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**US-ROK-Japan Trilateral Strategic Dialogue
Royal Lahaina Resort ♦ Maui ♦ July 19-21, 2015**

AGENDA

Sunday, July 19, 2015

Participants arrive

6:30 PM **Opening Trilateral Dinner – *Villas Lawn***

Monday, July 20, 2015

8:00 AM **Continental breakfast – *Hale Pi‘ilani room***

9:00 AM **Introductory remarks**

9:15 AM **Session 1: Comparative Security Assessments**

In this session, each presenter will explain how his or her country assesses Northeast Asian threats. What are the most imminent challenges and concerns to your country’s security? What are medium-term and longer-term threats? Specifically, what are your country’s threat perceptions of North Korea? Of China? What could cause escalation to a military engagement in the region? What are the most likely escalation risks? Which are most worrisome? Presenters should be as detailed as possible and discuss conventional, chemical, biological, cyber, space, and nuclear challenges and interactions between them. Discussions of how to address these concerns should be withheld to the next session.

ROK presenter: Dr. Kang CHOI

US presenter: RADM Michael MCDEVITT (USN, Ret.)

Japan presenter: Prof. Tomonori YOSHIZAKI

10:30 AM **Coffee break**

10:45 AM **Session 2: Trilateral Cooperation to Deter and Respond**

Each presenter will describe ways to improve US-ROK-Japan trilateral cooperation to address the Northeast Asian concerns discussed in the previous session. How can trilateralism improve deterrence and how is deterrence weakened by the failure of trilateralism? What are your country’s roles and responsibilities to deter *and* respond to these threats? What are your expectations of the other two countries’ roles and responsibilities? How can each of these roles and responsibilities be enhanced and better coordinated? How can we build upon

the recently-concluded memorandum of understanding on a trilateral agreement to exchange intelligence about North Korean nuclear and missile programs? What next steps should receive priority to improve cooperation in peacetime and during a contingency? US and Japanese presenters should address how the outcomes of the Japan-US Security Consultative Committee and the revision of Japan-US Defense Guidelines could enhance such cooperation. Japanese presenter should also address the impact of changes in Japan's policy toward collective self-defense.

Japan presenter: Ms. Ayako SHIMIZU, Mr. Tetsuo KOTANI

US presenter: Lt. Gen. Wallace "Chip" GREGSON (Ret.)

ROK presenter: Dr. Woo-Taek HONG

12:30 PM **Boxed Lunch in breakout rooms: Tabletop exercise: Groups get exercise, prepare answers to questions**

2:30 PM **Round One Assessment**

Plenary reconvenes to provide answers to questions and how each group reached those conclusions. After each presentation, the group is questioned by others on process and outcome.

5:00 PM **Session adjourns**

Dinner at leisure

Tuesday, July 21, 2015

8:00 AM **Continental breakfast – Hale Pi'ilani room**

8:30 AM **Round two begins**

10:30 AM **Round two assessment**

12:30 PM **Lunch – Royal Ocean Terrace Restaurant**

2:00 PM **Session 3: Assessing the TTX**

This session critically examines the outcomes of the TTX, focusing on expectations among all players, especially as identified in Session 2. What divergences among countries were revealed? How did responses differ from expectations? What are the key lessons learned from this exercise? What differences are there between this year's TTX and last year's?

4:00 PM **Session 4: Next Steps**

What should be done to close those gaps, to move trilateral cooperation forward, as well as next steps for Pacific Forum and this DTRA process.

5:30 PM **Meeting adjourns**

6:30 PM **Dinner – Villas Lawn**