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WACC Speaker Series Panel Ambassador Thomas Pickering, Career Ambassador Dr. Jim Walsh, Research Associate, MIT Security Studies Program Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Westin Charlotte (601 S. College Street)

VIP Reception: 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Lunch: 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.





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Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering holds the rank of Career Ambassador, the highest in the U.S. Foreign Service. In a diplomatic career spanning five decades, he was U.S. ambassador to Israel, the Russian Federation, India, El Salvador, Nigeria, and Jordan. From 1989 to 1992, he was Ambassador to the United Nations in New York, and he then served as Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs. Earlier in his career, he was Special Assistant to Secretaries of State William P. Rogers and Henry Kissinger. He also served in the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserves.

Dr. Jim Walsh is an expert in international security and a Research Associate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Security Studies Program (SSP). Dr. Walsh focuses his research on areas of international security, especially those related to nuclear weapons and terrorism. He has testified before the U.S. Senate on the issue of nuclear terrorism and on Iran's nuclear program. He was also one of only a handful of Americans to travel to both Iran and North Korea for talks with officials about nuclear issues.



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- One seat at the Head Table with Ambassador Pickering and Dr. Walsh
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- Four seats with preferred seating at the luncheon
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