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Women's Business Exchange (www.wbex.org) is proud to host Across Cultures 2004—an intensive, 2-week business and cultural exchange among business leaders from Estonia, Lithuania, and the Puget Sound area. This unique, U.S. Embassy-endorsed event is focused on human rights, access to information, economic equity, and cultural experience.

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HUMAN RIGHTS SEMINAR OCTOBER 14, 2004 1 PM – 5PM

“WOMEN'S RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS”

Date: October 14th 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: The University of Washington Law School, William H. Gates Hall, Room 138

Suggested donation: \$10 payable at the door.

Parking: UW Entrance at 45th and 17 Ave - parking is on the right hand side. Refreshments provided. To register for this event, call (206) 382-1234, option 3 or e-mail at info@acrosscultures.org.

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STEERING COMMITTEE:

Alta Barer
Christina Bruning
Cynthia Hansen
Jane O'Sullivan

Ambassador John R. Miller, Director, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Senior Advisor to Secretary of State Colin Powell on human trafficking.

The Trafficking in Persons Office coordinates U.S. Government activities in the global fight against modern-day slavery, including forced labor and sexual exploitation, which impacts some 800,000 women, children, and men every year.

W.H. Knight, Dean U.W. School of Law

Joe Knight provides the academic and administrative leadership as the school continues to foster educational innovation and academic excellence in legal education. Knight's vision includes attracting a talented, diverse and inquisitive student body that will form the next generation of lawyers.

Dr. Helene Gayle, Director, HIV, TB and Reproductive Health, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Dr. Gayle is responsible for research, program and policies related to HIV/AIDS, reproductive Health, sexually transmitted diseases and tuberculosis.

Roberta Riley, Consulting Counsel, Legal and International Affairs, Planned Parenthood of Western Washington

Ms. Riley leads Planned Parenthood's Fair Access to Contraception project, aimed at convincing ever health plan in the nation to cover the prescriptions contraceptives women need to prevent unwanted pregnancy.

Andy Levine, Director and Producer of *The Day My God Died*

Come view **Andy Levine's groundbreaking documentary** an astonishing look into the trafficking of Nepali girls into Indian brothels. *The Day my God Died* introduces us to the heroes of the movement to abolish child sex slavery.

Christopher Carey, J.D., Board Member and Executive Director of The Daywalka Foundation

The Daywalka Foundation is a small, counter-trafficking, non-governmental organization based in the United States and operating in Nepal and India to abolish the illegal trade of persons, particularly women and young girls, who are bought and consequently sold into a life of sexual exploitation and slavery.

Mona Eltahawy, Managing editor of Arabic Women's eNews

Ms Eltahawy was correspondent for Reuters news agency for over five years, based in Cairo and Jerusalem. She has also reported for The Guardian newspaper and U.S. News & World Report from the Middle East.

Jensine Larsen, Founder and Executive Editor of *World Pulse Magazine*

Ms. Larsen was inspired to start a magazine covering "world issues from a woman's angle" after many years working as a writer and freelance journalist spotlighting the stories of women leaders, indigenous communities in the Amazon, and refugees from Burma.

Monica da Silva, clinician from the University of Johannesburg, South Africa

Ms. da Silva formed a multi-disciplinary and international team of experts including, HIV-specialists, pediatricians and homeopaths to evaluate the effects of a natural therapy in treating undernourished children infected with HIV.