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# Fordham Conference on International Intellectual Property Law and Policy

## WELCOMING REMARKS

John Feerick\*

I am here simply to say welcome and say how pleased we are to have all the people who are here as either panelists or participants in our program. I would just like to say that this school has a strong commitment to educational programs with respect to subjects in the international community, particularly the European Economic Community, which will be a large part of today's program, but not the exclusive part, of course. Our involvement in the European Community goes back to the early 1960s, when the Dean of the Law School at the time, Dean Mulligan, and a professor at the Law School, Professor Joseph Crowley, felt that there was a particular need in this country for programs to educate members of the legal profession, and others, with respect to issues in the international community, and in particular, the European Community.

It is really a great pleasure for our school to start a new program in terms of subject matter, but not really a new program in terms of our long involvement in educational programs with respect to the international community.

I would like to thank the panelists and particularly thank Professor Hugh Hansen, who persuaded us a year ago that there would be an interest in a program of this nature. His vision and your response show that there is indeed a place for educational programs dealing with intellectual property internationally.

I wish you a very successful conference and I thank you for your participation.

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