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DANNY LOPEZ, BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL, NEW YORK,
NAMED HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Lopez to be formally recognized at the British Societies of New York's Annual Garden Party

(NEW YORK – 3 August 2011) Danny Lopez, the newly-appointed Consul-General of the British Consulate General in New York, has been named Honorary President of the St. George's Society of New York. Lopez will be formally welcomed in his position this evening at the British Societies of New York's Annual Garden Party, to be held at the Union Theological Seminary.

The St. George's Society, a charitable and social organization founded in 1770, assists elderly and disabled residents of the New York-area of British and Commonwealth heritage, and offers scholarships to British and Commonwealth students enrolled at Lehman College in the Bronx. For over a century, the role of Honorary President has been held by the serving British Consul-General.

"It is my great pleasure to accept the post of Honorary President of the St. George's Society of New York," Lopez said. "Since its inception, the St. George's Society's worthy mission and efforts have highlighted our countries' essential relationship, shared values and commitment to those in need. I look forward to participating in the St. George's Society's valuable initiatives during my tenure."

Lopez was appointed Consul-General, New York and Head of UK Trade and Investment USA in July 2011. In this role, he is responsible for promoting the UK's economic profile across the US, and the UK's foreign policy and national security priorities in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut's Fairfield County. Prior to joining the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Lopez enjoyed a varied career in the UK's public and private sectors, most notably holding senior-level positions at the London Development Agency, UK Trade & Investment, and Barclays Bank.

"We are thrilled to have Danny join us as our Honorary President and to welcome him to the British and Commonwealth community of New York," said John C. Harvey, President of the St. George's Society. "Danny's diverse background and impressive commitment to UK and US interests will benefit the British Societies of New York and this great city."

Additional sponsors of tonight's garden party include the American Friends of the Georgian Group, American Friends of Jamaica, American-Scottish Foundation, British American Project, British Schools and Universities Club, Caledonian Club of New York, Daughters of the British Empire in the State of New York, English-Speaking Union of New York, The Pilgrims of the United States, St. Andrew's Society in the State of New York, St. David's Society, and the American Priory of the Order of St. John.

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