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The following individuals are currently members of ASCE or have presented papers at ASCE's conferences (for those individuals not currently active in ASCE the information provided corresponds to that available at the time of their involvement in ASCE's activities):

Elliot Abrams was President of the Ethics and Public Policy Center. Previously he was a Senior Fellow at the Hudson Institute in Washington, D.C. In the 1980's he served as Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizations Affairs (1981); Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs (1982-85); and Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs (1985-89), where he supervised US policy in Latin America and the Caribbean. Mr. Abrams is a member of the Board of Trustees of Caribbean/Latin American Action, and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Francisco Marroquin Foundation. Currently, he is a member of the US Security Council. He received his BA degree from Harvard College in 1969, a master's degree in International Relations from the London School of Economics in 1970, and his JD from Harvard Law School in 1973.

Holly Ackerman of the University of Miami, Graduate School of International Studies, Miami, Florida published a paper in volume IX of *Cuba in Transition*.

José D. Acosta (deceased 1998) was a private consultant in Miami, Florida at the time of his death in November 1998. Mr. Acosta had a long career at the OAS, where he was both a tax policy economist and a lawyer. He retired in 1989 as Director of the Department of General Legal Services at the Secretariat of Legal Affairs, after serving as a Principal Economist in the Joint Tax Program OAS/IADB/ECLA. He earned a Doctorate of Law from Havana University (Cum Laude), and did graduate studies in economics at the Universidad de Villanueva (Havana) and at George Washington University. He was Senior Partner of the Bufete de Machado in Havana, Cuba, and a professor of Law and of Economics in the Schools of Law and of Economics at the Universidad de Villanueva (Havana). In 1961-62 he was Legal Advisor for Latin America at the American Broadcasting-Paramount Theatres Inc., in New York. He was a member of the Inter-American Bar Association; the Havana Bar Association (Miami, FL); the National Tax Association and the Tax Institute of America. Papers by Dr. Acosta were published in volumes II and VII of *Cuba in Transition*. He also played a key role in the reformulation of the bylaws of ASCE in 1977.

Charles M. Adams is Professor in the Department of Food and Resource Economics at the University of Florida and Extension Economist/Marine Economics Specialist with the Florida Sea Grant Program. Since 1995 Dr. Adams has been conducting research on fisheries with the University of Havana and the Cuban Ministry of Fisheries as part of the International

Agricultural Trade and Development Center's collaborative research project. Papers authored or co-authored by Professor Adams have been published in volumes VI and X of *Cuba in Transition*.

Juán M. del Aguila is Associate Professor of Political Science at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. He holds a BA in Political Science, University of Florida (1973) and a PhD in Political Science, University of North Carolina (1979). Professor del Aguila has published widely on Cuban domestic politics and foreign policy, including articles and chapters on the Cuban Communist party, the armed forces, and on elite dynamics. A paper by Professor del Aguila was published in volume IX of *Cuba in Transition*.

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Pablo Alfonso is a journalist specializing on Cuban affairs. Since 1987 he has been with El Nuevo Herald, where he writes the thrice-weekly column "Cuba por Dentro." Earlier in his career, he was news editor for Radio Station WQBA and Television Station WSCV, Channel 51. He is author of three books related to Cuba, **Cuba, Castro y los Católicos**, **Los fieles de Castro**, and **El Diálogo Ignorado**. He earned a degree in Sociology from St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida. Papers by Pablo Alfonso have been published in volumes IV and VI of *Cuba in*

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Irma T. de Alonso is Associate Professor and Graduate Program Coordinator at the Department of Economics, Florida International University. She edited the volume on **Trade Issues in the Caribbean**, published by Gordon and Breach Science Publishers, Inc. in 1992. A paper co-authored by Professor Alonso was published in volume II of *Cuba in Transition*.

José F. Alonso is presently teaching mathematics at Albert Einstein High School in Kensington, Maryland. Previously, he was an economic and sugar analyst in the Office of Cuba Broadcasting, Radio Martí Program. He has a BA degree, a MA in Economics, and is a PhD Candidate in International Economics from Catholic University of America. Currently, he is enrolled at The John Hopkins University, pursuing a postgraduate degree in Mathematical Teaching. From 1972 to 1985 he served as international economist and commodity analyst on sugar, gold, metal machinery and other commodities at the International Price Division, US Bureau of Labor Statistics. He has conducted numerous studies of the Cuban economy, particularly of the sugar industry, health sector, and monetary and fiscal affairs. He has published numerous articles and analyses of Cuba's economy, including in the **Free Market Cuba Business Journal** and other publications. Papers authored or co-authored by Mr. Alonso have been published in volumes II, III, IV, V and IX of *Cuba in Transition*. He served in the Executive Board of ASCE in 1994-1996 and 1998-2000. He also has served as co-editor of various volumes of *Cuba in Transition* and of ASCE's Newsletter.

