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**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS PANEL APPROVES \$24 MILLION
FOR EAST WEST CENTER**

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WASHINGTON — Senate Appropriations Chairman Daniel K. Inouye announced today that the Senate Appropriations Committee has approved \$24 million for the Honolulu-based East-West Center under the Fiscal Year 2010 Department of State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations bill.

“Since 1960 The East-West Center has served as an invaluable education center and meeting ground for representatives of the Asia-Pacific community wishing to work toward a peaceful Pacific Rim. Through cooperative research, education, and public diplomacy the center has provided a critical understanding of the region’s dynamic issues for global leaders involved in moving their countries, together into the future,” said Chairman Inouye. “Relationships are born and built up and a mutual respect and understanding forms between students, businesses, and government officials who might otherwise never meet in such a collaborative setting.”

The legislation will be considered by the full Senate at a later time.