



## FORMER US NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR ANTHONY LAKE TO SPEAK ON TERRORISM AT CONFERENCE IN MALAYSIA

**HONOLULU (April 6, 2002)** — **Anthony Lake**, former national security advisor to President Bill Clinton, will speak on the war on terrorism at the Pacific Basin Economic Council's (PBEC) 35th International General Meeting (IGM) on Tuesday, May 7, 2002 in Kuala Lumpur.

Dr. Lake will be among leading business executives, heads of government, and governmental ministers from throughout Asia, the Pacific, and the Americas who will gather at the IGM in Kuala Lumpur to discuss international economic and trade issues. The conference — focusing on the theme of “Striving for Growth in a Challenging Environment” — will be held May 3-7.

The Honorable Dato’ Seri **Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad**, Prime Minister of Malaysia, and Her Excellency **Gloria Macapagal Arroyo**, President of the Philippines, will deliver addresses at the conference.

Dr. Lake will be speaking in the plenary session “*The War on Terrorism*,” which will examine the economic implications and challenges of conducting the ongoing global campaign against terrorism. He will be joined by Philippine Secretary of National Defense **Angelo T. Reyes** and Malaysian Minister of Defense Y.B. Dato Seri **Mohd Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak**.

President Clinton has said of Dr. Lake, “In moments of crisis, in times of triumph, he has always been at my side.” Dr. Lake served as national security advisor from 1993 to 1996, during which time he strategized and implemented some of the most pressing foreign policies that US has faced since the end of the Cold War.

Dr. Lake is also the author of several books, including *Six Nightmares: Real Threats in a Dangerous World and How America Can Meet Them*. A scenario depicted in the book, published in October 2000, turned out to be remarkably prescient of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. He previously served under President Nixon’s national security advisor, the legendary Henry Kissinger, and was also on President Carter’s policy planning staff. Dr. Lake also helped found the influential journal *Foreign Policy*.

An ambitious conference agenda has been developed for the Kuala Lumpur IGM, tackling issues such as: new developments in trade and investment liberalization, as well as industry overviews including the biotechnology and financial markets. There will also be breakfast chats with global personalities – ranging from business leaders to media experts to artists – and private, off-the-record Ministerial Roundtables are planned.

PBEC’s International General Meeting is an opportunity for the region’s foremost corporate executives to gather with other international leaders to discuss, in a frank and intimate setting, the key issues in the regional economy, and to publicly issue policy recommendations and statements directed toward such organizations as the WTO and the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).

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- PBEC is a forum through which business leaders create new business relationships, exchange views with government officials, and produce recommendations on key business issues.
- The unprecedented scope of PBEC’s membership constitutes a broad and balanced reservoir of international business knowledge, unmatched in credibility and expertise. PBEC is the independent voice of business in the Pacific.