cosponsored by the University of St. Thomas and the Houston Taipei Society.

WHEN: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, 2006

WHERE: Crooker Center, Ahern Room, 3909 Graustark

WHO: *Dr. Thomas Bellows*, professor, Department of Political Science and Geography, University of Texas at San Antonio, "The Development of modern Taiwan: Economic and Political Achievements"

Dr. William Cunningham, professor emeritus, Center for International Studies, University of St. Thomas, "Historical Aspects of US, Taiwan, and China Relations prior to 1979"

Dr. Hans Stockton, associate professor, Center for International Studies, University of St. Thomas, "Contemporary Global Relations of Taiwan."

BACKGROUND: Ongoing events indicate that the Post-Cold War period is still plagued by Cold War conflicts. Such conflicts disrupt global security and increase pressures for American intervention. One simmering, yet potentially explosive conflict revolves around the Taiwan issue. This symposium introduces key aspects of the Taipei-Beijing struggle and the United State's role in the conflict.

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COST: Free and open to the public.

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