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## PAUL WOLFOWITZ TO SUCCEED WILLIAM BROCK AS CHAIRMAN OF THE US-TAIWAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

The US-Taiwan Business Council is pleased to announce that Dr. Paul D. Wolfowitz has accepted the post of Chairman of the Board of the US-Taiwan Business Council.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Dr. Wolfowitz to the Council. His extensive experience with policy, economic, and defense matters - spanning the breadth of the US-Taiwan relationship - makes him a perfect choice for the position. Dr. Wolfowitz has a history of public service and international scholarship, he has long been an articulate supporter of Taiwan's vibrant democracy, and he is well versed in the complexities of the political, trade, and business relationship between the United States and Taiwan.

"I have seen first hand the important role that the US-Taiwan Business Council plays in bilateral relations, and I am honored to join its distinguished Board as Chairman" Wolfowitz said. "As we look towards an exciting future, with significant changes underfoot both in Taiwan and in the U.S., I am excited about this opportunity to work with the Council's Board and staff on important initiatives, and hope to contribute to the Council's ongoing success."

Paul Wolfowitz is currently a Visiting Scholar in Foreign and Defense Policy Studies at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) in Washington, D.C. He most recently served as President of the World Bank and as Deputy Secretary of Defense. Prior to the Pentagon assignment, he was Dean and Professor of International Relations at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Wolfowitz has also served as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, and as Director of Policy Planning at the Department of State. He worked as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Regional Programs at the Department of Defense and as Special Assistant to the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks in the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. Dr. Wolfowitz received a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Cornell University, and a doctorate in political science from the University of Chicago.

Previous US-Taiwan Business Council Chairmen include William E. Brock, William S. Cohen, Frank C. Carlucci, William P. Clark, Dan Tellep, Caspar Weinberger, and David Kennedy.

## **About the US-Taiwan Business Council:**

The US-Taiwan Business Council (www.us-taiwan.org) is a membership-based non-profit association, founded in 1976 to foster trade and business relations between the United States and Taiwan. The Council provides its members with business intelligence, offers access to an extensive network of relationships, and serves as a vital and effective representative in dealing with business, trade, and investment matters.

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