

UNH Guest Panel to Address World Security and Its Role in the 2000 Presidential Race

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DURHAM, N. H. -- A panel of experts on world security will weigh the issue's importance in the presidential election during a public forum at the University of New Hampshire.

Tuesday, Nov. 9, members of the Lawyers Alliance for World Security (LAWS) will discuss "International Security in the 2000 Election," from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Elliott Alumni Center. Kurk Dorsey, UNH assistant professor of history, will moderate the program, which is free and open to the public. The forum is sponsored by the UNH Center for International Education.

LAWS panelists will visit the UNH campus to increase public awareness of international security issues, which they believe should be addressed by presidential candidates. Discussion topics may include U.S. and Russian relations, the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, U.S. deployment of national missile defense systems, and U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals. The panelists are:

- Ambassador James Goodby, a leading expert in the safe dismantling of nuclear weapons, arms control and nuclear non-proliferation, served as a U.S. foreign service officer for 35 years, and specialized in international security. During 1995 and 1996, Goodby served as the principle negotiator and special representative of the President for Nuclear Security and Disarmament. Among his achievements are 30 agreements with former Soviet Republics that have assisted in the dismantling of nuclear weapons and the safe conversion of military facilities to civilian uses.
- Jesse James is a senior associate at the Henry L. Stimson Center, a collaboration of more than 15 research projects focusing on ways to reduce nuclear dangers. James is executive coordinator of the center's Committee on Nuclear Policy.
- LAWS vice president and executive director Jack Mendelsohn is a former senior foreign service officer with extensive experience in arms control

and national security. Prior to joining LAWS in May 1999, Mendelsohn was the John M. Olin Distinguished Professor of National Security Affairs at the U.S. Naval Academy.

- LAWS vice chairman John Rhinelander is a leading expert on international law, arms control, NATO expansion and national missile defense issues. Among his extensive experience, Rhinelander served as Under Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development from 1973 to 1975. He also has taught courses in treaty negotiation and international law at the University of Virginia, Georgetown University and Stanford University.

EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: The panelists will be available for follow-up interviews Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. For more information, call Tracy Manforte in the UNH News Bureau, at 603-862-1567.

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