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His Excellency Angelos Pangratis  
Chargé d'Affaires  
Delegation of the European Union to the United States  
2300 M Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Pangratis:

We look forward to welcoming you to our Washington International Business Council luncheon on Thursday, January 28, 2010. The luncheon will be held from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the University Club, 1135 Sixteenth Street, N.W.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of the background paper we have distributed to the executives who will be participating in the meeting. You will be introduced at the luncheon by Mr. Christopher Padilla, Vice President of Governmental Programs for IBM Corporation.

We will call your office before the event to see if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Solveig Spielmann', written in a cursive style.

Solveig B. Spielmann  
Chairman and Executive Director

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**BACKGROUND PAPER FOR LUNCHEON DISCUSSION MEETING**

**"THE EUROPEAN UNION: HOW THE LISBON TREATY IS CHANGING IT"**

**Honored Guest:** **HIS EXCELLENCY ANGELOS PANGRATIS**  
Chargé d'Affaires  
Delegation of the European Union to the United States

**Time:** **Thursday, January 28, 2010**  
12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Place:** **University Club**  
Governors' Room  
1135 Sixteenth Street, N.W.

**Moderator:** **Mr. Christopher Padilla**  
Vice President, Governmental Programs  
IBM Corporation

**HIS EXCELLENCY ANGELOS PANGRATIS**

Mr. Angelos Pangratis is the Chargé d'Affaires and Acting Head of Delegation at the Delegation of the European Union to the United States in Washington, D.C.

Previously, Mr. Pangratis was the Ambassador and Head of Delegation for the European Commission's Delegation to Argentina from 2003-2005. He also served at senior functions in the Delegations of the European Commission in South Africa from 1995-1997 and South Korea from 1990-1994. During Mr. Pangratis' career at the EU's headquarters in Brussels, he has held the following positions: Head of Unit responsible for relations with China, Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan, South Korea and Mongolia from 1998-2003; Head of Unit for Personnel and Budget of the Directorate General: External Relations and Trade Policy from 1997-1998; and Head of Investigation teams of the Anti-Dumping and Anti-Circumvention Division from 1987-1990. Mr. Pangratis has also represented the European Commission at numerous Multilateral Organizations such as the WTO, OECD, Club de Paris, UNCTAD, and others. Mr. Pangratis has lectured at universities in the Czech Republic, France, Belgium, United Kingdom, Korea, South Africa, Argentina and the United States. He has had articles and interviews on EU matters published in many countries.

Mr. Angelos Pangratis was born on the island of Corfu, Greece. He speaks Greek, French, English and Spanish. Mr. Pangratis received a Doctorate in International Economics, Monetary Policies and Finance from the University of Paris I, Panthéon Sorbonne in 1983.