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Good evening. I am glad you are here. We enjoyed a great meal and I am sure that our two speakers tonight are going to keep you awake for the next hour or so.

My name is Marcella Szel. I am Canadian. I am with the Canadian Pacific Railroad. I am not a specialist in trade issues and I am proud of that.

We just finished talking, interestingly enough, about the link between markets and social values. I would like to believe that protection of the environment is a social value. There is a definite link between trade and social values.

We have again more stars here tonight, one of whom I think many of you know. I will introduce both Gary and Sarah at one time. Gary will be speaking first, then Sarah will speak.

Gary Horlick is a Washington-based partner in the law firm of O'Melveny & Meyers, L.L.P. (I wonder if your foreign clients can pronounce that. I am a foreign client and I cannot pronounce it). It is a law firm in Washington, D.C. specializing in international trade in goods and services. He also currently teaches at Georgetown Law Center and has taught international trade at the Yale Law School. He served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration from June 1981 to June 1983, and was responsible for the U.S. investigations of anti-dumping and countervailing duty complaints and for the negotiations and implementation of the U.S.-E.C. trade arrangements on steel and administration of statutory import programs and foreign trade zones.

He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and of the Trade Subcouncil of the Competitiveness Policy Council. He is one of five members of the World Trade Organization's permanent group of experts dealing with subsidies. He's also a member of the U.S. Court of International Trade's Advisory Committee on Rules.

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Mr. Horlick is a graduate of Dartmouth College, Cambridge, and Yale Law School. Mr. Horlick is also an expert on hotels around the world, particularly in Moscow and Geneva. If you want to know anything about them, just ask him.

First of all, let me just compliment our Canadian speaker, Sarah Richardson, on stepping in very quickly for the previous speaker. She has taken it upon herself to come down here on very short notice and we are all very grateful for her being able to do that. Thank you.

Sarah is the Program Manager of the NAFTA Environment Program for the Commission for Environment Cooperation in Montreal. Prior to joining this group, Sarah was the Foreign Policy Advisor to the National Round Table on Environment and Economy in Ottawa, which advises the Prime Minister of Canada on sustainable development matters.

Her work is focused on opportunities for sustainable development to the North America Free Trade Agreement and its accompanying environmental side agreement, and also to the World Trade Organization, the Summit of the Americas in Miami, and the Group of Seven.

Sarah has a degree in International Relations from the University of Toronto, an LL.B. from Dalhousie University in Halifax, and an LL.M. from Columbia University in New York. Sarah has, like many of these stars here, many publications and books to her credit. Sarah will be speaking to some of the issues dealing with protection of the environment on the Canadian side of the border.