

# COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 2326



**DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
CHANCERY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
PRELIMINARY SITE AND BUILDING PLANS  
International Center, Connecticut Avenue and Van Ness Street, NW**

Submission by the Department of State

February 5, 2004

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### *Commission Action Requested*

Approval of preliminary site and building plans pursuant to Section 4 of the International Center Act, Public Law 90-553.

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### *Commission Action*

The Commission:

**Approves** the preliminary site and building plans for the Chancery of the People's Republic of China, International Center, Connecticut Avenue and Van Ness Street NW, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 72.10(64.10)41301.

**Recommends** that, in the preparation of final site and building plans, the Department of State:

- Ensure that there is sufficient landscaping along the north façade of the Chancery to visually soften the impact of the wall surfaces that face Van Ness Street.
- Provide improved pedestrian access from International Place to the Central Park, due to the reconfiguration of the parking area.

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