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***To Lead the World*, Edited by Leffler and Legro,
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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., July 17, 2008 – *To Lead the World: American Strategy after the Bush Doctrine*, edited by Melvyn P. Leffler and Jeffrey W. Legro of the University of Virginia’s Miller Center of Public Affairs, has been published by Oxford University Press. The volume, a collection of essays by eleven of the country’s most accomplished foreign policy experts, is a product of the conference, “After The Bush Doctrine: National Security Strategy For A New Administration,” which took place at the Miller Center on June 7 & 8, 2007.

The writers – including David Kennedy, Niall Ferguson, Robert Kagan, Francis Fukuyama and Samantha Power – explore issues such as how the United States can regain respect in the world, respond to the biggest threats, identify reasonable foreign policy goals, manage the growing debt burden, achieve greater national security, and successfully engage a host of other problems left unsolved and sometimes exacerbated by the Bush Doctrine. The authors, with their wide range of perspectives, give the current foreign policy predicament larger context in American and world history, and realistically assess both the strengths and limits of American power. They argue persuasively that the kind of leadership that made the United States a great – and greatly admired – nation in the past can be revitalized to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

“[This is] a timely, readable and useful book, for policymakers and citizens alike,” said Strobe Talbott, President of the Brookings Institution. “Leffler and Legro have assembled just the right thinkers, with just the right degree of diversity in their views, to address the major issues of our times and the crucial questions of how the U.S. can regain its leadership of the international community.”

Leffler, Edward R. Stettinius Professor in History at U.Va., and Legro, Compton Professor of World Politics and Chair of U.Va.’s Woodrow Wilson Department of Politics, are Faculty Associates in the Miller Center’s Governing America in a

Global Era (GAGE) program, which examines the intersection and historical roots of contemporary American foreign policy and domestic politics. Leffler is the author of *For the Soul of Mankind* (Hill and Wang, 2007); Legro is the author of *Rethinking the World* (Cornell University Press, 2005).

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