Speaking Schedule

No individual affiliated with the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council may accept an honorarium for a speaking engagement; any honorariums required/offered by a host will be provided to the organization. As with any non-profit organization, payment/reimbursement of travel-related expenses are appreciated.

The U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council accepts invitations from government (United States and other), corporate (United States and other) and media (United States and other) which are not published in the Speaking Schedule.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver remarks at the inaugural conference sponsored by the Cuba Business Club on 4 October 2018 at Villa Valmer in Marseille, France.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver remarks at the Baruch College (CUNY) Marxe School of Public and International Affairs in conjunction with the annual Public Affairs Week on 20 March 2018 in New York City.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the “Doing Business In Cuba: Legal, Ethical, And Compliance Challenges” conference sponsored by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (www.ethics.miamidade.gov) on 10 March 2017 at Barry University in Miami Shores, Florida.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in a corporate executives roundtable hosted by the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) Corporate Program in New York City, New York, from 7:45 am to 9:00 am on 22 January 2016. For additional information, please access www.cfr.org/corporate

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in “Doing Business With Cuba- The Landscape Today & Expectations” on 27 January 2016 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm presented by Welke Customs Brokers (www.welke.com) at the Genesee County Economic Development Center in Batavia, New York.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to address members and guests of East Chapel Hill Rotary Club in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, at 1:00 pm on 13 May 2016. For additional information, please access www.echrotary.org
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to address members and guests of World Trade Center Delaware in Wilmington, Delaware, on 17 May 2016. For additional information, please access www.wtcede.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to address participants attending the 2016 Annual Conference of the Special Libraries Association in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 4:00 pm on 13 June 2016. For additional information, please access www.sla.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in the plenary session “Impact of Cuba-US Relations on the Caribbean” at the Seventh Annual HRA Business Investment Expo & Conference in Washington, DC, on 15 June 2016, at the Marvin Conference Center-George Washington University. For additional information, please access www.hra-intl.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in a panel discussion at the conference Ports & Commodities Americas on 1/2 September 2016 in Miami, Florida. For additional information, please access www.carlotime.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation at the Western Dredging Association Central America Chapter Annual Meeting on 13/15 September 2016 at the Hilton Panama in Panama City, Panama. For information, please access https://www.westerndredging.org/index.php/regionalchapters/central-america-chapter

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in “Doing Business In Cuba” on 21 September 2016 from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm presented by the Greater Cleveland Partnership/COSE and Welke Customs Brokers in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Y’s Men of Westport/Weston [Connecticut] to deliver remarks on 22 September 2016 at the Saugatuck Congregational Church. For additional information, please access www.ysmenwestportweston.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to address members of the Institute for Private Investors & Campden Wealth at the Metropolitan Club in New York City on 5 October 2016. For additional information, please access www.memberlink.net

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in a panel discussion “Preparing for Trade with Cuba” by NEXCO (www.nexco.org) in Miami, Florida, on 13 October 2016. For additional information, please access www.nexco.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation at the Western Dredging Association Eastern Chapter Annual Meeting on 23/24 October 2016 at the Fort Lauderdale Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. For information, please access https://www.westerndredging.org

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Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in the U.S.-Cuba Legal Summit in New York City, New York, on 1 December 2015 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at The University Club of New York. For additional information, please access https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ehome/136716

