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AGI and AAAS Present Earth Science Photography Exhibit

Alexandria, VA – The American Geological Institute (AGI) is proud to announce that it will be co-sponsoring with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), the exhibit “Stones from the Sky: Landscapes of Geology” featuring the stunning aerial photography of Michael Collier. The exhibit will be on display at the AAAS Gallery in Washington, DC June 7 – September 14, 2007.

The exhibit will open on June 7 at 6:00 p.m. with a slide presentation by Michael Collier of his work followed by a reception. Those attending the event will be able to purchase signed copies of Collier’s latest book, *Over the Mountains: An Aerial View of Geology* (ISBN: 1-9314-1418-1).

Over the Mountains contains large-format color photographs of the major mountain ranges in the United States, illuminating the geologic processes that created them. Each photograph is accompanied by concise text, diagrams and captions to explain the geologic story behind the awe-inspiring scenes.

Renowned in geosciences for his work, Collier has received the American Geological Institute’s Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Public Understanding of Geosciences. His books have won the National Outdoor Book Award, the National Park Service Director’s Award and the U.S. Geological Survey’s Communications Award.

The AAAS Gallery is located at 12th and H streets, N.W., in Washington, D.C. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. For more information, contact Virginia Stern of the AAAS Art of Science and Technology Program at 202-326-6672, or Shirley Koller, AAAS curator, at 202-333-4817.

The American Geological Institute is a nonprofit federation of 44 geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 120,000 geologists, geophysicists, and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources and interaction with the environment.

The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) is the world’s largest general scientific society, and publisher of the journal, *Science* (www.sciencemag.org). AAAS was founded in 1848, and has 262 affiliated societies and academies of science, serving 10 million individuals. *Science* has the largest paid circulation of any peer-reviewed general science journal in the world, with an estimated total readership of 1 million. The non-profit AAAS (www.aaas.org) is open to all and fulfills its mission to “advance science and serve society” through initiatives in science policy, international programs, science education and more. For the latest research news, log onto EurekaAlert!, www.eurekaalert.org, the premier science-news Web site, a service of AAAS.

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