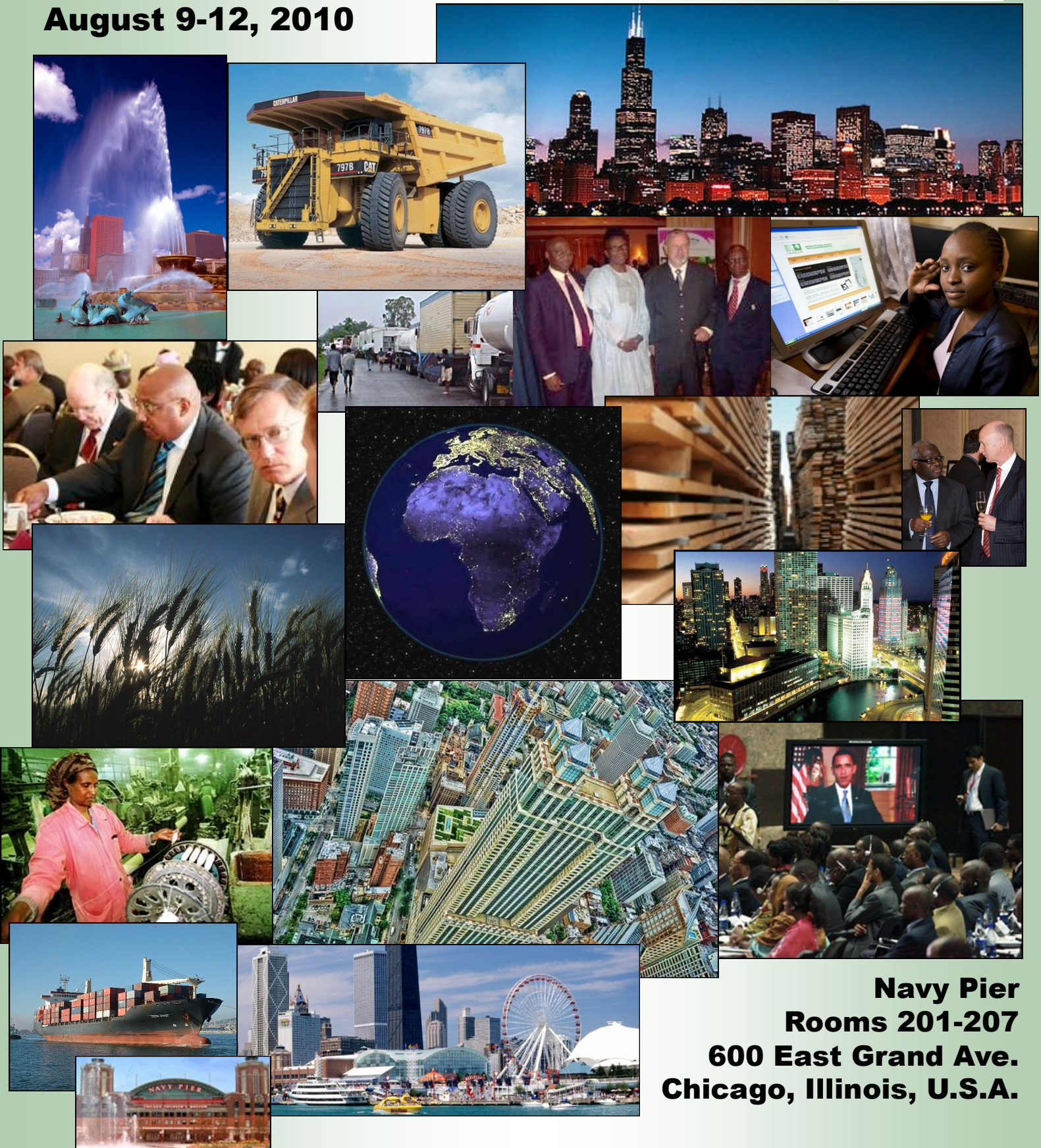


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Program

August 9, 2010

8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Opening Remarks – Mr. G.A. Dada, President, CACC

