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## EDWARD LEHMAN MEETS WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE CENTER OF ARGENTINA, MR. MAXIMILIANO GARAGUSO

**Beijing, China– October 31, 2008 -** Lehman, Lee & Xu welcomed the representative of the University Language Center, Mr. Maximiliano Garaguso, to Beijing last week. Mr. Garaguso met Mr. Edward Lehman to discuss the project of the University Language Center of Argentina in China and some Intellectual Property matters related to it.

Spanish is the third most spoken language in the world, after Chinese and English and the second one in number of native speakers. Between 450 and 500 million people speak Spanish as a first or second language.

In this present favorable context for studying Spanish and Chinese, the University Center of Languages (CUI), attached to the University of Buenos Aires (Argentina) has unveiled a program of Chinese Language and a program of Spanish for Foreigners. The University of Buenos Aires stands as Argentina's most prestigious University and one of the largest ones in Latin America. It is the sole Argentine Institution among the TOP 500 in the world (Academia Ranking of World Universities, 2007)

The CUI, regarded as Latin America's most successful and leading language center, has made the presentation of these programs at the China Education Expo held in the World Trade Center in Beijing on Oct. 18 -19.

The CUI, under the theme "To study a language is also to study a culture," seeks to motivate the study of foreign languages as a vital tool to communicate in an increasingly globalized world. The CUI currently counts nearly 900 students of Chinese and by the end of this year, this Institute hopes to have between 1100 and 1200 students. On the other hand, since July 2006 to the present day, over 130 Chinese students have joined the Spanish Language Program for Chinese students. The CUI also has partnerships with more than 20 institutions across China, among others: Beijing Agricultural College, Beijing Foreign Languages University and Beijing Foreign Studies University, to promote cooperation and exchange of students.

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