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HONG KONG, February 17, 2006 — Jim Williams, director of US-VISIT, a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) program is to deliver a keynote at the upcoming GOVSEC ASIA Summit in Hong Kong. Mr. Williams is the chief architect of e-Passports for travelers entering United States. E-passports contain the travelers biographic and biometric information. Since January 15, 2006, e-Passports have been undergoing trial at Terminal G at San Francisco International Airport (SFO). This test, the second in a series, is a collaborative effort between the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Singapore that will run through April 15, 2006. “This test provides an important opportunity to work with our international partners to further the Department of Homeland Security’s efforts to put in place an e-Passport reader solution by the fall of this year,” said Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams upcoming keynote is part of GOVSEC ASIA’s high level program focusing on global security and emergency preparedness issues. Other keynote presenters include Mr. Richard Clarke, Counter Terrorism Czar, Former National Security Council Advisor to three US Presidents; Mr. Dick Lee, Commissioner, Hong Kong Police; Mr. Charles Phalen, Jr., Assistant Director, Security Division, FBI; LTC Eric Yapp, Director of Operations, Singapore Civil Defense Force; Prof. Clive Williams, Director of Terrorism Intelligence Center, Australian National University; and Merrick Chatfield, Disaster Risk Management Adviser, National Disaster Management Office. Over 20 international authorities and experts who are well versed on such topics as counter terrorism, first response, law enforcement, information security, critical infrastructure security, transportation security, port and maritime security will be speaking. The Summit takes place on 28 – 29 March, 2006 at the Clearwater Bay Golf & Country Club.

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