Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights
"The Future of Human Rights"

Samuel Dash

Tuesday, April 8, 2008, 9:00 a.m. - 4:35 p.m.

All events except lunch will be held at:
Georgetown University Law Center
McDonough Hall – Hart Auditorium
600 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001
Please use the F Street entrance.

Lunch will be held at:
Georgetown University Law Center
Gewirz Student Center – 12th Floor
120 F Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001
Please use the Tower Green entrance.

SCHEDULE:
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.
Welcome and Introductory Remarks
William F. Schulz, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
Jane E. Stromseth, Professor of Law and Director, Human Rights Institute, Georgetown
University Law Center
John D. Podesta, President, Center for American Progress, and Distinguished Visitor from Practice, Georgetown University Law Center

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Keynote Address
Madeleine Albright, Principal, The Albright Group, Mortara Distinguished Professor of Diplomacy, Georgetown University, and former U.S. Secretary of State
Introduction: John D. Podesta, President, Center for American Progress and Distinguished Visitor from Practice, Georgetown University Law Center
10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Panel: "How the U.S. Should Deal with Human Rights Abuses of Allies and Partners"
Moderator: Brian Katulis, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
Steve Coll, President and CEO, New America Foundation
James Sasser, former U.S. Ambassador to China
John Shattuck, CEO, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; former Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and former U.S. Ambassador to the Czech Republic
Jennifer L. Windsor, Executive Director, Freedom House

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.
Luncheon Discussion
William F. Schulz, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
Joseph Zogby, Democratic Chief Counsel, U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Keynote Address
Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Chief Prosecutor, International Criminal Court
Introduction: Richard Goldstone, former Justice, Constitutional Court of South Africa and Distinguished Visitor from the Judiciary, Georgetown University Law Center

2:35 – 4:00 p.m.
Panel: "Introducing Social and Economic Rights into U.S. Policy"
Moderator: Jane E. Stromseth, Professor of Law and Faculty Director, Human Rights Institute, Georgetown University Law Center
Raymond C. Offenheiser, President, Oxfam America
Leonard Rubenstein, President, Physicians for Human Rights
Meg Roggensack, Policy Director, Free the Slaves
Eric P. Schwartz, Executive Director, Connect US

4:05 – 4:35 p.m.
Tribute to Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.)

NOTE:
This is the third annual Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights. It is sponsored by the Human Rights Institute at Georgetown Law and the Center for American Progress.

The annual Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights was established by Samuel Dash’s family and friends, Georgetown Law alumni and the law firm of Cozen O’Connor to honor Dash’s contributions to international human rights and domestic civil rights.

Dash, who joined the Georgetown Law faculty in 1965, and was on the board of the International League of Human Rights, traversed the globe in pursuit of justice. He led a human rights mission to Northern Ireland to investigate the 1972 "Bloody Sunday" incident, and traveled to the Soviet
Union and Chile. In 1985, he was the first American to visit Nelson Mandela in prison and became involved in mediation efforts that eventually led to Mandela's release.

Dash also served as chief counsel of the Senate Watergate Committee’s investigation into the Nixon administration’s involvement in the Democratic National Committee break-in, which ultimately led to President Nixon’s resignation.

Dash died in 2004.