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**United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Invites Alabama Securities Director to Attend Meeting of Experts on International Commercial Fraud in Vienna (UNO City), Austria**

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA (April 11, 2013) Joseph Borg, Director of the Alabama Securities Commission, has been invited to participate as an expert in commercial law at a meeting of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) in late April 2013. The meeting will convene in the Vienna International Centre, Vienna (UNO City), Austria at the UNCITRAL headquarters.

Key international issues on the agenda include: commercial markets fraud, microfinance/microcredit fraud, consumer goods frauds, carbon credit market fraud, health care frauds, financial frauds, and identity theft. In addition, the expert group will participate in the work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) on economic crime and international identity fraud.

From 2004-2007, Borg served as a U.S. delegate to an Intergovernmental Expert Group for the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) in connection with a study on International Fraud and the Criminal Misuse and Falsification of Identity. In the spring of 2008 the Sixth Committee (Legal) of the United Nations recognized the work of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) for removing legal obstacles to international trade law as it examined the report of the first part of the Commission's 2007 session that Borg participated in.

The 60-nation member United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), established more than 40 years ago, is the core legal body of the United Nations system in the field of international trade law. Its mandate is to remove legal obstacles to international trade by progressively modernizing and harmonizing trade law. It prepares legal texts in a number of key areas such as international commerce dispute settlement, electronic commerce, insolvency, international payments, sale of goods, transport law, procurement and infrastructure development. It also provides technical assistance in law and reform projects.

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