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**AMERICAN FREEDOM ALLIANCE ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC DISCUSSION:
"ARE WE ENTERING A NEW PERIOD OF APPEASEMENT?" AT UCLA ON
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2008 AT 7:30 PM**

Event Features a First-Time Clip from David Zucker's "An American Carol"

(Los Angeles) -- On Thursday, September 25, 2008, at 7:30 PM, the American Freedom Alliance, an organization devoted to identifying threats to western civilization, will sponsor a public discussion, "*The Price of Peace: Are We Entering a New Period of Appeasement?*" at UCLA's Ackerman Hall. The event features a first-time ever clip shown from David Zucker's upcoming "An American Caorl." Admission is \$20 and \$5 for students.

Panelists are best-selling author **Robert Spencer** (*The Politically Incorrect Guide to Islam and the Crusades*), **Cliff May**, president of the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies and film maker **David Zucker** (*An American Carol!*, *Airplane*, *The Naked Gun*). They will examine the historical parallels between current geopolitical crises and

the events of the 1930s and the extent to which Western governments are appeasing restive minorities who do not evince an acceptance of democratic values or norms.

The event remembers the 70th Anniversary week of the Munich Agreement. This infamous pact between the leaders of Germany, Italy, France and the U.K. was signed on September 30, 1938 and ceded Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland to Nazi Germany in an attempt to appease Adolf Hitler. Germany's occupation of the rest of Czechoslovakia six months later and its threats to invade independent Poland, thereafter made World War II inevitable. *An American Carol*, features a spoof of the Munich Conference.

The panelists bring a unique perspective to the issue. **Spencer** has written eight books (two *New York Times* best sellers) which address the way Islamic leaders use the tenets of Islam to inspire attacks on the West. **May** is a commentator on international affairs and a frequent columnist and speaker on the future of the West. **Zucker** is a renowned comedic filmmaker.

“In the wake of the Cold War, the global geo-political situation today is reminiscent of the years before World War II, with such nations as Iraq and Russia offering deep challenges to Western cohesion and resolve.” said Avi Davis, the Senior Fellow of the American Freedom Alliance. “The time is therefore right to recall the danger of appeasing modern dictators who deny human rights to their own citizens and threaten war against other nations. It is also time to remember that the appeasement of certain minorities in our own societies, whose ideologies and beliefs might be inimical to democratic life and values, are policies which need to be considered very carefully.”

Admission is \$20; students with valid IDs admitted for \$5.00. Reservations can be made, prior to September 14, 2008 through the event web page at

www.americanfreedomalliance.org/microsite/remembering_munichj/index.htm . After September 15, call the UCLA Central Ticket Office at (310) 206 6161.

Ackerman Union is on the UCLA Westwood campus in Los Angeles, 2nd Floor Room 2414, 308 Westwood Plaza. Parking is available in Parking Structure 6 at the north end of Westwood Plaza for \$9.00

The symposium is the second in a week long series of events sponsored by the American Freedom Alliance, commemorating the Munich Agreement. Full details of *Remembering Munich: The Legacy of Appeasement* can be found at:

www.americanfreedomalliance.org/microsite/remembering_munich/index.htm

The American Freedom Alliance unites individuals and organizations who share an abiding reverence for the values that make The United States a symbol of freedom of thought, speech and self-expression. The Alliance's programs, publications, conferences and websites develop tools and strategies to counter the growing influence of ideologies and movements that threaten freedom and deny the sanctity of the personal conscience.

Note to Press: Robert Spencer, Cliff May and David Zucker are available for interview to discuss any aspect of the upcoming public discussion. Please contact Ryan Michaels at (310) 444 3085 for interview arrangements.
