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Ambassador Raminder Singh Jassal Deputy Chief of Mission Embassy of India

Thursday, November 30, 2006
11:30 a.m. Registration & Networking
12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Luncheon & Program

The Club
State Room
1 Robert Smith Drive
Birmingham Alabama

Ambassador Raminder Singh Jassal joined his new post as Deputy Chief of Mission Embassy of India, Washington DC on January 17, 2005. He served as India's Ambassador to Israel from 2001-2004, when relations between India and Israel took rapid strides forward in all areas.

Ambassador Jassal joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1976 (after graduating from Delhi University), his first assignment being in Moscow, where he became fluent in Russian. He subsequently was First Secretary at Warsaw, Deputy Secretary in the Americas Division in the Ministry of External Affairs in Delhi, Political Counsellor at the Embassy of India in Washington and later at the Embassy of India in Moscow, Director (West Africa, North Africa) and later Joint Secretary (Central Asia) in the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi, and Joint Secretary (Planning & Coordination) in the Ministry of Defence. He also served with distinction as the official Spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs.

India's economic prospects are stable and strong, with the GDP trend growth gradually inching upward to 7.5 percent. The service sector is dynamic, the industrial sector is benefiting from gradual deregulation, trade liberalization and modest improvements in infrastructure. The Business environment is likely to improve in the coming years, sustaining private investment and economic growth. *Standard & Poors*

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