Mr. John S. Kavulich, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation at the Western Dredging Association Eastern Chapter Annual Meeting on 29 October 2015 at the Le Meridien Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 10:30 am on 29 October 2015. For information, please access https://www.westerndredging.org/index.php/regionalchapters/eastern-chapter
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in a panel discussion hosted “Preparing for Trade with Cuba” by NEXCO (www.nexco.org) at Sofitel Miami, Florida, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm on 9 October 2015. For additional information, please access www.nexco.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to offer remarks at the Cuba Finance, Infrastructure & Investment Summit in New York, New York, from 8:00 am to 5:45 pm on 8 October 2015. The focus of the event is understanding and capitalizing on Cuba investment and financing opportunities. For additional information, please contact www.momentumevents.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to offer remarks at the 2nd U.S.-Cuba Corporate Counsel Summit in New York, New York, from 8:00 am to 5:15 pm on 7 October 2015. The focus of the event is navigating the legal and regulatory challenges facing United States organizations entering the Cuban market. For additional information, please contact www.momentumevents.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to be a panelist for a “Times Journeys” discussion hosted by Mr. Anthony DePalma for participants in “Cuba. The Time is Now: A People-to-People Experience” sponsored by The New York Times at Sofitel Miami on 5 June 2015 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to participate in a panel discussion hosted by NEXCO (www.nexco.org) in conjunction with World Trade Week NYC. “Preparing for Trade with Cuba” will be held at Club Quarters Midtown (40 West 45th Street) in New York City, New York, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on 12 May 2015. For additional information, please access www.worldtradeweeknyc.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to be the luncheon speaker at the one-day conference sponsored by Appalachian State University, “Cuba Answers: Expert advice on new opportunities to do business with Cuba” in Boone, North Carolina, on 30 April 2015. For additional information, please access www.international.business.appstate.edu/cuba

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to offer remarks at the U.S.-Cuba Corporate Counsel Summit in New York, New York, on 24 March 2015. The focus of the event is navigating the legal and regulatory challenges facing US organizations entering the Cuban market. For additional information, please contact www.momentumevents.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Washington, DC-based Washington International Trade Association (WITA) to deliver a presentation at The Thawing of U.S.-Cuban Relations: What does it really mean for trade? on 14 January 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Washington, D.C.-based National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL) to deliver a presentation at the organization’s Annual Legislative Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on 1 December 2004. For additional information, please contact Ms. Abeo F. Nitakayefanya Anderson at telephone (202) 624-5457; facsimile (202) 508-3826; e-mail: abeof@nbcsl.com; or Internet: http://www.nbcsl.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Jackson, Mississippi-based Mississippi Development Authority to deliver a presentation at the “Unveiling Market Opportunities in the Caribbean” seminar on 12 August 2004. For additional information, please contact Mr. Enrique Hurtado at telephone (601) 359-3155; facsimile (601) 359-3605; e-mail: ehurtado@mississippi.org; and Internet: http://www.mississippi.org
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Nampa, Idaho-based U.S. Dry Bean Convention to deliver a presentation on 28 July 2004 at the organization’s annual gathering, to be held at the Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The U.S. Dry Bean Convention includes five dealer associations: California Bean Shippers, Michigan Bean Shippers, Rocky Mountain Bean Dealers, North Central Bean Dealers, and Western Bean Dealers. For additional information, please contact Ms. Gloria A. Smith at telephone (208) 463-1289; facsimile (208) 463-1238; e-mail: usdbc@earthlink.net; or Internet: http://www.usdbc.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from The Cuban Research Institute of the Latin American and Caribbean Center at Miami, Florida-based Florida International University to deliver a presentation at the “Florida/Cuba Trade: Present and Future Challenges and Opportunities” conference on 10 June 2004 at The Biltmore Hotel in Coral Cables, Florida. For additional information, please contact Mr. Damien Fernandez at telephone (305) 348-1991; facsimile: (305) 348-3593; e-mail: fernande@fiu.edu; or Internet: http://www.fi.edu

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from The San Juan, Puerto Rico-based Puerto Rico Export Council to deliver a presentation on 11 May 2004 at the “Cuba: An Emerging Market” seminar. For additional information, please contact Mr. Eduardo Fernandez at telephone (787) 273-6100 ext. 711; facsimile (787) 273-6872; e-mail: efernandez@panamericangrain.com; or Internet: http://www.promoexport.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the World Trade Center of Greater Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to deliver a presentation on 23 April 2004 on “The Commercial Environment Between the United States and the Republic of Cuba” at the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. For additional information, please contact Ms. Kati Farrer at telephone (856) 968-2046; facsimile (856) 968-2056; e-mail: kfarret@drpa.org; or Internet: http://www.wtchiladelphia.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Tisch School of the Arts at New York University to deliver a presentation on 8 April 2004 to students in the course, “Topics in Cuban Culture: History, Culture, and Expression through the Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts.” For additional information, please contact Ms. Peggy Sotirhos at telephone (212) 998-1809; facsimile (212) 998-4610; and e-mail: peggy.sotirhos@nyu.edu

