MEMORANDUM

September 30, 2010

Dear University Community:

I am pleased to invite you to attend the conference: Challenges of Poverty, Health and Sustainability: A Geopolitical Summit, on Monday, October 18, 2010 at the FIU, Graham Center Ballrooms at MMC and Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at the FIU Wolfe University Center Ballrooms at BBC.

Florida International University’s 2010 Geopolitical Summit is a timely and interdisciplinary gathering that builds upon the significant contributions of the inaugural Geopolitical Summit of 2009. This year’s Geopolitical Summit brings to South Florida leading thinkers from around the world in international relations, economics, politics, health, medicine, and the environment to discuss some of the most pressing challenges facing our nation and the world today. Our featured guest’s speakers will be Dr. Paul Collier, Dr. Len Nichols and Mr. Bruce Babbitt accompanied by FIU Faculty members that will be serving on the panel. The 2010 Geopolitical Summit provides an opportunity for the South Florida community to focus on poverty, health, and sustainability in the context of globalization, and discuss what can or should be done to address these challenges.

With its focus on health, environment, and poverty the 2010 Geopolitical Summit is also celebrating the establishment of the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine (HWCOM), which just welcomed its second class, and the establishment of the School of Environment, Arts and Society (SEAS). In presenting the 2010 Geopolitical Summit, HWCOM and SEAS join the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) that includes FIU’s signature international departments and programs. For more information please visit the website at summit.fiu.edu.

ATTENDANCE

- Tickets are required for admission and are free of charge
- Each plenary session requires an individual ticket
- FIU identification card is required in order to obtain tickets
- Seating is limited, tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis

TICKET INFORMATION

- Ticket distribution begins on Monday, October 11, 2010
- Last day to obtain tickets is Thursday, October 14, 2010
- If there are any extra tickets, they will be available on a first-come, first-served basis on Friday, October 15, 2010. (While supplies last)
Tickets can be obtained at the following locations:

- Modesto A. Maidique Campus – FIU Bookstore, Graham Center
- Biscayne Bay Campus – FIU Bookstore, Wolfe University Center
- Tickets will be distributed during the Bookstore’s normal hours of operation

I hope you will join us on October 18 and 19 for this stimulating, thought-provoking forum.

Sincerely,

Mark B. Rosenberg
President