

6) Dr. James Rochlin, Dept of Political Science, Okanagan University College.

A) Dr Rochlin provided a brief summary of his book, *Redefining Mexican Security*, and also provided a summary-conclusion of the Conference.

B) The issues of Mexican Security and of human rights are relatively new topics of research and discussion, since they were not mentioned until after NAFTA took effect.

C) When one refers to the Mexican 'crisis', this is in relation to a long period of Mexican stability that stretched from the Revolution until 1982. It is empirically observable that Mexican security problems - and associated problems of human rights - commenced with the inequities surrounding neoliberalism beginning in 1983.

D) Increased militarization of Mexico is associated with increased human rights abuses. Rather than the superficial military approach, the roots of the crisis must be addressed. Otherwise, it is possible that parts of the country (especially the South) could slip into a civil war. This would essentially torpedo NAFTA.