Fernando Alvarez (Ph.D. New York University) is currently Clinical Associate Professor in the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Area at the Leonard N. Stern School of Business of New York University. He teaches the courses Patterns of Entrepreneurship and Foundations of Entrepreneurship. He is the advisor to the Entrepreneur's Exchange Group, an undergraduate club at Stern that under his guidance was named "best club" of the year for 1998-1999. Professor Alvarez's research interests focus on the management of cash flows resulting from changes in working capital requirements, the structure of cash flows after the IPO, and the uses and sources of capital for the entrepreneurial firm. His research has been funded by the McArthur Foundation, the Kaufman Foundation, U.S. Trust Bank of Boston, and Wells Fargo Bank. He has published cases illustrating the proper management of cash flows and the choices in short-term financing alternatives. He is coauthor with Martin S. Fridson, Managing Director of Global Securities Research and Economics Group at Merrill Lynch, of **Financial Statement Analysis: A Practitioner's Guide**. Papers by Professor Alvarez have been published in volumes I, II and III of *Cuba in Transition*. Prof. Alvarez previously taught at Babson College in Wellesley, MA, at the Graduate School of Management of Rutgers University and at ITESM Graduate School of Management in Mexico City, and was affiliated with the Shulman Chartered Financial Analyst Review Program in Boston, MA. He has taught courses on Financial Management, Long Term Finance with an emphasis in Shareholder Value/Economic Value Added, Short-term Finance and Cash Flow Management, Fixed Income Analysis, Investments, Financial Statement Analysis, and Portfolio Analysis and Management. Prof. Alvarez also holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

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Néilson Amaro is Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Director of the Masters Program on Development at the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala. He has teaching experience and expertise as team leader; development policy and planning; institutional restructuring aimed at decentralizing governmental functions at central, intermediate, and local levels with the participation in the decision making of civil society groups; non-formal education and training; community development; socioeconomic and social impact analysis; social soundness analysis; and survey design and implementation. He was a staff member of the United Nations in New York and Rome; Vice-Minister of the Guatemalan government; and an institutional and personal services contractor for USAID in Honduras. He has published two books on governmental decentralization, local governments and community participation. Papers by Professor Amaro have been published in volumes VI, VIII and X of *Cuba in Transition*. He has worked throughout Central America, and in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, and Venezuela, and in missions to Somalia, Uganda, Bangladesh and Jordan. He holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin.

Domingo Amuchastegui is a former Political Officer of the General Staff and Intelligence Officer in Cuba's Armed Forces (DGI) and served in the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He is also a former Professor at the Instituto Superior de Relaciones Internacionales (Higher Institute of International Relations) of the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Guest Professor at the Colegio de Defensa Nacional (National Defense College) of the Cuban Armed Forces. He has also taught at other universities in Cuba and México. He has authored and co-authored numerous professional books and articles published in Cuba, México, Spain, Portugal and Brazil, among them **Historia Contemporánea de Asia y Africa** (four volumes, La Habana, Editora Pueblo y Educación, 1984-89) and **Intelligence and the Cuban Missile Crisis** (London, 1998). Papers by Mr. Amuchastegui have been published in volumes IX and X of *Cuba in Transition*. He is currently a PhD candidate in International Relations, School of International Studies, University of Miami and an independent researcher on Cuban affairs, established in Miami.

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Universal, 1994) and **Alfonso Hernández-Catá: Un escritor cubano, salamantino y universal** (Salamanca: Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, 1996), and has received several literary awards in the United States, Latin America and Europe. A seasoned journalist, she writes a weekly column for *Diario de las Américas*. A paper by Dr. de Aragón was published in volume VII of *Cuba in Transition*. She received her PhD in Spanish and Latin American Literature from the University of Miami.

Elías R. Asón (deceased) earned a Ph.D. in Economics (1970) from the University of California at Berkeley. He was Professor of Economics and Finance at the University of Puerto Rico until 1985 and a former Bank President. He served as a consultant to the Puerto Rico State Government and to several financial institutions in Puerto Rico and the US mainland, and worked as a private economic and financial consultant. He served as a member of several Corporate Boards of Directors until his death. Papers by Dr. Ason have been published in volumes I and IV of *Cuba in Transition*.

Amparo E. Avella holds a Ph.D. in Geography and was a Senior Professor at Havana University and worked as a National Researcher for the National Council of Science and Technology of Mexico (CONACYT). At Mexico State University, she was a Professor and Coordinator for Postgraduate Studies in Environmental Planning, and Chairman of the Department of Resources and Environment in the Faculty of Regional and Urban Planning. Previous experience includes Main Researcher of Environmental Impact Assessment and Risk Assessment for Urban and Ecologic Consultants. She currently works as an Environmental Scientist for Environmental Site Assessments, Inc., an environmental consulting company based in Miami. A paper by Dr. Avella was published in volume V of *Cuba in Transition*.

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Christopher E. Baker is the retired Chief Executive Officer of the World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU). He served as CEO from 1993 to 2000. In his international credit union development career of 26 years, Baker worked at all credit union levels and in many cultural settings. His experience included direct management responsibilities in the design, management

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AID) and a member of the US Foreign Service. Prior to joining US AID, he held positions with the International Labor Organization, United Nations Development Program, and the Brookings Institution. He also was on the faculty of Georgetown and American Universities. He has taught, written and published extensively on development issues. Papers by Dr. Butari were published in volumes II and IV of *Cuba in Transition*. He holds a MA and a Ph.D. from Georgetown University, and a BA from the University of Puerto Rico. He was a member of the Executive Committee of ASCE from 1992 to 1996.

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