Introduction of Board Members - Clement D. Timpo, Vice President, CACC

Mr. Bob Langlois, Chairman, CACC

Mr. David Olupitan, Co-founder, CACC

Recognition of Key Dignitaries – Mr. G.A. Dada

TRADE AND INVESTMENT BANK PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMS FOR AFRICA (PART I)

9:30 a.m. **'Expanding Opportunities for Illinois and African Companies'**
Welcome Address – Mr. Warren Ribley, Director, DCEO

PANEL DISCUSSION I

10:00 a.m. **'U.S. Commerce Department Programs for American Companies'**
Ms. Julie Carducci, Director, U.S. Department of Commerce

10:15 a.m. **'Opportunities in MCC Compaq-Qualified Nations'**
Mr. Jason Bauer, Director, Millennium Challenge (MCC)

10:30 a.m. **'Reducing Investment Risk in Africa'**
Mr. Peter H. Ballinger, Director, OPIC

10:45 a.m. **'Commodity Import Requirements'**
Mr. Jonathan Doster, Director, USDA/FAS

11:00 a.m. **'Pre-investment Funding from the USTDA'**
Mr. Paul Marin, Regional Director, USTDA

11:15 a.m. **Keynote Address** – **'Opportunities and Challenges for Doing Business in Nigeria'**
H.E. Professor Ade Adefuye, Nigeria Ambassador to U.S.A.

11:45 a.m. Q & A

12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m. LUNCH

FORUM PROGRAM (continued)

1:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m. **TRADE AND INVESTMENT BANK PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMS FOR AFRICA (PART II)**

Keynote Address – ‘Why America Must Trade with Africa: What Must Be Done to Increase the Market in Africa’

Mr. Stephen Hayes, President and CEO, Corporate Council on Africa

PANEL DISCUSSION II – STRENGTHENING U.S. SUPPORT FOR U.S.-AFRICA BILATERAL TRADE AND INVESTMENTS

- 2:00 p.m. ‘Ex-Im Programs and Products for American Exporters’
Mr. Mark Klein, Business Development Officer, Midwest Region, Small Business Division, Exim-Import Bank of the United States
- 2:20 p.m. ‘Ex-Im Products for African Importers’
Mr. Ben Todd, Strategic Initiatives Division for African Exim-Import Bank of the United States
- 2:40 p.m. ‘Export Opportunities for the State of Illinois’
Ms. Mary Roberts, Acting Deputy Director, DCEO
- 3:00 p.m. ‘The Small Business Administration’s Role in Exporting’
Mr. John Nevell, Regional Manager, Small Business Administration
- 3:20 p.m. ‘Challenges in Financing Exports to Africa’
Mr. John Richter, Former Director, Ex-Im Bank
- 3:40 p.m. Q & A

4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. **U.S.-AFRICA BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE**

Mr. Stephen Hayes, President and CEO, Corporate Council on Africa
Mr. G. A. Dada, President, Continental Africa Chamber of Commerce
Senator Jubril Martins-Kuye, Nigerian Minister of Trade & Commerce
H.E. Professor Ade Adefuye, Nigeria Ambassador to U.S.
H.E. Joseph Charles Bienvenu Foe-Atangana, Cameroon Ambassador to U.S.
Mr. George Aboagye, CEO, Ghana Investment Promotion Centre
Mr. Greg Ervin, President & CEO, Ervin USA
Barrister Jimoh Ibrahim, Chairman, NICON Group
Mr. Saratu A. Umar, FCE, NEXIM Nigeria Export-Import Bank
Engr. Femi Odumabo, Executive Director, Chevron Nigeria Plc
Mr. Jegede Paul, Managing Director/CEO, JaPaul Oil & Maritime Services Plc
Mr. David Adulugba, ED/CEO, Nigerian Export Promotion Council
Mr. Charles Sinunu, Director, International Sales, Dredging Supply Co.
Ms. Julie Carducci, Director, U.S. Department of Commerce
Mr. Peter H. Ballinger, Director, OPIC
Mr. Alexander Poley Gbayee, Former Consul General, Republic of Liberia
Mr. Jonathan Doster, Director, USDA/FAS
Mr. Paul Marin, Regional Director, USTDA
Mr. Ben Todd, Strategic Initiatives Division for African Ex-Im Bank of the United States
Mr. John Nevell, Regional Manager, Small Business Administration
Mr. John Richter, Former Director, Ex-Im Bank

