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Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission Announces Dates for First Public Hearing

(Washington, DC) – Today the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission (FCIC), the bi-partisan 10-member panel established by Congress to examine the causes of the financial crisis, announced the dates for its first public hearing. The first hearing – *The Financial Crisis – An Initial Look at the Causes and Current Status* – will take place on Wednesday, January 13th and Thursday, January 14th, 2010.

At its first public hearing, the Commission will begin its thorough examination of the root causes of the crisis and the current state of the crisis. Key leaders of both private and public sector entities that played critical roles in the crisis will testify.

Who: Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission

What: FCIC first public hearing – The Financial Crisis – An Initial Look at the Causes

and Current Status

When: Wednesday, January 13, 2010: 9:00am

Thursday, January 14, 2010: 9:00am

Where: 1100 Longworth House Office Building

Washington, DC.

FCIC Background: The bi-partisan 10-member Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission was created by Congress and is charged with examining the causes of the financial meltdown. It is also examining causes of the collapse of major financial institutions that failed or would have failed had they not received exceptional government assistance. The Commission is chaired by Phil Angelides; Bill Thomas is Vice Chair. Findings and conclusions are to be provided in a formal report to Congress and the President by December 15, 2010.