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CHINA: BANG OR BUST? ST. THOMAS TO HOST ECONOMIC DEBATE

(SPARKILL, NY – MARCH 24, 2008) – St. Thomas Aquinas College will host The Great Debate, a presentation on “The Rise of China and India – Boon or Trouble for us?” on Saturday, March 29 at 12:00pm, announced Mr. Michael Murphy, Division Chair of Business Administration.

"This debate is the first of a series of events to examine current conditions in the business environment," commented Alan Colsey, director of the M.B.A. Program. "It should be fast, informative and provide an interesting view of significant issues impacting the global economy."

The discussion will feature presentations from Dr. Roger Levy, Associate Professor of International Business & Marketing and Dr. Joel Cohn, adjunct professor, MBA program and Global Account Director for Gartner, Inc. Moderating the event will be Harold Gannon, Senior Vice President, Corporate Tax, Mutual of America Life Insurance Company.

Dr. Levy, an associate professor at the College, has published papers on the effect of developing economies and their role in the global economy. He will present the benefits of a strong Chinese economy. Dr. Cohn's experience includes business applications consulting with several international accounts around the world including Argentina, Australia, Chile, China, France, Hong Kong, Russia, Thailand and United Kingdom. He will present the threats of a strong Chinese economy.

Participants will have an opportunity to join the discussion through a question and answer section which will follow the debate. The event will be held on the St. Thomas Aquinas College campus in Costello Hall. This event is free and open to the community.

For more information, please contact Alan B. Colsey at 845-398-4109 or e-mail mba@stac.edu.

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