

NDIA INTERNATIONAL DIVISION BOARD MEETING NOTES
DECEMBER 3, 2008

- International Division Leadership Transfer
 - According to the Charter of the NDIA International Division, a nominating subcommittee will convene up to two months ahead of the next meeting to nominate the next Chair and Vice Chair of the division.
 - Craig Hunter, General Dynamics will be in charge of the committee.
 - Anyone wishing to volunteer to serve on the committee or to serve in a leadership role on the international division, please contact Alexis at NDIA.

- U.S. - UK - Canada Symposium
 - A trilateral meeting has been planned for May 2009 with NDIA representing the U.S., DMA representing the UK, and because of CADSI's annual meeting, the UK Office for Trade representing Canada. The committee expressed concern over the lack of CADSI's participation in the planning of the event and worried that it might give the wrong impression to Canadian companies who would otherwise participate.
 - Wayne Fujiot expressed the desire for the North American representatives from NIAG (U.S. and Canada) to develop more programs involving the two groups.
 - Steve Delp volunteered to call Jennifer Stewart with CADSI to discuss possibilities of getting them involved for May or exploring options of postponing the event until a date where all three organizations can participate.
 - NDIA staff will contact Jeff Taylor (DMA's representative) and Robert Evers (NDIA's International Division volunteer) to discuss possible solutions to the above problem and will report back to the executive committee to make a decision as soon as possible.

- U.S. - Sweden Meeting
 - Frank Cevasco reported on the development of the June 10th meeting in Stockholm.
 - Frank, representatives from the Swedish Defense Association and representatives from the Pentagon will meet next week to continue ironing out details.
 - NDIA will keep division informed as the program develops.

- Attaché Luncheons
 - Frank Cevasco submitted a write up outlining the current status of the Attache Luncheon series (please find write up attached to email).
 - The committee discussed and agreed to the goal of hosting 3-4 lunches per year with the suggestion that they be held at the same hotel when possible.
 - A list of countries to invite was discussed with the intention of inviting the Czech Republic, Denmark, Brazil, Israel, South Korea, India, Poland, Italy, Kuwait and Sweden for 2009 and 2010. Britt Bommelje will contact representatives from the Czech Republic; Charles Scaperotto will contact representatives from Brazil; Steve Delp will contact representatives from South Korea.
 - Once these countries agree to participating, NDIA staff will work to accomodate their prefferred time frame and arrange the program.

- If any other NDIA International Division Board member can offer assistance in the form of contacts at the embassies please contact Alexis at NDIA or Frank Cevasco.
- DHS Rule Change on Import/Export
 - The division discussed the change in the Customs and Border Protection rule regarding country of origin labeling.
 - The division discussed the possibility of doing an alert to NDIA member companies outside of Washington DC to explain how the rule might affect them.
 - Gary Stanley has agreed to be the International Division's representative on the issue to work with a representative from the Procurement Division.
 - NDIA staff will coordinate with the Procurement Division and Homeland Security Division to see if we would like to issue any comments or white papers to NDIA membership explaining the rule change.
- NIAG Update
 - Wayne Fujito provided the committee with a schedule from NIAG of Proposals for Exploratory Group meetings - Budget Year 2009. (Please see PDF attachment to your e-mail).
 - Anyone is welcome to participate in the meetings provided they alert Wayne ahead of time.
 - If any sessions are changed or added, Wayne will send the information to NDIA staff and NDIA staff will inform the committee of such changes.
- International Division Roster
 - NDIA staff has organized the division's roster. Please check the roster, attached to the email to ensure all of your contact information is correct. If there are mistakes, please e-mail Alexis at NDIA the correct information.
 - If there is anyone included who should no longer be on the roster, or if you have colleagues who should be added, please alert Alexis at NDIA.
- Transition Papers
 - The division discussed the possibility of submitting transition papers for the new administration as this is something which has been done in the past.
 - Members of the International Division who are also members of the AIA International Committee informed the group that they were already working with AIA and had been since the campaign to develop the papers as part of a coalition which NDIA is a part.
 - NDIA staff will sit in on the next AIA meeting and contact Remy Nathan at AIA to find out ways to contribute to transition papers and will report back to the division.
- Next International Division Meeting
 - The next International Division Meeting will be held Thursday, January 29th at NDIA's office.