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## News Release

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### II<sup>th</sup> Win for Cal Poly Pomona Model United Nations Team

POMONA, Calif. — May 2, 2008— **\*\*\*UPDATED\*\*\***For the 11th year, Cal Poly Pomona's National Model United Nations (NMUN) team nabbed an award at the annual NMUN conference held April 21-26 in New York City.

This year's team took home the Outstanding Delegation Award, the highest honor presented by the national conference, which attracted more than 4,000 students from universities and colleges from more than 25 countries around the world.

Additionally, the students won the university's sixth Outstanding Position Paper Award, which recognizes research papers that exhibit detailing with consummate style, skill and considerable data.

These two awards place Cal Poly Pomona in the top 3 percent of colleges and universities who send their best students to the conference.

**\*\*\*UPDATED\*\*\*** "I am particularly proud of the [students]," said the team's faculty adviser John Moore, a professor of History. "The level of commitment, scholarly preparation, diplomatic skill and geniality was unmatched."

Cal Poly Pomona represented Portugal this year. The team had the honor of meeting with Portuguese Ambassador Joao Manuel Guerra Salgueiro during a briefing at the Portuguese Mission to the UN, where senior diplomatic staff provided insight into Portuguese foreign policy for approximately two hours.

The 17-member team prepared for the conference through a rigorous preparatory course in which

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they studied Portuguese history, culture, demography, and politics and foreign policy, among many others.

Team members included: Ramsey Ayass, Aaron Burton, Seyi Dodo-Williams, Ryan Hashmi (head delegate), Susan Hassen, Amanda Hill, Sean McPherson, Shannon Nakamoto, Lisa Orwig, Salil Pandit, Rafaela Pereira, Jessica Romero, Wendy Sit, Michael Stover, Sunny Tsou, Jose Vargas and Raquel Villar.

The conference was held at the New York Marriott Marquis and the United Nations headquarters.

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**ABOUT CAL POLY POMONA** — Striking a balance between urban excitement and rural charm, Cal Poly Pomona is nestled in 1,438 rolling acres in the heart of sunny Southern California. With 3,000 faculty and staff to serve 21,500 students, Cal Poly Pomona's mission is to advance knowledge by linking theory and practice while preparing students for leadership and careers in a multicultural world. The university seeks to place learning at the center of every program, course, and activity on campus. Students can apply their knowledge through hands-on projects, collaborate with faculty members on research, and participate in valuable internships and service learning programs. Seven colleges (agriculture; letters, arts and social sciences; business administration; education; engineering; environmental design; and science) and one school (Collins School of Hospitality Management) offer 56 undergraduate and 23 graduate degrees, as well as 8 credential programs. A piece of Pomona.