

Author A.C. Frieden Meets Swiss Ambassador to Chile

SANTIAGO, Chile (Oct. 6, 2008) – Author A.C. Frieden traveled to Santiago, Chile, in early October to continue to research for his upcoming political thriller set in Latin America. Prior to his arrival, Frieden had set up meetings and interviews with prominent politicians, diplomats, authors, publishers and members of academia in Santiago. His research in Chile adds to his extensive travels to Argentina, Bolivia, Mexico, Venezuela, and Uruguay for the same novel.

During his visit, Frieden had the honor to meet with Switzerland's ambassador to Chile, Mr. André Regli. Originally from the Alpine town of Andermatt, Mr. Regli received his law degree in Fribourg, Switzerland. He has served as diplomat in various functions in Berne, New York, Bangkok, Geneva, and Abidjan before becoming chief of mission at the Swiss embassy in Brazil. Immediately prior to taking the post of Ambassador to Chile, he served as director of personnel for the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs. During their meetings at the ambassador's residence and over dinner at Santiago's renowned Ichiban sushi restaurant, Frieden, Ambassador Regli and Honorary Consul Marianna Fiala discussed a wide range of political, security and cultural issues affecting Chile and its foreign relations, many of these topics being key to Frieden's research for his upcoming political thriller.



Above: A.C. Frieden had dinner with the Swiss Ambassador, André Regli (second from left), and his friends at the renowned sushi restaurant Ichiban.

About the author: A.C. Frieden is a Swiss-Brazilian mystery novelist and lawyer living in Chicago. He is currently working on two political novels, including one set in Latin America. For more information, visit his website at www.acfrieden.com and his literary travel blog.

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