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**CFA ANNOUNCES THEME OF 2015
RONALD H. BROWN AFRICAN AFFAIRS SERIES**
*Key partners include U.S. State Department, Department of Commerce, and
international businesses and non-governmental organizations
from the U.S., Africa, and the Diaspora*

Washington, D.C. (April 22, 2015) – The Constituency for Africa (CFA) today announced its 2015 Ronald H. Brown (RHB) African Affairs Series will be held from September 14-19, 2015 in the nation’s capital. The theme of this year’s Series is **"Strengthening Capacity in Africa to Address Health, Economic, and Technology Challenges."**

“The theme aligns with CFA’s focus for this year of strengthening healthcare infrastructure in Africa; promoting the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) revolution; urging the renewal of the African Growth and Opportunity Act; and advocating for the engagement of the Diaspora in U.S.-Africa policy,” said CFA’s President and CEO, Melvin Foote.

The 2015 RHB African Affairs Series will include a Town Hall Meeting at the U.S. State Department focusing on strengthening healthcare infrastructure in Africa, a STEM in Africa Forum, a Trade & Investment Caucus hosted by the U.S. Minority Business Development Agency, a Democracy & Governance Roundtable, a Conference Call with Diaspora leaders worldwide, and more. A schedule of events will be released by CFA in mid-June.

Named after the late Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown, the RHB African Affairs Series is planned and organized by CFA each year in conjunction with the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) Annual Legislative Conference. Over the years, the RHB African Affairs Series has convened more than 200 workshops and forums that have advanced advocacy, analysis of government policy initiatives, knowledge transfer, and the mobilization of public and private sector groups.

The purpose of the RHB African Affairs Series is to educate, inform and engage the American public on critical challenges, issues, and concerns facing Africa; help link members of the CBC and their staff to African challenges, issues and concerns; and promote a proactive and sustainable U.S.-Africa foreign policy agenda.

About the Constituency for Africa

CFA's mandate is to educate the U.S. public about Africa and U.S. policy on Africa; mobilize an activist constituency for Africa; and foster cooperation among a broad-based coalition of American, African, and international organizations and individuals committed to the progress and empowerment of Africa and African people. CFA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

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