The Departments of International Studies and Political Science Present

“**Whither Colombia? Drugs, Violence, Democratic Security and the Future of U.S.-Colombian Relations**”

A Panel Discussion Moderated by Dr. Bruce Bagley, Professor and Chair, Department of International Studies

**FEATURING**

Dr. Leonardo Ferreira (Communications), Dr. Elvira Maria Restrepo (International Studies), Dr. Ramon de Arrigunaga, Lt. Col., USAF (Ret.) (Political Science), and Lt. Col. Kelley Hodge, US Army, Special Operations Command - South

**Wednesday April 15, 2009, 6:30 p.m.**

**Learning Center 140**

Where: LC 140, University of Miami, Coral Gables

When: Wednesday April 15, 2009, 6:30-8:30 pm

Moderator: Dr. Bruce Bagley (Professor and Chair Department of International Studies - INS)

Panelists:

Dr. Bruce Bagley (Professor, INS)

“US-Colombian Relations from Bush to Obama: What Difference Did Plan Colombia Make?”

Dr. Leo Ferreira (Professor, School of Communications)

“The Uribe Administration and the Role of the Mass Media in Contemporary Colombia: Drugs, Guerrillas and Paras.”

Dr. Ramon de Arrigunaga (Senior Lecturer, Department of Political Science)


Dr. Elvira Maria Restrepo (Assistant Professor, INS)

“Paramilitary Demobilization in Colombia during the Uribe Administration: A Transitional Justice Experiment in the Midst of Conflict.”

Lt. Col. Kelley Hodge (US Army, Director of J-2 (Intelligence), Special Operation Command – South)

“A Current Intelligence Overview of Colombia: US-Colombian Military Cooperation under Plan Colombia and Beyond.”

Q&A Session

Final Comments from Panelists