Seminar on The Changing Political and Economic Environment of the Korean Peninsula

The Center for Korean Research, UBC and The Korea Economic Institute, Washington, DC Organizer: Professor Kyung-Ae Park

Friday, October 26, 2007 3:00-5:45 pm C.K. Choi Building Seminar Room #129



Opening Remarks: Hon. Nyum Jin, Former Deputy Prime Minister, South Korea

Keynote Speaker: **Hon. Ted Lipman**, Canadian Ambassador to South and North Korea "Current Developments on the Korean Peninsula: A Canadian Perspective"

Panel 1: Inter-Korean Summit and the Changing Political Environment of the Two Koreas

Chair: Professor Kyung-Ae Park, UBC

Presenters:

"U.S.-ROK Alliance and Differing U.S. and ROK Approaches," Mr. David Straub, Stanford University

"Summit Politics and Inter-Korean Relations," Professor Kyung-Ae Park, UBC

"Progress at the Six Party Talks and the North Korean Nuclear Issue," **Dr. Balbina Hwang**, Senior Special Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific, Department of State, USA

Panel 2: Issues of FTAs between South Korea and North America and the Changing Economic Environment of the Two Koreas

Chair: Professor Brian Job, UBC

Presenters:

"Korea-Canada Free Trade Agreement and Beyond," Mr. Soontaik Hwang, Minister, Embassy of South Korea, Canada

"Korea-U.S. Free Trade Agreement: Its Significance and Challenges Ahead," **Mr. Seok-Young Choi**, Minister, Embassy of South Korea, USA

"The Future of the Kaesong Industrial Complex and Inter-Korean Economic Cooperation," **Mr. Scott Rembrandt**, Korea Economic Institute, Washington, DC

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