MONDAY, MAY 22, 2006 (PRE-CONFERENCE PLANNING DAY) ***

8:30 a.m.            BUFFET BREAKFAST  
                        Location: Chapel Lobby

9:30 a.m.            Welcome
                        Karin Ryan – purpose of overall conference
                        Neil Hicks – purpose of Monday’s sessions
                        1. to analyze democratization efforts in each region
                           from a human rights perspective
                        2. to identify key conclusions and develop
                           recommendations to policy makers
                        3. to strategize on effective joint action

9:50 a.m.            Regional Presentations (2 country presentations followed by
                        comments from other countries of the region)
                        CIS (Russia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Belarus)

                        Discussion: Moderated by Archi Pyati

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.   Break

11:15 – 12:30 a.m.   Regional Presentations (1-2 country presentation from each region
                        followed by comments from other countries of the region)
                        Middle East (Tunisia, Egypt, Iran)
                        Asia (Afghanistan, Thailand, Indonesia)

                        Discussion: Moderated by Matt Easton

12:30 p.m.           BUFFET LUNCH
                        Working Lunch: Carter Center Programs
                        • Access to Information Project
                        • Observing Elections: standards and practice
                        • Campaign Finance and Media Mapping in Peru
                        Discussion, moderated by Karin Ryan
                        Location: Chapel (bring lunch to your seat)
2:00-3:00 p.m. Regional Presentations (2 country presentations followed by comments from other countries of the region)

**Americas** (Haiti, Peru, Bolivia, Guatemala, Colombia)

*Discussion: Moderated by Neil Hicks*

3:00-4:00 p.m. Regional Presentations (2 country presentations followed by comments from other countries of the region)

**Africa** (Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, DRC, Chad)

*Discussion: Moderated by Karin Ryan*

4:00-4:15 p.m. Break

4:15-6:00 p.m. Brief Remarks by **Hina Jilani**, UN Special Representative for Human Rights Defenders

**Concluding Discussion**
- Discuss Recommendations/Conclusions Document and Incorporate Regional Presentations
- Plans for Effective Joint Action

6:00 p.m. **BUFFET DINNER**

*Location: Rotunda*

7:00 p.m. Screening: “**State of Fear**”

*Location: Cyprus Room*

Community Discussion, led by Filmmakers and Sofia Macher, Peru, Neil Hicks (Human Rights First), Shelley McConnell (Carter Center)

9:30 p.m. BUSES DEPART from Carter Center Chapel

**TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2006 (BEGINNING OF FORMAL CONFERENCE)**

8:00 a.m. BUSES DEPART from lobby of Hotel

8:30-9:00 a.m. **BUFFET BREAKFAST**

*Location: Chapel Lobby*

9:00-9:55 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction of President Carter: Karin Ryan**

Musical Presentation: **Corneille** presents “Reposez en Paix”

**OPENING REMARKS by President Carter**
President Carter introduction of Louise Arbour
OPENING REMARKS by Louise Arbour
United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
Opening remarks by Maureen Byrnes, Human Rights First

9:55-10:00 a.m.** Conference Purposes and Themes Overview: Karin Ryan
Introduction of Featured Speakers:

10:00-10:40 a.m. **Defending Human Rights, the Values of Democracy**
Featured presenters:
Dr. Saad Ibrahim, Egypt
Dr. Sima Samar, Afghanistan
Betty Murungi, Kenya
Gabriela Contreras, Guatemala

10:40-11:10 a.m.*** Discussion, moderated by Karin Ryan

**Quickly to Group Photo.**

11:15-11:30 a.m. GROUP PHOTO
*Location: Steps outside Pod A*

11:35-11:45 a.m. BREAK
*Location: Chapel Lobby*

11:50 -12:45 p.m.** Retreat from Human Rights Standards
Introduction of Featured presenters: Neil Hicks
Yuri Dzhibladze, Russia
Leyla Yunusova, Azerbaijan

**Featured Presenter:** Hina Jilani, Special Representative to the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders

Discussion, moderated by Neil Hicks***

12:50-1:50 p.m. **BUFFET LUNCH**
*Location: Chapel Lobby*

2:00-3:15 p.m. **Addressing Economic, Social and Political Exclusion: A Growing Human Rights Imperative**

**Featured Presenters:**
Delphine Djiraibe, Chad
Guillermo Vilela, Bolivia
Clement Nwankwo, Nigeria
**Featured Presenter:**
Representative of the World Bank (TBD)*

Discussion, Moderated by Maureen Byrnes***

3:15-3:30 p.m. **BREAK**  
*Location: Chapel Lobby*

3:30-5:00 p.m. ***Wrap-Up Discussion**  
Moderated by President Carter and Louise Arbour

5:10-5:30 p.m. **RECEPTION**  
*Location: Cyprus Foyer*

5:30-6:45 p.m. **SEATED DINNER**  
*Location: Cyprus Room*

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. **"Seventh Symphony: Infinitude" The Universal Declaration of Human Rights PERFORMANCE by Composer Lee Johnson and String Quartet Introduced by Laura Emiko Soltis**  
*Location: Chapel*

7:45 p.m. **BUSES DEPART from Carter Center Executive Offices Entrance**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2006**

7:30 a.m. **BUSES DEPART from lobby of Hotel**

8:00-8:30 a.m. **BUFFET BREAKFAST**  
*Location: Chapel Lobby*

8:30-10:30 a.m. **Human Rights Policymaking: Protecting and Engaging with Human Rights Defenders**

In the United Nations: U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights Louise Arbour

In the United States:

- Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Barry Lowenkron
- Senator Joseph Biden, Senate Foreign Relations Committee*
At the World Bank: TBD

In the European Union: Johann Sattler

In the Organization of American States: Santiago Canton

In the African Union: Ms. Reine Alapini-Gansou, Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders in Africa

Discussion Moderated by President Carter***

10:30-10:45 a.m. BREAK
Location: Chapel Lobby

10:45-12:30 p.m. CLOSING DISCUSSION and Recommendations***

1:00-2:20 p.m. BUFFET LUNCH
Location: Chapel Lobby

Break

3:00-3:45 p.m.** PRESS CONFERENCE
Location: Cyprus Room

4:15 p.m. BUSES DEPART from Carter Center Chapel to hotel and airport

*INVITED
**SESSION ON THE RECORD
***SESSION OFF THE RECORD (BACKGROUND ONLY, FOR PRESS)