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## THE PUERTO RICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUMMONS ALL INVESTORS FOR AN IMPORTANT ECONOMIC EVENT

**San Juan-** Puerto Rico has completed all the arrangements for the celebration of the most significant economic event to take place in the Island: **Puerto Rico Conference 2008-** "**Investment for Growth".** This conference is organized by the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce. José Julián Álvarez, Chairman of the Board and, Francisco Rodríguez-Castro, **Chairman for Puerto Rico Conference 2008** hereby invites all investors from the United States and abroad to come and participate of this major event. The same will be held on February 20, 2008 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel Spa & Casino in Isla Verde.

On this day, hundreds of domestic and foreign investors will learn firsthand the attributes of the investment atmosphere in the Island. "Puerto Rico has significantly attractive attributes for capital investment and a concentration of prosperous businesses. The detailed work agenda will discuss our offering on areas such as "income tax and investment for development incentives" explained Rodríguez-Castro.

Rodríguez-Castro pointed out that "We want to maintain a strong economy based principally in manufacturing such as the one we have, yet promoting the development and growth of the economy in other sectors; such as Services, Finance, Insurance and the development of technology and knowledge". Rodriguez-Castro, added, that classifying agencies, bondholders and creditors will participate in the event.

All the main government agencies which represent the economic sectors will take part in the agenda. The Chief of Staff, Honorable Jorge Silva Puras, will also be participating in the event. Furthermore, the Resident Commissioner in Washington, Honorable Luis Fortuño, will be delivering a very important message

José Julián Álvarez, Chairman of the Board of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce, indicated that, "We have assured that the event will be of world class quality geared to serve as a point of encounter for business men and women. The event will solidify Puerto Rico's position as one of the most important places to make investments", added Alvarez who also mentioned that seventy (70) percent of the participants will come from abroad.

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization with approximately 95 years of foundation. It is the most inclusive multi-sector

organization in the island known for being the voice and action of the private enterprise. Each year, multiple events, such as this one, are organized to promote and facilitate opportunities that will support the socioeconomic development of Puerto Rico. To make reservations and/or obtain more information log on to <a href="https://www.camarapr.net">www.camarapr.net</a>; or to communicate with us call 1-787-721-6060 extension 2209 from Monday to Friday during work hours (8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.).