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DURHAM, N.H. -- David M. Cote, chairman and CEO of Honeywell International, will speak at the University of New Hampshire Monday, March 10. The talk is free and open to the public.

Cote, a 1976 graduate of the university's Whittemore School of Business and Economics, will discuss "Leadership and Today's Challenging Business Environment" as part of the School's Distinguished Speaker Series at 4 p.m. in the Courtyard Reading Room of the Dimond Library. A reception follows. Visitors may park in A lot off Route 155A (Main Street) and take the shuttle bus to the library.

"We are excited to have David Cote join us on March 10 and to share with us his knowledge and experience," says Steve Bolander, dean of the Whittemore School. "We also are very pleased to have this opportunity to honor one of the many successful graduates of the Whittemore School. We hope that everyone can join us in welcoming one of our distinguished alumni back to campus."

Honeywell International, with world headquarters in Morristown, N.J., is a $24-billion diversified technology and manufacturing leader employing approximately 115,000 people in nearly 100 countries.
It is one of 30 select companies represented in the Dow Jones Industrial Average. The company provides products and integrated system solutions and services in the areas of aerospace products and services; control technologies for homes, buildings and industry; automotive products; power generation systems; and specialty chemicals, fibers, plastics and advanced materials.

Cote was first elected president, CEO and a member of the board of Honeywell in February 2002, and became chairman of the board in July of that year. Previously, Cote served as chairman, president and CEO of TRW, a $16-billion Cleveland-based products and services provider for the automotive, aerospace and information technology markets. He joined TRW from General Electric, where he served for 25 years in progressive, top-level management positions. He was GE's corporate senior vice president, president and CEO of GE Appliances when he left for TRW.

Cote earned a bachelor's degree in business administration at the Whittemore School. In April 2001, he was awarded Pepperdine University's highest honor, a Doctor of Laws degree, from the university's Graziadio School of Business and Management.

President George W. Bush appointed Cote to the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee, whose 30 members provide the president with technical advice on telecommunications infrastructure protection and other national security emergency preparedness concerns.

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