6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. **NETWORKING**

FORUM PROGRAM (continued)

August 10, 2010

8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. **BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN AFRICA**

Keynote Address - 'Central Africa and the Congo Basin Are Open for Business'

H.E. Joseph Charles Bienvenu Foe-Atangana, Cameroon Ambassador to U.S.

PANEL DISCUSSION III

- 9:00 a.m. 'Non-Oil Exportable Products from Nigeria'
Mr. David Adulugba, ED/CEO, Nigerian Export Promotion Council
- 9:20 a.m. 'Nigerian Content: How It Affects American Companies'
Engr. Femi Odumabo, Executive Director, Chevron Nigeria Plc
- 9:40 a.m. 'Financing Challenges for Oil and Maritime Services in Nigeria'
Mr. Jegede Paul, Managing Director/CEO, JaPaul Oil and Maritime Services Plc
- 10:00 a.m. 'ICT Programs in Kano State'
Dr. Bashir Shehu Galadanci, Honorable Commissioner for Technology, Kano State
- 10:20 a.m. 'Building Technology for Africa'
Mr. George Modrovic, President, ELFI Wall System
- 10:40 a.m. 'Trade & Investment Opportunities for Ghana'
Mr. George Aboagye, CEO, Ghana Investment Promotion Centre
- 11:00 a.m. 'Opportunities for American Companies to Invest in Export Zones in Nigeria'
Mr. Sina Agboluaje, Managing Director, Nigerian Export Processing Zones Authority
- 11:20 a.m. 'Opportunities for American Companies to Invest in Export Zones in Nigeria'
Ms. Yetunde O. Akinluyi, General Manager, Lekki Worldwide Investments Inc.
- 11:40 p.m. Q & A

12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m. **LUNCH**

Keynote Speaker - 'Strengthening U.S. - Sub-Saharan Relations by Promoting Growth and Economic Development'

U.S. Congressional Representative Bobby Rush

1:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m. **AMERICAN COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN AFRICA**

Keynote Address - 'Investment Opportunities in Nigeria'

Barrister Jimoh Ibrahim, Chairman, NICON Group

PANEL DISCUSSION IV

- Mr. G. A. Dada, President, Kofa International Co.
- Mr. Charles Sinunu, Director, International Sales, Dredging Supply Co.
- Mr. Greg Ervin, President, Ervin USA
- Mr. George Modrovic, President, ELFI Wall System
- Mr. Tony Carroll, Vice President, Manchester Trade
- Mr. Eric Tande, President, Makuna International Corp. (MIC)
- Ms. Michele Kennedy-Kouadio, Planning and Analysis, USDA/FAS
- Mr. Abubakar Chika Adamu, Commissioner, Nigeria Ministry of Tourism and Culture

FORUM PROGRAM (continued)

Prince Adeniyi Oyenade, Commissioner – Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Lagos State, Nigeria

Dr. Niyi Odunlami, Former Executive Director, Bi-Courtney Limited

6:00 p.m.

WRAP-UP Q & A

August 11, 2010

Visits to Companies

One-On-One Meetings

Meeting With Various Professional Organizations

August 12, 2010

Visits to Companies

One-On-One Meetings

Meeting With Various Professional Organizations

Closing Event – Venue to Be Determined