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Port of Corpus Christi, Texas, to deliver a presentation at the “Americas Unitas” Conference in Corpus Christi, Texas, on 24 February 2004. For additional information, please contact Mr. Thomas S. Moore at telephone (361) 885-6211; facsimile (361) 881-5155; e-mail: tmoore@pocca.com; or Internet: http://www.portofcorpuschristi.com

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from The University Of Iowa, in Iowa City, Iowa, to deliver the closing commentary on 7 February 2004 at the “Whither Goes Cuba? Prospects for Economic & Social Development” symposium sponsored by The University of Iowa Center for International Finance & Development (UICIFD) and the University of Iowa College of Law on 6 February 2004 and 7 February 2004. For additional information, please contact Mr. Enrique Carrasco at telephone (319) 335-9059; facsimile (319) 335-9098; e-mail: Enrique-carrasco@uiowa.edu; or Internet: http://www.uiowa.edu/ifdebook
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Iowa City, Iowa-based Iowa City Foreign Relations Council to deliver a luncheon presentation on 5 February 2004. For additional information, please contact Mr. Thomas Baldridge at telephone (319) 335-0351; facsimile (319) 333-2033; e-mail: Thomas-baldridge@uiowa.edu; or Internet: http://www.uiowa.edu/~icfrc

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the James A. Baker III Institute For Public Policy Student Forum at Houston, Texas-based Rice University, to participate in the “Cuban-American Relations in the 21st Century” program, with a date to be determined. For additional information, please contact Ms. Emery Ellis or Ms. Noorain Khan at telephone (713) 348-4683; facsimile (713) 348-5993; e-mail: bisf@rice.edu; or Internet: http://www.bakerinstitute.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation, “Dry Beans and Cuba: Opening The Trade Doors,” to the 650 participants attending the joint “Bean Day” meeting of the Frazee, Minnesota-based Northarvest Bean Growers Association and the Moorhead, Minnesota-based North Central Bean Dealers Association on 24 January 2003 at in Fargo, North Dakota. For additional information, please contact Mr. Gary Paur at telephone (218) 334-6351; facsimile (218) 334 6360; or e-mail: nhbean@loretel.net

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, will be in the city of Dallas, Texas on from 26 February 2003 at the invitation of a United States-based company to meet with executives with respect to transactions authorized under provisions of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act (TSRA) of 2002.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Austin, Texas-based Texas Cuba Trade Alliance to be the inaugural guest on the organization’s first public conference call on 27 February 2003 at 9:30 a.m. (Central Time). For additional information, please contact Dr. Parr Rosson at telephone (979) 845-3070; facsimile (979) 847-9378; e-mail: prosson@tamu.edu

“The Texas Cuba Trade Alliance (TCTA) serves as a collective information hub for Texans wanting to export to Cuba. ‘While federal law currently allows the export of agricultural products and food products to Cuba, there is low recognition and awareness of these opportunities,’ said Glen Jones, director of Research, Education and Policy Development for the Texas Farm Bureau. Texas farmers, ranchers, and agribusinesses will have access to a TCTA Internet site (http://www.tcta.us) that covers trade related topics and provides access to trade related resources. The media and public are invited to participate in TCTA conference calls on current topics, which will provide a forum for questions and comments. The first public TCTA conference call is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 27 at 9:30 a.m. and will last about one hour. John Kavulich, president of the US-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, will be the featured speaker and will discuss ‘Doing Business with Cuba.’ To register for the conference call contact (979) 845-3070.”

