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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Professor John Jackson
Georgetown University Law Center
*The Impact of China's Accession
upon the WTO*

Friday
16 March 2001

VENUE
University House
The Australian National University

Saturday
17 March 2001

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Law School Theatre
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CONFERENCE DINNER Friday 16 March 7.00 for 7.30pm

The Boat House by the Lake, Grevillea Park, Menindee Drive

Speaker: **Dr Sylvia Ostry**, *University of Toronto*

WTO Membership for China: To Be *And* Not To Be - Is That The Answer?

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8.30 **Registrations**9.00 **Welcome** Professor Michael Coper, Dean, Faculty of Law, Australian National University**Official Opening**

The Hon. Mr Mark Vaile, Minister for Trade, Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia

9.30 **The Accession Process****Chair - Professor Peter Drysdale**, Australian National University**Dr Ligang Song**, Australian National University*The State of the Chinese Economy***Mr Jeffrey Gertler**, World Trade Organization*The GATT / WTO Working Party on the Accession of China to the WTO***Mr Graeme Thomson**, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*Negotiating the Chinese Accession to the WTO : Australia's Role and Interests*11.00 **Morning Tea**11.15 **Developing Countries in the WTO****Chair - Professor Richard Snape**, Productivity Commission, Australia**Mr Ian Dickson**, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*China's Interest in Deregulation of Textiles Trade***Dr Brett Williams**, Australian National University*Impact of China's Membership on Future Agricultural Trade Negotiations***Professor Raj Bhala**, George Washington University*Models and the Law: Trade, Growth and Reflections on the Dragon*1.00 **Lunch**2.00 **China and Trade in Services I****Chair - Ms Philippa Kelly**, Australian Embassy, Beijing**Professor Christopher Arup**, La Trobe University*The Impact of WTO Membership upon Regulation of Professional Services in China***Mr Ian Macintosh**, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*Regulating the New Economy : Implications of WTO Accession for Telecommunications and E- Commerce in China***Mr Dene Yeaman**, Sidley & Austin, Shanghai*Impact of WTO Accession upon Regulation of the Distribution & Logistics Industry in China*3.40 **Afternoon Tea**3.55 **Competition Law, Trade and Human Rights****Chair - Ms Deborah Cass**, London School of Economics**Associate Professor Mark Williams**, Hong Kong Polytechnic University*Adopting a Competition Law in China: A Consequence of WTO Accession***Professor Allan Fels**, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission*Adopting a Competition Law in China: Lessons for Implementation***Professor Alice Tay**, University of Sydney & Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission*China: Trade, Law and Human Rights***5.30pm Close**7.00 **Dinner - The Boathouse by the Lake****DINNER SPEAKER Dr Sylvia Ostry**,*Distinguished Research Fellow, Monk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, former Canadian Trade Representative, and author of "The Post-Cold War Trading System"**WTO Membership for China: To Be And Not To Be : Is That the Answer?*

Law Theatre

Law Link

- 9.00 **China & Trade in Services II**
Dr Zhang Xian-Chu, University of Hong Kong
China's Accession to the WTO and Opening of its Securities Market
Dr Richard Wu, University of Hong Kong
Segregation & Convergence: The Chinese Dilemma for Financial Services Sectors after Accession to the WTO
Mr Andreas Lauffs, Baker & McKenzie, Hong Kong
The Impact of WTO Accession upon the Insurance Industry in China

- China & Trade in Goods**
Mr Ichiro Araki, Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Japan
China & Technical Barriers to Trade
Mr Daniel Moulis, Freehills
The WTO & Australian Rules for Determining Dumping Margins in Non-Market Economies
Mr Chen Xuebin, JT International Law Firm, Nantong.
The Operation of Chinese Foreign Investment Laws under the TRIMS

10.40 Morning Tea

- 11.00 **China & International Regulation of Intellectual Property**
Mr Antony Taubman & Mr Andrew Witheford, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
China & the Objectives of TRIPS
Associate Professor Dr Yang Zewei, Zhong Nan University, Wuhan
China and International Protection of Copyright
Mr Daniel Stewart & Mr Brett Williams, Australian National University
China's Impact on the Review of TRIPS

- WTO Dispute Settlement & China**
Professor Carlos Esposito, Universitas Autonoma Madrid
The Role of the WTO Dispute Settlement System in the Evolution of Trade Liberalization in China
Mr Ravi Kewalram, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Acceding to the WTO: China's Provinces, Autonomous Regions and Municipalities
Mr Michael Lennard, Australian Taxation Office
Interpreting China's WTO Obligations - Predicting Appellate Body Consideration of the Chinese Accession Protocol

12.40 Lunch

- 1.40 **Dr Will Martin**, World Bank, Washington
Assessing the Implications of Merchandise Trade Liberalization in China's Accession to WTO

- 2.00 **Keynote Address, Law Theatre**
Professor John Jackson, Professor of Law, Georgetown University Law Center
The Impact of China's Accession to the WTO upon the WTO, the Institution and on WTO Law
 Questions and Discussion

3.15 Afternoon Tea

- 3.30 **China and the World Trading System, Law Theatre**
Chair: Dr George Barker, Australian National University
Dr Kong Qingjiang, Hangzhou Institute of Commerce
Enforcing WTO Agreements in China: an Illusion or Reality
Alan Alexandroff, Law and Economics Consulting Group
The Protocol Provisions for Transitional Review
Deborah Cass, London School of Economics
China and the Constitutionalization of International Trade

- 5.00 **Conclusions - Prof. John Jackson, Dr Sylvia Ostry, Dr Will Martin, Mr Jeffrey Gertler.**

- 5.30 REFRESHMENTS - HOSTED BY THE HIGH COMMISSION OF CANADA - Law School Courtyard

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VENUE: Australian National University

Friday 16 March: The Common Room, University House, 1 Balmain Crescent

Saturday 17 March: Law Theatre, Law School, Corner Fellows Road & East Road

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(Departs 4.30pm Returns 9.00pm)

Both activities include afternoon tea and entrance fees.

Bookings and payments for the excursions can be made direct to A to Z Travel (by 15 February 2001 if possible) and they will provide pick up details to you. Numbers are limited.

A to Z Travel can provide information to participants and accompanying persons on other activities in Canberra - bus tours, visits to Parliament House, High Court, National Gallery.

We are pleased to bring to Australia for the first time, Professor John Jackson and a number of other experts in international trade law.

Professor John Jackson, Professor of law at the Georgetown Law Centre in Washington DC has been a leading scholar in the field of regulation of international trade for over 30 years. He is the author of the leading textbooks, *World Trade and the Law of GATT*, and *The World Trading System*, the casebook *Legal Problems in International Economic Relations* and over 70 journal articles and book chapters. Professor Jackson will deliver a keynote address on "The Impact of Chinese Accession upon the World Trade Organization".

Our conference dinner speaker, Dr Sylvia Ostry, Distinguished Research Fellow at the Monk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto is a former Trade Representative for Canada and the author of *The Post-Cold War Trading System*.

Professor Raj Bhala, holder of the Patricia Roberts Harris Research Chair at the Faculty of Law at George Washington University in Washington DC is the author of *International Trade Law - Cases and Materials*, the text, *International Trade Law* and numerous articles in the field. Professor Bhala's address will deal with the treatment of developing countries, including China, in the WTO.

Mr Jeffrey Gertler is Senior Counsellor in the Legal Affairs Division of the World Trade Organization. He has been the secretary of the GATT/WTO Working Party on China's Accession for over 10 years.

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