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**Democrats Abroad Berlin Announces “Come Celebrate With U.S.: The Inauguration of Barack Obama” on January 20, 2009**

Berlin, Germany, January 12, 2009 – In celebration of Barack Obama’s historic inauguration as the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America, the Berlin chapter of Democrats Abroad Germany will co-sponsor an inaugural bash at the GOYA on January 20, 2009.

The inauguration party is anticipated to be the largest overseas inaugural event in the world, with more than 1500 guests expected to attend.

“With his election as new president of the USA, it again becomes possible for traditionally good relations between Berlin and Washington to flourish. We as Democrats Abroad will do all we can to facilitate and assist that necessary change. Our initiative and support for this large inaugural party for Barack Obama at the GOYA is a sign for that. We would like to reach out to all our friends in this great city. We invite you to join us for this historical celebration,” said Democrats Abroad Berlin Chapter Chair Michael Steltzer.

The bipartisan celebration is presented by Black Box Live Music Club. Also officially sponsoring the event are the Embassy of the United States of America in Germany, American Voices Abroad Berlin, Republicans Abroad Berlin and Museum The Kennedys.

Doors will open at 16:00, and the inauguration in Washington, D.C., will be shown live on a big screen television set starting at 18:00. Official sponsors are invited to give speeches at 19:00, and the band Folkadelic will perform at 21:00. From 22:30 onward, DJ “Daddy-O” will spin funk-soul classics. American-style food and drink will be available for a small fee. The GOYA is located at Nollendorfplatz 5, 10777 Berlin.

Tickets can be reserved for €10,00 by sending an e-mail to [contact@blackboxberlin.info](mailto:contact@blackboxberlin.info). For further information about the inauguration party, call 0174-297-64-61, or visit [www.blackboxberlin.info/barack obama.html](http://www.blackboxberlin.info/barack%20obama.html).

**About Democrats Abroad Berlin:**

Democrats Abroad is the overseas branch of the U.S. Democratic Party. The Berlin chapter of Democrats Abroad Germany is one of the most active groups in the international organization, meeting the first Tuesday of nearly every month. Our agendas include discussions of hot issues in American politics, guest speakers with expertise in areas of concern to our special needs and interests abroad and organization of voter drives and fundraising. For more information, visit [www.demsinberlin.de](http://www.demsinberlin.de).

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