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California (USC) to deliver a presentation on 8 March 2003 at a preparatory gathering for the 2003 PM.Globe visit to the Republic of Cuba by students in the USC MBA Program for Professionals and Managers (MBA-PM). “PM.Globe is scheduled halfway through the MBA program and is part of the students’ exposure to global economics and the challenges of doing business in a global environment. Prior to their overseas travel, MBA students take classes and undertake case studies. The culmination of their experience is a trip to a host country or countries they have already studied in depth and a more in depth analysis of companies and industry sectors that they visit during their overseas trip.” For additional information, please contact Mr. David Dale-Johnson at telephone (213) 740-6526 and e-mail: ddj@marshall.usc.edu
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the New York, New York-based **Tisch School of the Arts at New York University** to deliver a presentation on 17 April 2003 to students in the course, “Topics in Cuban Culture: History, Culture, and Expression through the Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts.” *For additional information, please contact Ms. Peggy Sotirhos at telephone (212) 998-1809; facsimile (212) 998-4610; and e-mail: peggy.sotirhos@nyu.edu*

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the New Orleans, Louisiana-based **The Southern United States Trade Association (SUSTA)**, a non-profit agricultural export trade development association comprised of the Departments of Agriculture of the 15 southern states and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, to deliver a presentation in Atlanta, Georgia, on 23 April 2003. Additional members of SUSTA include manufacturers and exporters of high-value food and agricultural products. SUSTA was founded in 1973 to promote the export of high-value food and agricultural products from the region. *For additional information, please contact Mr. Jim Ake at telephone (504) 568-5986; facsimile (504) 568-6010; e-mail: jim@susta.org; Internet: http://www.susta.org*

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Cocoa Beach, Florida-based **Air Transport Marketing Association** to deliver a presentation during a panel discussion, “The State of the Air Cargo Industry: CEO Perspectives,” at the 12th annual International Air Cargo Conference, the largest annual air cargo conference in North America, on 13 May 2003, at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, Florida. *For additional information, please contact Mr. Terry Heekin at telephone (321) 783-0088; facsimile (321) 783-2115; e-mail: sruell@hotmail.com; Internet: http://www.iacc-expo.com*

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Nampa, Idaho-based **U.S. Dry Bean Council** to deliver a presentation on 27 July 2003 at the organization’s annual convention, in Branson, Missouri. *For additional information, please contact Ms. Gloria A. Smith at telephone (208) 463-1289; facsimile (208) 463-1238; e-mail: usdbc@earthlink.net; or Internet: http://www.usdbc.org*

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Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation at 10:15 a.m. on 4 December 2002 at the annual **Americas Food & Beverage Show and Conference** at the World Trade Center Miami in Miami, Florida. *For additional information, please contact Mr. John Price at telephone (305) 569-9133 ext. 202; facsimile (305) 716-9253; e-mail: jprice@infoamericas.com; and Internet: http://www.worldtrade.org/food*

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to deliver a presentation at the annual members meeting of the Fargo, North Dakota-based **North Dakota Farm Bureau** on 23 November 2002. *For additional information, please contact Mr. Brian Kramer at telephone (701) 298-2200; facsimile (701) 298-2210; e-mail: bkramer@ndfb.org; and Internet: http://www.ndfb.org*

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to moderate a panel on “Forming New Trade Alliances” at the annual **Port Symposium 2002** on 31 October 2002 at the Grand Oasis Resort in Gulfport, Mississippi, which will focus upon “Emerging Trends and Strategies in Maritime Economic Development.” Port Symposium 2002 is sponsored by the University of Mississippi and the Mississippi State Port Authority. *For additional information, please contact Ms. Melody Bradley-Moeller at telephone (228) 867-8779; facsimile (228) 867-8789; and e-mail: melody.moeller@usm.edu*
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to present comments on the, “Cuba In The Future,” remarks of The Honorable Vicki Huddleston, immediate past Chief of the United States Interests Section in Havana, Republic of Cuba, at The World Affairs Forum in Stamford, Connecticut, on 21 October 2002. The event will be held at 63 North Main Street in Norwalk, Connecticut, at 6:00 p.m. For information, please contact Eileen Heaphy at telephone (203) 356-0340 or e-mail: info@worldaffairsforum.org.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to be a discussant for a panel on the External Sector at the twelfth annual meeting of the Silver Spring, Maryland-based Association for the Study of the Cuban Economy (ASCE) on 1 August 2002 at the Omni Colonnade Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida. For additional information, please contact Mr. Stuart Lippe at telephone: (202) 647-4208; facsimile (202) 647-2628; e-mail: stuartlippe@hotmail.com; and Internet: http://www.ascecuba.org

