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## GOVERNOR JON HUNTSMAN AND THE HONORABLE DENNIS BLAIR TO LAUNCH A REPORT ON THE THEFT OF AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** (May 20, 2013) -- American companies are suffering the loss of hundreds of billions of dollars a year due to intellectual property theft by foreign entities. This loss has tremendous implications for the future competitive, strategic, and economic outlook of the United States.

For this purpose, the Commission on the Theft of American Intellectual Property (the IP Commission) was established to assess the scale and scope of the loss and provide robust policy recommendations to the Administration and Congress.

Former U.S. Ambassador to China and former Governor Jon Huntsman and former U.S. Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair will present key findings and policy recommendations from the IP Commission Report at the National Press Club on May 22. Copies of the Report will be available.

## **Commission Members:**

- Gov. Jon Huntsman, former Governor of the State of Utah and U.S. Ambassador to China. Co-chair
- Hon. Dennis Blair (Admiral, U.S. Navy, retired), former Director of National Intelligence and Commander of U.S. Pacific Command. Co-chair
- **Dr. Craig Barrett**, former Chairman and CEO of Intel.
- **Sen. Slade Gorton**, former U.S. Senator of Washington State. He was a member of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States.
- Hon. William Lynn, CEO of DRS Technologies and a former U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defense.
- Hon. Deborah Wince-Smith, President & CEO of the Council on Competitiveness.
- Pres. Michael Young, President of the University of Washington and former Deputy Under Secretary
  of State for Economic and Agricultural Affairs. The University of Washington is ranked number one
  among U.S. public universities in federal funding for research.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 22, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: National Press Club, Murrow Room, 529 14th St NW, Washington

Credentialed media only. Please RSVP to <a href="media@ipcommission.org">media@ipcommission.org</a> by May 20 as space is very limited.

For more information visit: IPCommission.org (live on May 21, 2013)

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**ABOUT THE COMMISSION:** Formed in 2012, The Commission on the Theft of American Intellectual Property is an independent initiative representing the sectors of research, defense, academia, government, labor, and business. The Commission is dedicated to examining the causes and impact of IP theft on U.S. strategic and economic interests and recommending policy solutions to the Administration and Congress.