2nd Myanmar-US/UK Nonproliferation Dialogue
Yangon, Myanmar
December 4-5, 2014

AGENDA

Wednesday, December 3, 2014
US/UK Participants Arrive
18:30 Opening Dinner

Thursday, December 4, 2014
8:30 Registration
9:00 Session 1: Nonproliferation Implementation Status and Prioritization
This session will discuss Myanmar's nonproliferation implementation status and prioritization. What is the overall state of global nonproliferation efforts today? Since the government's decision to transition toward democracy, open to the world, and, among other things, endorse the nonproliferation regime, how much has Myanmar achieved in nonproliferation? What are the tangible (and intangible) deliverables? How far has the process gone? What remains to be done? At present and looking to the future, what are the priorities? What should Myanmar prioritize at the 2015 Review Conference of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty? More generally, what are the challenges and opportunities to implement nonproliferation in Myanmar? How can challenges be better addressed and opportunities better exploited?

US/UK Speaker: Lewis Dunn
Myanmar Speaker:

10:30 Coffee Break
10:45 Session 2: The Additional Protocol and the Modified Small Quantities Protocol
This session will look at the Additional Protocol (AP) and the modified Small Quantities Protocol (SQP), with an eye toward how they can be properly implemented. What are the AP and modified SQP? What purpose do they serve? What is the relationship between the two protocols? How do they complement each other? Since it signed an AP in September 2013, what has Myanmar achieved to work toward its adoption and entry into force? Have there been implementation challenges? When does Myanmar intend to
submit a modified SQP? What is the approximate timeline for completion? What are the lessons of this process?

US/UK Speaker: Matthew Cottee
Myanmar Speaker:

12:15 Lunch

13:45 Session 3: Implementation of the Biological and Chemical Weapons Conventions
This session will examine the implementation processes associated with the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) and the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC). What are the BWC's implementation requirements? Now that Myanmar has acceded to the BWC, what steps does it need to take to incorporate the Convention's provisions into its national laws and regulations? What is the status of this process? Similarly, what are the CWC's implementation requirements? Given its recent interactions with the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and its commitment to accede to the CWC expeditiously, how prepared is Myanmar to implement this convention? What will it need to do after accession? What are the challenges to BWC and CWC implementation in Myanmar? How can they be overcome?

US/UK Speaker: Scott Spence
Myanmar Speaker:

15:15 Coffee Break

15:30 Session 4: Missile Proliferation and Nonproliferation
This session will explore the problem of missile proliferation and ways to combat it. What is missile proliferation? What are the technical and scientific concerns surrounding missile proliferation? What are the challenges in addressing it? How has missile proliferation been addressed by the international community? What is the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (HCOC)? What is its purpose? What is its scope? What are its key provisions and requirements? How is the HCOC implemented? Does Myanmar envision joining the HCOC? What steps would it need to take to become a subscribing party? Would this entail specific challenges? How could they be resolved?

US/UK Speaker: Douglas Tincher
Myanmar Speaker:

17:00 Session Adjourns

18:30 Dinner
Friday, December 5, 2014

9:00 Session 5: Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540
This session will focus on United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1540 with a specific emphasis on how to improve its implementation. What is UNSCR 1540? What is its purpose? What are its main provisions? What are the reporting requirements? How can the Resolution be properly implemented? What is the role of national action plans (NAP)? What is the relationship between NAPs and the assistance provided by donor states? What is the best way to draft a NAP? How should Myanmar proceed to draft a NAP?

US/UK Speaker:  Tanya Ogilvie-White
Myanmar Speaker:

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Session 6: Strategic Trade Controls and the Proliferation Security Initiative
This session will discuss strategic trade controls and the role of the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI). What are strategic trade controls? How do they work? What are they meant to achieve? What is the impact of strategic trade controls on trade? What is the process to develop strategic trade controls? What steps would Myanmar need to take to adopt and implement strategic trade controls? What is PSI? What are its goals and objectives? What is the relationship between strategic trade controls and PSI?

US/UK Speaker:  Ian Stewart
Myanmar Speaker:

12:15 Lunch

This session will examine the role of United Nations sanctions resolutions and their implementation requirements. What are United Nations sanctions resolutions? What are their purpose? How do they work? How do they differ from UNSCR 1540? What are their provisions and main implementation requirements? Specifically, what are the provisions and implementation requirements of the United Nations sanctions regimes imposed on North Korea and Iran? What are the priorities to best implement these regimes?

US/UK Speaker:  William Newcomb
Myanmar Speaker:

15:15 Coffee Break

15:30 Session 8: Conclusions and Next Steps
This session will summarize the meeting's discussions, identify its key findings, and reflect on next steps for this dialogue. What stand out as the key takeaways of the past
two days? What are the main problems facing Myanmar in its efforts to endorse nonproliferation rules and norms? What are the solutions in the short-, medium-, and long-terms? How can this dialogue better assist Myanmar's efforts? What the next steps for Myanmar? In particular, what is Myanmar’s intention vis-à-vis the Arms Trade Treaty?

17:00  Meeting Adjourns

18:30  Farewell Dinner