

## **Wilkie at UTEP, UH, and Havana**

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PROFMEX President **James W. Wilkie**, Universitywide Coordinator of UC MEXUS, spoke at UTEP, April 25 on "Positive and Negative Consequences of Mexico's Current Economic Crisis." On behalf of UC, MEXUS, he met with community leaders in El Paso and Ciudad Juárez, where he visited the maquiladora industry through arrangements made by **Don Shuffstall** and **Oscar J. Martínez**. Martínez arranged for Wilkie to meet on April 27 with Alan E. Eliason, Chief Patrol Agent for the El Paso District of the INS; and Captain **R.G. Woodruff** gave Wilkie and Martínez a tour of the "no-man's land" between the two fences on the United States side of the border. The first fence is the almost useless "Tortilla Curtain" while the second fence demarks the effective United States border.

At the University of Houston, Wilkie spoke on UC MEXUS and participated April 29 in a seminar entitled "Five Months of the De la Madrid Administration," sponsored by the Institute of International Business Analysis. Other participants in the seminar, chaired by the Institute's director **Thomas F. O'Brien**, included: **Roberto Newell García** (Instituto de Bancas y Finanzas, Mexico City), **Stephen Zamora** (UH and UNAM), and **Marcela Serrato de Treviño** (Secretaría de Hacienda y Crédito Público, Mexico City.)

Traveling to Cuba June 12-23, Wilkie met informally with Cuban academicians interested in Cuba's relations with Mexico to tell them of UC MEXUS resources and programs.