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Roundtable 2: Global Financial Crisis Biographies

Dean Baker, Co-Director, Centre for Economic Policy and Research

Dean Baker co-founded CEPR in 1999. His areas of research include housing and macroeconomics, intellectual property, Social Security, Medicare and European labor markets. He is the author of several books, including *False Profits: Recovering from the Bubble Economy, Plunder and Blunder: the Rise and Fall of the Bubble Economy, Social Security: The Phony Crisis* (with Mark Weisbrot), and *The Conservative Nanny State: How the Wealthy Use the Government to Stay Rich and Get Richer*. His blog, *Beat the Press*, provides commentary on economic reporting. He received his B.A. from Swarthmore College and his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Michigan.

Paul Dewar, Member of Parliament, New Democratic Party of Canada, Foreign Affairs Critic

Paul Dewar was elected the Member of Parliament for Ottawa Centre in 2006. As a former teacher, he is an advocate for teachers' working conditions and issues affecting public education. Paul organized the Community Forum on Public Education and was involved in establishing the Ottawa Elementary Teachers' Humanity Fund, providing donations to projects in developing countries.

Paul Dewar is the winner of the A. Lorne Cassidy Award for work with children with special needs. He is member of the board of the Ottawa Community Immigrant Services Organization and a member of Fair Vote Canada. He is actively involved with the Coalition for a Healthy Ottawa and the Partnership for a Pesticide Bylaw. He lives in the Rideau Gardens neighbourhood of Ottawa Centre with his wife Julia Sneyd and their two children.

Pablo Heidrich, Senior researcher on Trade and Development, North South Institute

Pablo Heidrich is a senior researcher on Trade and Development at NSI. Previously, he worked with the Latin American Trade Network (Argentina). He works on political economy of trade and finance, trade policies during financial crises, regional cooperation in trade and finance, and political economy of energy. He has regional expertise on Latin America and East Asia. Some of Pablo's recent research projects are: *BRICS Strategies at the WTO in a Global Crisis* (2009), *Policy Responses to Unfettered Finance* (2008-2009), *Financial Crises and Trade Disputes* (2006-2008), *Trade and Economic Policies of the New Latin American Left* (2007), *Energy and Infrastructure Integration in South America* (2005-2007). His academic background is in international relations (Manhattanville College, USA, and FLACSO, Argentina), economic development (Tsukuba University, Japan), and international political economy (University of Southern California, USA).

Hon. John McCallum, Member of Parliament, Liberal Party of Canada, Finance Critic

John McCallum was first elected to the House of Commons in November 2000. He was re-elected in

2004, 2006 and 2008. Mr. McCallum currently serves as the Finance Critic. Mr. McCallum has previously served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance, as Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Citizenship and Immigration, and as a member of the Standing Committee on Finance. He then served as Secretary of State (International Financial Institutions) from January to May 2002. From May 2002 to December 2003, he served as Minister of National Defence, and in 2003, as Minister of Veterans Affairs. In July 2004, he was appointed Minister of National Revenue and Chair of the Expenditure Review Committee by Prime Minister Paul Martin. Before entering politics, Mr. McCallum was senior vice-president and chief economist of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Mr. McCallum worked as a professor of economics at McGill University (1987-94), at the Université du Québec à Montréal (1982-87), at Simon Fraser University (1978-82), and at the University of Manitoba (1976-78). He is the author or co-author of eight books or monographs and has written on fiscal and monetary issues, comparative macroeconomic performance of OECD countries, Canada-U.S. economic integration, and other economic issues. A native of Montreal, Mr. McCallum obtained a bachelor of arts from Cambridge University, a Diplôme d'études supérieures from the Université de Paris and a doctorate in economics from McGill University. Mr. McCallum and his wife, Nancy Lim, have three children.

Daniel Paillé, Member of Parliament, Bloc Québécois, Finance Critic

Daniel Paillé is the Member of Parliament for Hochelaga in the House of Commons in Ottawa. He was elected in a by-election on November 9, 2009. Since December of that year, he has been the Bloc Québécois Critic for Finance. Daniel Paillé was also the Member for Prévost in the National Assembly of Quebec (1994-1996) and Minister of Industry, Commerce, Science and Technology in Jacques Parizeau's government.

Before his election in November 2009, Mr. Paillé was an associate professor at HEC Montréal. He taught various courses on corporate finance, ethics and the regulation of financial markets. In 2007, Mr. Paillé was appointed as an Independent Advisor to head a review of public opinion research practices across the federal government. Mr. Paillé holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from HEC Montréal, a master's degree in economics from the Université du Québec à Montréal and an honourary degree from Université de Montréal.

Fraser Reilly-King, Coordinator, Halifax Initiative Coalition

Fraser Reilly-King is the Coordinator of the Halifax Initiative Coalition, the Canadian presence for public interest research and education on International Financial Institutions and Export Credit Agencies (ECAs). Fraser is responsible for coordinating all aspects of the Coalition's work. Prior to becoming the Coordinator, Fraser worked for the NGO Working Group on Export Development Canada, a working group of the Halifax Initiative and the Canadian focal point for ECA–Watch, a network of international groups working to reform the activities of ECAs. He has been with the Coalition since 2002. Fraser has also worked as a Communications Officer at the United Nations Association in Canada, an intern at the Youth Unit of the United Nations in New York, and as an English teacher (in Ecuador and Toronto). He is currently on the Board of the Canary Research Institute on Mining, Environment and Health. Fraser has a Masters of Science in Development Studies from the London School of Economics, with a focus on gender issues.