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MONTEREY INSTITUTE CELEBRATES CLASS OF 2009 AND NEW PRESIDENT

Sunder Ramaswamy to be inaugurated as 13th president while 299 students receive Master's Degrees

MONTEREY, Calif. – May 12, 2009 – The Monterey Institute of International Studies will recognize the achievements of its graduating students in a commencement ceremony scheduled for May 16th. Saturday's ceremony will also highlight the inauguration of the 13th president of the Institute, Sunder Ramaswamy.

The Commencement ceremony will celebrate the Institute's 299 Spring 2009 graduates. Honorary degrees will also be awarded to U.S. Congressman Sam Farr of Monterey and Ambassador Nabil Fahmy. Congressman Farr is from Monterey and is a Monterey Institute graduate. Ambassador Fahmy, former Egyptian Ambassador to the United States, is both the Commencement keynote speaker as well as the Chair of the new Middle East Nonproliferation Project at the Institute's James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies.

WHO: **Monterey Institute of International Studies**

WHAT: **Spring 2009 Commencement and Presidential Inauguration**

WHERE: **Colton Hall Lawn**
Monterey
Located on Pacific Street between Madison and Jefferson

WHEN: **Saturday, May 16, 2009**
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

EVENT DETAILS: This event is free and open to the public. No tickets required. For more information contact Jason Warburg at MIIS at 831.647.3516 or email jason.warburg@miis.edu.

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About the Monterey Institute of International Studies

The Monterey Institute of International Studies, an affiliate of Middlebury College, is a private graduate institution located in Monterey, CA. It is at the forefront of international professional education, preparing students for global careers in the private, public, nonprofit, and educational sectors. The Institute also offers graduate degrees in translation and interpretation, international policy studies, international trade policy, international environmental policy, business administration, and language teaching. The Institute's approximately 800 students come from nearly 70 countries.