

Martin Frost Receives Honor from Polish Parliament for Task Force Work



(Pictured left to right): Lee Feinstein (U.S. Ambassador to Poland Martin Frost; Rep. David Price (D-NC); and Francis Miko of the Congressional Research Service receive medals for their work on the task force 20 years ago.

Former Congressman **Martin Frost** (Wash.,DC-SH) traveled to Warsaw, Poland, June 5-8, where he was honored by the Polish Parliament (Senate and Sejm) for work he did 20 years ago when he headed a special U.S. House of Representatives Task Force to help the parliaments of Eastern and Central Europe with the transition from communism to democracy following the fall of the Berlin Wall. Frost was one of the featured speakers in a day-long symposium on the work of the Frost Task Force on June 7. Frost and key staff members from the U.S. House and the Congressional Research Service carried out the work of the task force and were presented special commemorative medals by the Polish Parliament. Frost and the staff also were hosted at a reception by the U.S. Ambassador to Poland at his official residence. The Frost Task Force provided parliamentary assistance to ten countries from 1990-1995: Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Bulgaria, Albania, Slovakia and Romania. The assistance included training for parliamentary staff and newly-elected members of parliament, help in setting up parliamentary libraries and research institutes and the actual purchase of computer equipment for the parliaments.

