

# **Morse Target 2004**

## **Washington's Movers & Shakers on**

### **Japan & East Asia**

Friday, October 8, 2004, Noon-2:00 PM

With

**Ronald A. Morse**

*Tokyo Foundation Professor of Japan Studies, University of Nevada, Las Vegas*

*Color Commentary By*

**Christopher Nelson (*The Nelson Report*) & Speaker to be Announced**

***A candid discussion of who is influential in the making of U.S.-Asia policy***  
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**Christopher Nelson** is Senior Vice President of Samuels International and Editor of *The Nelson Report*, a respected daily briefing for the Asia-focused international business and policy community. Mr. Nelson has been a professional journalist and congressional foreign affairs analyst with Washington experience since 1966. On Capitol Hill, Mr. Nelson specialized in U.S.-China relations during the Carter Administration's normalization process, with service on the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asia, as a Senior Advisor to Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd, and with the Senate Democratic Policy Committee. During that time, he traveled extensively throughout Asia and the Subcontinent, with a focus on China, Japan, Korea and Vietnam. His journalism career includes United Press International (New York) in the 1960s, and the Orlando (Florida) Sentinel in the 1970s. Nelson also served as a Press Secretary to two New York congressmen, one a Republican, the other a Democrat. Nelson holds a BA in history and political science from the University of California, Berkeley and did graduate studies in politics, developmental economics, and anthropology at McGill University, Montreal. Mr. Nelson is a civil war buff, with prominent credits as consultant to numerous books and movies. He is a Civil War re-enactor as a private, Co. F, 2nd Rhode Island Infantry, USV.

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