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Institute Announces Veteran Diplomat, Foundation President
Robert Gallucci as Spring 2010 Commencement Speaker
President of MacArthur Foundation to Address Institute Graduates May 22

Monterey, CA – The Monterey Institute of International Studies is pleased to announce that Robert Gallucci, president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and a leading voice regarding nuclear nonproliferation and arms control, will be the Institute’s spring 2010 commencement speaker. He will also be awarded an honorary degree during the ceremony, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 22nd at 1:00 p.m. on the front lawn of historic Colton Hall in Monterey.

Robert Gallucci became president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation on July 1, 2009, after serving previously as dean of Georgetown University’s Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service for 13 years. He completed 21 years of government service, serving since August 1994 with the U.S. Department of State as ambassador at large. In March 1998, the Department of State announced his appointment as special envoy to deal with the threat posed by the proliferation of ballistic missiles and weapons of mass destruction. He held this position, concurrent with his appointment at Georgetown, until January 2001.

Gallucci began his foreign affairs career at the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency in 1974, serving over the next decade in a series of positions at the State Department, including as an office director in both the Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs and in the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. In 1984, he left Washington to serve as the deputy director general of the Multinational Force and Observers, the Sinai peacekeeping force headquartered in Rome, Italy. Returning in 1988, he joined the faculty of the National War College until, in 1991, he moved to United Nations Headquarters in New York to take up an appointment as the deputy executive chairman of the UN Special Commission (UNSCOM) overseeing the disarmament of Iraq. He returned to Washington in February 1992 to be the senior coordinator responsible for nonproliferation and nuclear safety initiatives in the former Soviet Union in the Office of the Deputy Secretary. In July 1992, he was confirmed as the assistant secretary of state for political-military affairs.

Robert Gallucci holds a bachelor’s degree from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and a master’s and doctorate in Politics from Brandeis University. He has taught at Swarthmore College, Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies, and Georgetown University, and has authored a number of publications on political-military issues including Neither Peace Nor Honor: The Politics of American

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