

DADE POLITICS

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Women of power talk money

Costa Rican Vice President **Rebecca Gynspan** arrives Saturday night to join the many dignitaries in town this week for the 1997 Global Summit of Women.

Global Power Brokers' Central: the Hotel Inter-Continental.

In 1994, Gynspan became the second woman to be vice president of Costa Rica. But just as importantly — especially for *this* conference — she made her way into that post as an economist.

The summit's purpose, you see, is furthering women's economic progress.

"Outside of the luminaries, I'd like the people to also pay attention to where it is women could wield the most clout in the future global economy," said **Irene Natividad**, the Washington, D.C.-based summit director.

Another Vice Prez — **Speciosa Wandira-Kazibwe** of Uganda — will be among leaders from 80 countries attending the event.

Gynspan will speak Sunday, the closing day of the summit.

She'll be in powerful company. Nicaraguan President **Violeta Chamorro** will be the keynote speaker Sunday — two days after she turns over her post to President-elect **Arnoldo Aleman**. (Alas, a guy.)

As a result, Chamorro's visit to the summit is expected to be a quick one.

"She's inaugurating her successor Friday, so it's a bit hairy," Natividad said. "They're telling us it's going to be an in-and-out visit."