

Newly Merged Council for International Trade Meets for First Time



At the first meeting of the newly merged California Chamber of Commerce Council for International Trade are (from left) Jack McDougle, U.S. Department of Commerce (who reported on U.S. competitiveness and pending free trade agreements); Garrett Ashley, California Business, Transportation and Housing Agency (who summarized a pending study on the role of the state in international trade); Council Chair Susan Corrales-Diaz of Systems Integrated; and Jerry Levine, president of Mentor International, and chairman emeritus of the former California Council for International Trade (CCIT), which merged with the CalChamber International Trade Committee in the fall to form the CalChamber council. Levine was recognized for his many years of participation in and support for the CCIT.

California-Canada Connections in Spotlight



The Honorable Michael Wilson, Canadian ambassador to the United States, highlights the prosperity California has gained through international trade with Canada at a December 13 International Luncheon Forum at the California Chamber of Commerce. Seated are Susan Corrales-Diaz, chair of the CalChamber Council for International Trade, and Marc LePage, consul general of Canada. Story at www.calchamber.com/international.