

May 2 event at United Nations building in New York attracts 160



*Speakers at the May 2nd, 2008 Conference on Peace and Stability through Trade
United Nations, New York, NY*

NEW YORK – A second Conference on Peace and Stability through Trade was presented by the WTCA May 2, 2008 in the United Nations building in New York under the auspices of the WTCA's Committee on Peace & Stability through Trade. Following up on the original conference held May 2007 in Oslo, the half-day program in New York highlighted the connection between world trade and world peace.

The participants were welcomed warmly on behalf of the United Nations by the Dominican Republic's Ambassador to the United Nations Francis Lorenzo. This was followed by introductory remarks by WTCA Committee on Peace and Stability through Trade Chairman John Dickson and WTCA President Guy Tozzoli.

Various perspectives on the peace through trade topic were presented by a distinguished panel of speakers, including Dan Griswold, Cato Institute; Aziz Sadat, President, WTC Kabul; John Adeleke, Executive Director, WTC Lagos, Nigeria; Dr. Annie S.C. Wu, WTC Hong Kong; Dr. Chan-mo Park, Pyongyang University; Vijay Kalantri, Director, WTC Mumbai; and Dr. Michael Nobel.

Through statistics, case studies and anecdotes, the speakers stressed the importance of world trade as a major force to promote world communication, understanding and peace. And they endorsed the WTCA's continuing and successful efforts to spread peace and stability through trade.

About 160 regional and international WTC, WTCA and other trade officials attended.