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SPEAKER:

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Douglass Cassel is Counsel on Business and Human Rights to the global law firm of King & Spalding, and Emeritus Professor and Notre Dame Presidential Scholar Emeritus at Notre Dame Law School. During an academic career of three decades prior to joining King & Spalding, he taught, published, and practiced in the field of international human rights law, including business and human rights. He is a member of the Business and Human Rights Advisory Board of the American Bar Association's Center for Human Rights and serves on the Editorial Board of the ABA Key Business and Human Rights Documents Project. Among his many publications in the field are "State jurisdiction over transnational business activity affecting human rights," in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND BUSINESS (Elgar Pub. 2020) and "Outlining the Case for a Common Law Duty of Care of Business to Exercise Human Rights Due Diligence," 1 BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS JOURNAL 179 (2016). He has both sued and defended transnational corporations accused of human rights abuses.

Professor Cassel was elected four times by the Organization of American States to serve on the board of the Justice Studies Center of the Americas, of which he was President. He is a former President of the Due Process of Law Foundation, a former member of the executive council of the American Society of International Law, and a current member of the executive council of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights. He served as Legal Adviser to the UN Truth Commission for El Salvador, and as a negotiator of the transitional justice provisions of the 2016 Colombia peace accords, for which he was awarded Colombia's highest honor given to foreign citizens. Professor Cassel is a graduate of Yale College and of Harvard Law School.

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