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NDI DELEGATION TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE

ASUNCION, APRIL 28 -- The international election observation mission sponsored by the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI), a Washington D.C.-based political development institute, will host a press conference on Saturday, April 29, to introduce its members and discuss the objectives of the group.

Chilean Christian Democratic leader Eduardo Frei, Canadian Senator Al Graham and U.S. Representative Bruce Morrison, the co-leaders of the delegation, will present the group and read a brief statement explaining the activities of the mission.

The press conference will be held at 1:15 p.m. at the Banco Nacional Argentino (Calle Palma, esq. Chile) in the Salon Carlos Pellegrini.

The 19-member delegation includes political party leaders, legislators and electoral experts from Latin America, Europe and the United States. The U.S. component of the team is comprised of prominent Republicans and Democrats.

Chaired by former Vice President Walter F. Mondale, NDI conducts nonpartisan political development programs outside the United States. NDI received bipartisan acclaim for organizing the international observer delegation to the October 1988 presidential plebiscite in Chile and the 1986 "snap" presidential elections in the Philippines. It has also conducted a series of democratic development programs in nearly 30 countries, including Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Haiti, Nicaragua, Northern Ireland, Senegal, South Korea, Taiwan and Uruguay.