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, accepted an invitation to deliver luncheon remarks at the 13th Annual Executive Conference & Membership Meeting of the U.S.A. Poultry & Egg Export Council (USAPEEC) in Montreal, Canada, on 28 June 2002. Mr. Kavulich’s remarks immediately followed the Special Guest Speaker, Mr. Pedro Alvarez Borrego, Chairman of Empresa Cubana Importadora Aliementos (Alimport), under the auspice of the Ministry of Foreign Trade of Cuba.

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation to give a presentation “Cuba: The Petroleum Future & Future Potential” at the Sanctioned Oil States Conference: Strategies, Conflicts, Legalities, Investments & Issues on 21 May 2002 at the Paris Marriott Hotel in Paris, France. For additional information, please contact Ms. Amanda Wellbeloved, Global Pacific & Partners at telephone 27 11 778-4360; facsimile 27 11 880-3391; e-mail: amanda@glopac.com; and Internet: http://www.glopac.com

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Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from Decatur, Illinois-based Decatur Sister Cities Committee to deliver a presentation at the 2002 Illinois State Sister Cities Convention on 13 April 2002. For additional information, please contact Mr. Bruce Nims at telephone (217) 877-5177; facsimile (217) 877-5732; and e-mail: bims@nims.net

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Port of Pensacola, Florida, to give a luncheon presentation on 11 April 2002 at the Gulf Ports Association of the Americas (GPAA) Spring Meeting 2002 at The Hampton Inn on Pensacola Beach. For additional information, please contact Mr. Dean Hinton at telephone (850) 436-5070; Facsimile (850) 436-5076; and e-mail: dhinton@ci.pensacola.fl.us

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the College Station, Texas-based North American Agricultural Journalists (NAAJ) to give a presentation on 9 April 2002 at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., to members of the association. NAAJ is “a professional, international group of agricultural editors and writers with a membership spanning the United States and Canada. Formerly the Newspaper Farm Editors of America, and then the National Association of Agricultural Journalists, it was organized in 1952 to promote the highest ideals of journalism and agricultural coverage…. Eligible for membership are journalists in North America who report or edit agricultural news for newspapers, magazines, wires and syndicated services and are independent of agricultural organizations and businesses.” For additional information, please contact Mr. Edward Maixner at e-mail: maixner@patriot.net
Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California (USC) to deliver a presentation on 2 March 2002 at a preparatory gathering for the 2002 PM.Globe visit to Mexico and the Republic of Cuba from 8 March 2002 to 16 March 2002 by students in the USC MBA Program for Professionals and Managers (MBA-PM). “PM.Globe is scheduled halfway through the MBA program and is part of the students' exposure to global economics and the challenges of doing business in a global environment. Prior to their overseas travel, MBA students take classes and undertake case studies. The culmination of their experience is a trip to a host country or countries they have already studied in depth and a more in depth analysis of companies and industry sectors that they visit during their overseas trip.” For additional information, please contact Mr. David Dale-Johnson at telephone (213) 740-6526 and e-mail: ddj@marshall.usc.edu

Mr. John S. Kavulich II, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, has accepted an invitation from Oakbrook, Illinois-based Farm Foundation to give a presentation at the Farm Foundation’s “Bennett Agricultural Roundtable” in Coral Gables, Florida, on 10 January 2002.