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SAN FRANCISCO — From the effects of deforestation on the indigenous people of Siberia to NAFTA from a Mexican perspective, improving the human environment and promoting international human rights will be the focus of more than a dozen Fulbright scholars during a day-long symposium on Friday, March 18 in room 650 at Golden Gate University, 536 Mission St. The symposium is free and open to the public.

Current and former Fulbright legal scholars will explore diverse topics related to global and regional developments in the international protection of environmental and human rights at the fourth annual Fulbright Symposium on International Legal Problems, scheduled in conjunction with the regional meeting of the American Society of International Law.

The first session is from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Scheduled topics are "Turkish Environmental Law and Policy: Constitutional Protection of Environmental Rights" by Hilal Zilelioglu, professor of law at Ankara University in Turkey; "Environmental Protection in the Jurisprudence of the European Court of Justice: Will a Fundamental Right be Recognized?" by Barton Selden, Golden Gate University Law School professor; "The Impact of Deforestation on the Indigenous People of Siberia" by Armin Rosencranz, president of the Pacific Energy and Resources Center and a law professor at Golden Gate University; "Developments in the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights: The Case of the Huaorani" by Adriana Fabra Aguilar of the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund; "The Whaling Commission and the Protection of Human Environment" by David Caron, a Boalt Hall law professor; and "Environment and Human Rights at the International Court of Justice: Recent Developments" by Dinah Shelton, a

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law professor at Santa Clara University School of Law. Also participating in the session will be two Golden Gate University law professors, Joel Marsh as the chair and moderator and Clifford Rechtschaffen as the rapporteur.

The afternoon session is scheduled from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Scheduled topics are "Recent Developments in the International Protection of Human Rights" by Frank C. Newman, a law professor at Boalt Hall and at the University of San Francisco Law School; "Human Rights and the Environment: Developments in the Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and other U.N. Bodies" by Michelle Leighton Schwartz of the Natural Heritage Institute; "An International Human Right to Water: Domestic and Global Implementation" by Stephen C. McCaffrey, a law professor at the McGeorge School of Law; "NAFTA: Promotion of Environmental Human Rights from a Mexican Perspective" by Jorge A. Vargas, a law professor at the University of San Diego School of Law; "Kampuchea: A Case Study on the Need for Legal Infrastructure to Ensure Implementation of Environmental and Human Rights" by Dolores Donovan, a law professor at the University of San Francisco School of Law; and "ASEAN Rejection of Conditionalities between Sustainable Development and Human Rights Promotion" by Sompong Sucharitkul, the distinguished professor of law at Golden Gate University Law School. Homer Angelo, emeritus professor of law, University of California, Davis, is the co-chair and moderator. Alexandre Kiss, vice president of Institut International des Droits de l'Homme will be the rapporteur.

The symposium is cosponsored by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars and Golden Gate University School of Law, International Law Association, Environmental Law Society, the Asian Pacific Law Students Association, the American Bar Association Law Students Division, and the Headlands Forum for International and Comparative Environmental Law.

For more information, call the Golden Gate University School of Law, 415/442-6653.

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