Russian Ambassador to Speak at Monterey Institute
Former Deputy Foreign Minister to Address Current U.S.-Russian Relations

Monterey, CA – The Monterey Institute of International Studies and the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies will host Russian Ambassador to the United States Sergey Kislyak on Wednesday August 26, 2009 for an open discussion titled “A Conversation About U.S. – Russian Relations.” Dr. William Potter, director of the Center, will serve as moderator for the session, scheduled from 2:15 pm to 3:30 pm in the Irvine Auditorium, inside the McConé Building at 499 Pierce Street in Monterey.

Ambassador Kislyak served as Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation from 2003-2008, before being appointed Ambassador to the United States last fall. His service in the Russian and Soviet Foreign Ministries stretches over 30 years and includes past postings with the Soviet Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., as well as more recent roles as Director of the Department of Security Affairs and Disarmament, and Ambassador to Belgium and Permanent Representative of Russia to NATO.

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McConé Building
499 Pierce St. (Corner of Pierce & Jefferson)
Monterey, CA 93940

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