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Government Relations Institute of Canada

2011 GRIC Policy Seminar Under Review: Fixing the Lobbying Act

Date: Tuesday, October 25, 2011

Venue: Panorama Room, National Arts Centre, 53 Elgin Street

Programme:

10:00am Welcome

Speaker: Charles King, President, Government Relations Institute of Canada

10:05am Opening Remarks

Speaker: Brian Lee Crowley, Managing Director, Macdonald-Laurier Institute

10:15am Presentation of GRIC recommendations for fixing the *Lobbying Act*

*Speakers: Charles King, President, Government Relations Institute of Canada
Jim Patrick, Treasurer, Government Relations Institute of Canada*

10:30am Panel Discussion – “Rule 8 from a legal standpoint”

Moderator: Rick Anderson, President, ASCI Anderson Strategic Consulting Inc.

Panel:

*Neil Finkelstein, Partner, McCarthy Tétrault
Scott Thurlow, Vice President, Temple Scott Associates
Kerri Froc, Lawyer, Canadian Bar Association*

11:15am Coffee Break

11:30am Panel Discussion – “A turning point for GR in Canada: Lobbying Act Review”

Moderator: Rosemary Thompson, Director, Communications, National Arts Centre

Panel:

*Monique Doolittle-Romas, Executive Director, Canadian AIDS Society
Robin Sears, Principal, Ensignt Canada
Nik Nanos, President, Nanos Research
Marlene Floyd, Principal, Earnscliffe Strategy Group*

12:15pm Closing remarks

Speaker: Charles King, President, Government Relations Institute of Canada

12:25pm End of Program