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CHELSEA HOUSE PUBLISHERS ANNOUNCES “MODERN PEACEMAKERS” SERIES – SENATOR GEORGE J. MITCHELL SIGNS-ON AS AUTHOR

Northborough, MA, July 7, 2005 – Chelsea House Publishers, a leading nonfiction publisher of curriculum-oriented books for children and young adults and a unit of Hights Cross Communications, Inc., announced a new series of books, Modern Peacemakers. The initial six books in the Modern Peacemakers series will be published in Fall 2006. Chelsea House said that former United States Senator George J. Mitchell is co-authoring one book in the series.

Bob Laronga, Chelsea House President and CEO, commented: “This is an exciting new series for Chelsea House. Modern Peacemakers features seven 20th Century leaders who have won the Nobel Peace Prize and who have contributed in critical ways to contemporary world events. We are delighted that Senator Mitchell is continuing his relationship with Chelsea House. As a major U.S. political leader and active peace negotiator, he brings a unique perspective and knowledge to the series.”

The Modern Peacemaker series will feature new books on:

Betty Williams and Mairead Corrigan -- Founders of the Northern Ireland Peace Movement

Henry Kissinger- former Secretary of State, United States

Nelson Mandela – former leader of the African National Congress

Desmond Tutu – former Bishop of Johannesburg, South Africa

Kofi Annan- United Nations Secretary General

Elie Wiesel – former Chairman of the President’s Commission on the Holocaust

George J. Mitchell is best known as veteran peace negotiator who was involved in the Northern Ireland peace process. For his service in the cause of peace, he won the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization Peace Prize and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. He is currently chairman of DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary, a worldwide law firm. . For the Modern Peacemakers series, Senator Mitchell is writing the biography of Betty Williams and Mairead Corrigan, founders of the Northern Ireland Peace Movement, who subsequently won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1976. Senator Mitchell also wrote the foreword to four volumes of *Major Peace Treaties of Modern History*, published by Chelsea House in 2002.

About Chelsea House Publishers:

Chelsea House Publishers, founded in 1966 and located in Northborough, MA, is a leading publisher of high-quality, nonfiction books for children and young adults on such topics as American history, multicultural studies, biographies, sports, science, and health. In addition, Chelsea House also offers literary criticism and reference books for older readers. Its books are broadly adopted worldwide by public and school libraries. For more information, visit www.chelseahouse.com.

About Hights Cross Communications:

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