



Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, Esther Brimmer to Ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell

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What:

In honor of United Nations week, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, Esther Brimmer will visit the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square to officially ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell.

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Friday, September 23rd, 2011 — 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Feed Information:

The Opening Bell is available from 9:20 a.m. to 9:35 a.m. on AMC3 / C20, downlink frequency 4100 vertical. The feed can also be found on Ascent fiber 1623. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Knapp at (212) 401-8916.

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at:
<http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.aspx> or <http://social.nasdaqomx.com>.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to http://www.nasdaq.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm and click on the market open of your choice.

About Esther Brimmer, Assistant Secretary of State to International Organization Affairs:

Dr. Esther Brimmer was nominated by President Obama to the position of Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizations on March 11, 2009, and was confirmed to that position by the United States Senate on April 2, 2009. In her role as Assistant Secretary, Dr. Brimmer leads the Bureau of International Organization Affairs, which strives to advance U.S. interests through international organizations in areas including human rights, peacekeeping, food security, humanitarian relief,

and climate change.

Prior to her appointment, Dr. Brimmer was Deputy Director and Director of Research at the Center for Transatlantic Relations at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at The Johns Hopkins University. There she specialized in transatlantic political and security affairs.

Dr. Brimmer's previous government service included two years in the State Department's Office of Policy Planning, where she worked on European Union, Western Europe, UN, and multilateral security issues. Dr. Brimmer was also a member of the United States delegation to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights in spring 2000. From 1993-1995 she served as Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs. In that capacity she worked on UN, peacekeeping, human rights and political-military issues.

Dr. Brimmer has previously worked as a Senior Associate at the Carnegie Commission on Preventing Deadly Conflict, as a Legislative Analyst at the Democratic Study Group in the U.S. House of Representatives, and as a management consultant with McKinsey & Company. Dr. Brimmer received her D.Phil. (Ph.D.) and master's degrees in international relations from the University of Oxford and her B.A. in international relations from Pomona College in Claremont, California.

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