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9/11 Widow to be Honored May 1 at French Consulate in NYC

Ms. Lohez to be decorated as Knight in National Order of Merit by French Consul General

New York, N.Y. – The French Consul General in New York City, [Mr. Bertrand Lortholary](#), will preside during a May 1, 2013, ceremony at the French Consulate in New York, recognizing the international service of [Ms. Dening Wu Lohez](#).

Ms. Lohez has been appointed to the rank of Knight in the [French National Order of Merit](#) by the Government of France. The appointment is by the order of French President François Hollande, based on the recommendation of Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius.

Lohez is the widow of Jérôme R. Lohez, one of five French nationals who perished in the World Trade Center, Sept. 11, 2001. Ms. Lohez is the founder and chair of the New York City-based [Jérôme Lohez 9/11 Scholarship Foundation](#). The foundation was created to promote educational and cultural exchange between France and the United States.

“This distinction marks in particular the recognition by French authorities of your engagement in the service of education and French-American relations,” French Ambassador to the US [François Delattre](#) wrote to Ms. Lohez in his formal letter of congratulations. “This honor is a profound source of joy for all who admire your work, for whom it serves equally as an example and a source of encouragement.”

As an expression of its expanded global vision for the future, the Lohez 9/11 Foundation initiated partnerships in 2012 with international graduate programs at universities in Shanghai and Beijing. Ms. Lohez was born in Shanghai and currently holds dual French-American citizenship.

The Decoration Ceremony will be combined with the annual Lohez Foundation Awards Ceremony, in which current student recipients of the Lohez Scholarship are honored by the foundation.

To arrange a media interview with Ms. Lohez, or to reach out to other VIPs, please contact Mr. Patrick A. Berzinski at patrick@tranquility49.com or 201-232-2297.

WHAT: National Order of Merit Decoration Ceremony for Ms. Dening Wu Lohez
WHERE: The Consulate General of France in New York, 934 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10021
WHEN: May 1, 2013 starting at 6:30 p.m.
WHO: Consul General Bertrand Lortholary, Ms. Dening Wu Lohez, invited dignitaries.

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