OBJECTIVE
The roundtable brings together key players on the frontlines of global poverty and at the highest levels of government and the private sector to lay out a forward looking strategy for the U.S. based on key challenges in poverty reduction, an understanding of what works, and a clear headed view of American interests and responsibilities. The intensive, off-the-record format is designed to stimulate a thought-provoking and concretely focused discussion. Co-hosted by Richard Blum of Blum Capital, the Brookings Institution Poverty and Global Economy Initiative, the Aspen Institute, and the Ethical Globalization Initiative, this meeting is held on the Aspen Institute campus and immediately precedes the summer meeting of the Aspen Strategy Group (ASG).

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2004

Arrival and Check-In
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Welcome by Walter Isaacson and Strobe Talbott
Introduction of Participants

The Challenge of Global Poverty
Opening Remarks by Richard Blum
1:10 - 2:40 p.m.  Session I  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

**KEY CHALLENGES, WHAT WORKS**
*Moderator: Strobe Talbott*
*Opening Observations:*
Mary Robinson, Ethical Globalization Institute
Geeta Rao Gupta, International Center for Research on Women
Carol Graham, The Brookings Institution

2:50 – 4:45 p.m.  Session II  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

**GOVERNANCE, RULE OF LAW, AND DEMOCRATIZATION**
*Moderator: Joe Nye*
*Opening Observations:*
George Soros, Soros Capital
Ken Dam, University of Chicago
Kumi Naidoo, Civicus

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.  Public Forum and Reception  Paepcke Auditorium

**AMERICA’S ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST GLOBAL POVERTY**
*Panelists:*
Al Gore
Mary Robinson
George Soros
Kumi Naidoo

7:30 – 9:30 p.m.  Dinner  Meadows Restaurant

**SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2004**

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.  Breakfast  Meadows Restaurant
9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Session III  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT
Moderator: Lael Brainard
Opening Observations:
David Lipton, Moore Capital Management
Peter Watson, OPIC
Sylvia Mathews, Gates Foundation

11:15 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Session IV  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE STRATEGY
Moderator: Smita Singh
Opening Observations
Paul Applegarth, Millennium Challenge Corporation
Lael Brainard, The Brookings Institution
Dianne Feinstein, U.S. Senate

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch  Meadows Restaurant

2:15 – 4:00 p.m. Session V  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

TRADE AND POVERTY
Moderator: TBD
Opening Observations:
Mickey Kantor, Mayer, Brown & Rowe
Jagdish Bhagwati, Columbia University
Ray Offenheiser, Oxfam

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Wrap-up  Booz-Allen & Hamilton Room  Koch Building

SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS
Walter Isaacson and Strobe Talbott

6:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner  Bear Paw Ranch

HOSTS: RICHARD C. BLUM AND SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN