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GOVERNOR O'MALLEY TO ANNOUNCE CYBER SECURITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

*Governor to unveil State's first comprehensive inventory of cyber security sector
and release CyberMaryland Report*

BALTIMORE, MD (January 6, 2010) – Next Monday, Governor Martin O'Malley, joined by U.S. Senators Barbara A. Mikulski and Ben Cardin, U.S. Congressman Dutch Ruppersberger, Lt. Governor Brown, Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development Secretary Christian Johannsson, and other federal and military officials and business leaders, will announce and outline a cyber security economic development plan that will strengthen the State's already strong cyber security industry and increase career and business opportunities for Marylanders. In addition, Governor O'Malley will kick off the "CyberMaryland" Summit, and will release Maryland's first comprehensive inventory of the cyber security sector in Maryland, the "CyberMaryland" Report.

The announcement and the Summit will be held this **Monday, January 11, 2010 at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)**, a non-regulatory federal agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce, charged with advancing and promoting U.S. innovation and industrial competitiveness to enhance economic security. The Summit brings Maryland's technology companies, research laboratories, federal facilities, key industry leaders, and university officials together to position Maryland as the leader in the nation's cyber security industry.

**WHAT: GOVERNOR O'MALLEY TO ANNOUNCE CYBER SECURITY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

WHEN: MONDAY, January 11, 2010
Summit is from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Speaking Program begins at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
100 Bureau Drive
Gaithersburg, Maryland

NOTE: For admission to the NIST campus, a secure facility, for the Cyber Maryland Summit, please RSVP to Maureen Kilcullen, mkilcullen@choosemaryland.org, by 12:00 noon on Thursday, January 7.

Media is invited to join Governor O'Malley and NIST Director Gallagher at 10:40 for a tour of NIST facilities for Homeland Security technology development.