Nicholas Kristof, Columnist at The New York Times, to Speak at Yale Center for International and Area Studies

January 25, 2006. New Haven, CT Nicholas Kristof, an op-ed columnist at The New York Times will be the speaker at the 13th Coca-Cola World Fund at Yale Lecture on Wednesday, February 15. His talk, entitled "The First Genocide of the 21st Century: Reporting from Darfur," will be held at 4pm at Luce Hall Auditorium, 34 Hillhouse Avenue, New Haven. A reception will follow. The lecture is sponsored by the Yale Center for International and Area Studies, the Yale Law School, and the Yale School of Management.

Born in 1959, Mr. Kristof grew up on a cherry farm near Yamhill, Oregon, and raised sheep for his Future Farmers of America project. He graduated from Harvard College in three years, Phi Beta Kappa, in 1981, and then won first class honors in his study of law at Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship. He later studied Arabic in Cairo and Chinese in Taipei. Mr. Kristof has lived on four continents, reported on six, and traveled to well over 100 countries.

Mr. Kristof joined The New York Times in October 1984, initially covering economics. After that, he served as a business correspondent based in Los Angeles, Hong Kong bureau chief, Beijing bureau chief and Tokyo bureau chief. In 2000, he covered the presidential campaign and in particular Governor Bush, and he is the author of the chapter on Mr. Bush in the reference book "The Presidents."

In 1990, Mr. Kristof and his wife, Sheryl WuDunn, also a Times journalist, won a Pulitzer Prize for their coverage of China's Tiananmen Square democracy movement. They were the first married couple to win a Pulitzer for journalism. Mr. Kristof has won other prizes including the George Polk Award and the Overseas Press Club awards. Mr. Kristof and Ms. WuDunn are authors of "China Wakes: The Struggle for the Soul of a Rising Power" and "Thunder from the East: Portrait of a Rising Asia."

The Coca-Cola World Fund at Yale was established in 1992 to support endeavors among specialists in the intersection between international relations, international law, and the management of international enterprises and organizations. Previous lecturers have included Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Senator Sam Nunn, Tom Friedman, Senator Gary Hart, Sadako Ogata, Mary Robinson, and Douglas Daft.

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