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invites you to join us for a:

***Breakfast Discussion with
Leon Panetta***

**Thursday, October 5, 2006 – 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
University of California Washington Center (UCDC)
1608 Rhode Island Ave, NW, Washington, DC**

In appreciation for being a supporter of the California Institute, please accept this invitation to join as our guest for an informative and engaging exchange with Leon Panetta, former House Budget Committee Chair and later Director of the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and White House Chief of Staff. The discussion will touch on various topics, including Congressional politics and the upcoming fall elections. On Thursday October 5, UCDC and PG&E will generously co-host this California Institute breakfast event, which will take place at the UCDC Center at 1608 Rhode Island Avenue, NW (near Dupont Circle).

Leon E. Panetta's distinguished career in public service gives him unique insights into myriad levels and layers of government. He grew up working on his family's farm in Carmel Valley, earned a law degree at Santa Clara University, and served as a First Lieutenant in the US Army. He first went to Washington in 1966 as a legislative assistant to U.S. Senator Tom Kuchel of California, then Senate Republican Whip. In 1969, he became Special Assistant to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare and then Director of the U.S. Office for Civil Rights under President Nixon. In 1970, he went to New York City, where he served as Executive Assistant to Mayor John Lindsay, overseeing the city's relations with the state and federal governments.

After returning to Monterey and practicing law for five years, Panetta was elected to Congress in 1976 to represent California's 16th district. As a House member, he chaired not only the Budget Committee but also the Agriculture Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing, Consumer Relations and Nutrition and the House Administration Subcommittee on Personnel and Police. Panetta left Congress in 1993 to become OMB Director for the incoming Clinton administration, and he moved to the Chief of Staff job in 1994.

Panetta currently co-directs, with his wife Sylvia, the Leon & Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy, based at California State University, Monterey Bay—a university he helped establish on the site of the former military base, Fort Ord. The Institute serves as a non-partisan study center for the advancement of public policy, to help our communities and our country meet the challenges of the 21st Century. The Institute seeks in particular to attract thoughtful men and women to lives of public service, inspiring them to a high standard of conduct and equipping them with the practical skills of self-government.