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## PRESS ADVISORY

**WHAT: CONGRESSIONAL ENTERTAINMENT CAUCUS BRIEFING: *HOW GLOBAL PIRATES ARE HOLDING OUR ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY HOSTAGE***

**WHEN: THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2003, 3:00 PM**

**WHERE: 1539 LONGWORTH HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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As the entertainment industry continues to lose an estimated \$20-22 billion annually due to global piracy, what has the entertainment industry done to protect its intellectual property rights abroad? What international laws and treaties have been instrumental in combating global piracy? What can Congress do to press for improvements in copyright protection and enforcement in foreign countries?

As the chair of the Congressional Entertainment Caucus, I am pleased to invite you to attend a briefing by key members of the entertainment industry to learn more about this important issue.

Speakers include:

Bonnie J.K. Richardson, Vice President, **Motion Picture Association of America**

Stevan Mitchell, Vice President, **Interactive Digital Software Association**

David Sutphen, Vice President, **Recording Industry Association of America**

Francis, Grab, Legislative Representative, **Director's Guild of America**

Arthur B. Sackler, Senior Consultant, **International Intellectual Property Institute**