

For Immediate Release

Contact: Marilyn Wilkes (203) 432-3413

marilyn.wilkes@yale.edu

Ambassador Richard Haass to Speak at the Yale Center for International and Area Studies

January 5, 2004. New Haven, CT ♦ Ambassador Richard Haass, President of the Council on Foreign Relations, will be the speaker at the George Herbert Walker, Jr. Lecture in International Studies on Thursday, January 29. His talk, entitled "Rethinking Sovereignty" will be held at 4pm, Luce Hall Auditorium, 34 Hillhouse Avenue, New Haven, CTticut. It is sponsored by the Yale Center for International and Area Studies (YCIAS) and is free and open to the public.

Widely regarded as the preeminent behind-the-scenes statesman, Richard Haass was, for nearly three years, principal advisor to Secretary of State Colin Powell. Prior to that Ambassador Haass served as U.S. coordinator for policy toward the future of Afghanistan and was the lead U.S. Government official in support of the Northern Ireland peace process. From 1989-1993, Ambassador Haass was Special Assistant to President George W. Bush and Senior Director for Near East and South Asian Affairs on the staff of the National Security Council. He has authored nine books on American foreign policy, including *The Reluctant Sheriff: The United States after the Cold War*; *Intervention: The Use of American Military Force in the Post-Cold War World*; as well as a book on management, *The Bureaucratic Entrepreneur: How to be Effective in Any Unruly Organization*.

George Herbert Walker III established this Lecture series in 1986 in memory of his father, a distinguished graduate of the Yale Class of 1927. Previous George Herbert Walker, Jr. lecturers in International Studies have included Jesus Silva-Herzog, David Lange, Bruce Gelb, Strobe Talbott, Paul Wolfowitz, Edward Jaycox, George Schultz, Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Madeleine Albright, Brent Scowcroft, James Baker III, George Mitchell, Richard Holbrooke and Carla Hills.

YCIAS is Yale University's principal agency for encouraging and coordinating teaching and research on international affairs, societies and cultures around the world. It seeks to make understanding the world outside the borders of the U.S., and America's role in the world, an integral part of the liberal education and professional training at Yale University.

###

Contact Information:

Marilyn Wilkes

Yale Center for International and Area Studies

(203) 432-3413

marilyn.wilkes@yale.edu