Congratulatory Remarks

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Today is a very special day. Almost eleven years ago, it was my honor to participate in the 7th International Conference on Crisis and Emergency Management at Chungbuk National University. Here, in addition to meeting top scholars and practitioners, UT Dallas began a special relationship with South Korea, Dr. Lee, and the study of crisisonomy. In fact, today UT Dallas has study abroad relationships with three South Korean universities, and I know we are actively working to create more.

The aims of this conference align closely with the mission of the School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences. Our school deeply values interdisciplinary cooperation to address the salient policy questions of the day. Moreover, our faculty work to bridge theory and practice to put into place quality policies that can be implemented for the common good. Just as our faculty and students work toward creating solutions to pressing policy problems, the participants here today work with special attention to the wicked problems of public policy and crisis management. It is this important work, that joins us both in our common goal of preventing and preparing for manmade and natural disasters.

I look forward to this exciting conference and strengthening the relationships that we began in 2013.