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CONTACT: Russell Leong; write uschinainfo@aasc.ucla.edu to request a copy. UCLA Publishes 'Presidents Edition' of U.S./China Media Brief

LOS ANGELES - In advance of President Obama's historic visit to the People's Republic of China, the UCLA Asian American Studies Center's U.S./China Media Brief has published its "Presidents Edition," which serves a vital reference tool for American media outlets.

The 24-page, six-color 2009 U.S./China Media Brief contains maps, charts and commentary, with summaries of the major issues that will form the backdrop of President Obama's first foray to China, following the recent trips by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner.

This must-have publication succinctly summarizes key issues in U.S.-China relations today and provides the background of 30-years of U.S.-China relations at the presidential level. Supplemental Web features will launch in August at its Web site, http://www.USChinaMediaBrief.com. (For free updates visit: http://www.aasc.ucla.edu/uschina/subscribe.asp)

Exclusive features developed by the UCLA Asian American Studies' team of core researchers, faculty and media experts for the print and electronic Presidents Edition include:

- o A compact **Presidential Chart and Guide** with historic photos of American and Chinese leaders from Nixon to Obama and from Mao Zedong to Hu Jintao that traces three decades of Sino-American normalization.
- o **China and the U.S. in the World,** a seven-page, six-color fold-out map that compares U.S. and Chinese energy, resources, and influence in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East developed by Harvard-trained researcher Sharon Owyang.
- o Commentaries by former **President Jimmy Carter** and **UC Berkeley Professor L. Ling-chi Wang.**
- o An illustrated **U.S.-China Timeline** that covers more than 200 years.

According to UCLA Professor Russell Leong, the director and editor of the U.S./China Media Brief, this latest publication follows the success of 2008's Olympics edition, which was developed to give mainstream U.S. media outlets and others quick access to information and expertise needed to cover U.S.-China issues in a clear and balanced way.

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