

The University of Oklahoma
International Programs Center

“Africa and Prospects for Hope”

September 14, 2006

Agenda

10:00 – 10:10 a.m.
Meacham Auditorium

Conference Welcome

- Ambassador Edward J. Perkins, Senior Vice Provost for International Programs, The University of Oklahoma

10:10 – 11:45 a.m.
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“Overall Picture of Africa”

Panel Moderator: Ambassador Ruth Davis, Special Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of African Affairs, U.S. Department of State

Panelists:

- Ambassador David Scheffer, Director of the Center of International Human Rights, Northwestern University School of Law
- Ambassador Walter Carrington, Former Ambassador to Nigeria and Senegal
- Dr. David Chand, former Sudanese official; now African studies professor at the University of Nebraska
- Dr. Howard Wolpe, Director of Africa Program, and Director of Project on Leadership and Building State Capacity, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Discussant: Dr. Monde Muyangwa, Academic Dean, Africa Center for Strategic Studies, National Defense University

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Break**

12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Ballroom

Luncheon Address

Introduction by President David L. Boren

Keynote Speaker:

- President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Liberia

1:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Meacham Auditorium

“Focus on South Africa”

Opening Remarks:

Her Excellency Barbara Joyce Masekela, Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa to the United States of America

Introduction by Ambassador Edward J. Perkins, Senior Vice Provost for International Programs, The University of Oklahoma, and former U.S. Ambassador to South Africa

Panel Moderator: Dr. Chris Howard, Vice President, Strategic and Leadership Initiatives, The University of Oklahoma

Panelists:

- Dr. Pride Chigwedere, Oak Foundation Research Fellow, Harvard School of Public Health
- Ambassador Cameron Hume, Charge d’ Affaires in Khartoum, Sudan
- Ambassador Princeton Lyman, Senior Fellow in Africa Policy Studies, Council on Foreign Relations
- Ms. Linda Thomas-Greenfield, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, U.S. Department of State

Discussant: Ambassador Tibor Nagy, Vice Provost for International Affairs, Texas Tech University

3:45 p.m.

Closing

- Ambassador Edward J. Perkins, Senior Vice Provost for International Programs, The University of Oklahoma

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Western History Collection

Grand Opening of the Oklahoma Diplomatic Archives