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Los Angeles Convention Center
LACC LUNCHESES WITH THE WORLD

April 22, 2010 (LOS ANGELES, CA) – The Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) hosted today a special luncheon for the Los Angeles Consular Corp at its South Hall interior lobby, with its signature architectural ceilings proudly draping each of the respective country’s flag. The reception, attended by over 70 VIP consulate guests included a tour of the 720,000 square foot facility, a welcome speech by LACC’s CEO and General Manager, and a keynote speech by the Honorable Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. Consulates were also treated to a contemporary three-course lunch created by LACC’s Executive Chef Rick Wineman and served by LACC’s Food Services team.

“We welcome the Los Angeles Consular Corps to their home and we invite them to experience our “World-Class Service” for any of their consulate-related events,” said Pouria Abbasi, P.E., Los Angeles Convention Center’s CEO & General Manager.

About the Los Angeles Consular Corps The Los Angeles Consular Corps has one of the largest memberships in the world. The Corps consists of 101 consulates (62 career and 39 honorary) many of which also have trade, consular and tourism representatives based in Los Angeles. Today, the Consular Corps serves to build and strengthen its relationship with both the City and the wider County of Los Angeles. Having within its boundaries two of the largest ports in the United States and the third largest airport, as well as some of the finest universities and research facilities to be found anywhere, its fully anticipated that the Corps will continue to grow and prosper.

About the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) The Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) is one of the most technologically advanced convention and exhibition centers in the world. LACC attracts over 2.5 million annual visitors and is renowned internationally as a prime site for conventions, trade shows and exhibitions. An integral economic component to the Southern California area, total sales from client secondary spending tops \$1.1 billion annually, generating and sustaining over 12,000 local jobs. For more information, visit www.lacclink.com

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The Honorable Mayor Antonio giving his keynote speech at the Los Angeles Consular Corps Luncheon held at the Los Angeles Convention Center's South Hall interior lobby



The Los Angeles Convention Center's CEO & General Manager Pouria Abbassi greeting South Africa Vice Consul Kgototso John at the Los Angeles Convention Center's (LACC) South Hall interior lobby.



The VIP guests attentively listen to Mayor Antonio Villraigosa's speech at the Los Angeles Convention Center's (LACC) Los Angeles Consular Corps Luncheon held at LACC's South Hall interior lobby. The tables, center pieces, and lunch served by LACC's Food Services team.