

MEDIA ADVISORY

CONGRESSIONAL ROLLOUT FOR VIETNAM'S PNTR

WHAT: U.S. Trade Representative Susan Schwab and congressional co-sponsors discuss Senate and House bills granting Vietnam permanent normal trade relations (PNTR) and Vietnam's accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO). The U.S. and Vietnam officially signed a comprehensive bilateral agreement for Vietnam's WTO accession on May 31, 2006 and Vietnam is on track to become a full member of the WTO before it hosts the Asian Pacific Economic Cooperative (APEC) Summit in November. For more information, please see <http://www.usvtc.org/coalition.asp>

WHO:

The Honorable Ambassador Susan Schwab- USTR

Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT), lead Senate sponsor

Congressman Jim Ramstad (R-MN), lead House sponsor

Congressman Mike Thompson (D-CA), lead House sponsor

Vietnam Ambassador Nguyen Tam Chien

Numerous other co-sponsors of Vietnam's PNTR bills in the House and Senate

WHEN: Tuesday, June 13th, 3:30pm

WHERE: S-207, Mansfield Room, U.S. Capitol Building, Washington, DC

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