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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**Re: U.S. Consul General, U.S. Consulate, Toronto.**  
**Place: Prince Arthur Waterfront Hotel (Provincial Room)**  
**Time: 12:30**

On Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> Kevin Johnson, U.S. Consul General, U.S. Consulate, Toronto, will be in Thunder Bay to meet with business leaders of the Port Arthur Rotary Club and the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Johnson will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Port Arthur Rotary Club at noon. He will be available to speak directly to the media from 1:00 pm to 1:20 pm for questions and answers.

Kevin Johnson has represented the United States as Consul General in Toronto, Canada since August of 2009. Joining the Foreign Service in 1983, Mr. Johnson served in 8 Embassies in Europe and Latin America as well as in Washington before coming to Canada. Mr. Johnson served as Deputy Chief of Mission (DCM) in Oslo, Norway from 2006 to 2009, and as DCM in Asuncion, Paraguay from 2003 to 2006. He is a 2003 distinguished graduate of the National War College in Washington D.C.

Previously, he served as Counselor of Embassy for Political Affairs in San Salvador from 1999-2002, and Senior Watch Officer in the Department of State's Operations Center 1998-1999. Mr. Johnson was an American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow, working in the office of Senator Richard Lugar from 1997-98. He also served as a political officer in Helsinki 1994-1997 and in San Salvador 1990-1993 where he covered the end of the Salvadoran civil war and successful peace process. He served earlier in administrative positions in Bonn, Germany and Buenos Aires, Argentina and as a Vice Consul in Bogotá, Colombia.

Mr. Johnson holds a Masters in National Security Strategy from the National War College and a Masters in International Affairs from Columbia University. He completed his undergraduate degree in International Studies at American University in Washington, also serving as an intern in the State Department's Bureau of International Organization Affairs.

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