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THE LIVINGSTON GROUP ADDS FORMER MEMBER AS A SENIOR COUNSELOR

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Washington, D.C. - The Livingston Group (TLG) today announced that **Dennis M. Hertel**, a former six-term Congressman from Michigan, was joining the Group as a Senior Counselor. Mr. Hertel, a Democrat, is an attorney and has been engaged in government relations and private law practice representing clients in various legislative matters in Congress and with administrative agencies in Washington, D.C. since he retired from Congress in 1993. He represents clients on a wide array of issues including: Transportation, Telecommunications, Defense Technology, Homeland Security, International Relations, Business Development, Education, Non-Profit, Community Development, Energy, Environmental, Natural Resources, Health Care and appropriation matters. His clientele has included utility companies, airports, hospitals, local governments, and museums.

Bob Livingston, principal founder of The Livingston Group, one of the most successful lobbying firms in Washington, said, "We are looking forward to adding Dennis Hertel with his extensive knowledge and experience to the many assets we offer for our diverse array of clients."

Mr. Hertel served on the House Armed Services Committee, where he chaired the Investigations and Oversight Subcommittee and was Ranking Member on the Research and Development Subcommittee. He was also Chair of the House Oceanography, Great Lakes, and Outer Continental Shelf Subcommittee and served on the Coast Guard Subcommittee. Mr. Hertel was also a member of the former House Select Committee on Aging and the Health Subcommittee. He came to Congress after three terms in the Michigan House of Representatives where he chaired the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Hertel currently serves as an officer of the Former Members of the U.S. Congress Association where he worked to create its International Election Monitoring Institute that includes former parliamentarian associations of the European Union and Canada. He has worked with leaders of emerging democracies in Eastern and Central Europe and also participates actively in the annual Congressional German Bundestag Conferences. Mr. Hertel is on the Board of Directors of the Council for a Community of Democracies and the Congressional Hunger Center and was also Vice-Chair of the National Environmental Policy Institute.

"I've known Bob Livingston for 25 years," said Mr. Hertel. "He has always been well respected by all members on both sides of the aisle."

The Livingston Group, L.L.C. (TLG) was created in March 1999 and provides comprehensive public affairs, government relations and lobbying services on a global basis. Recognized as one of the fastest growing government relations firms in Washington, D.C., TLG also provides marketing services and public affairs counsel in the areas of coalition building, media outreach and crisis communications. A complete overview of their practices, personnel and performance, including a representative client list, is available at www.livingstongroupdc.com.

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