

6th Myanmar-US Nonproliferation Dialogue

Naypyidaw, Myanmar Dec. 11-12, 2018

AGENDA

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Session 1: Current and future directions for the Myanmar-US relationship and implications for nonproliferation implementation This session will focus on Myanmar's relations with the United States. How have relations between Myanmar and the United States changed over the past year? How have perceptions about the relationship changed? What are the priorities for further development and improvement of the relationship? What are the key challenges? How can they be overcome? What are the implications for nonproliferation? Can nonproliferation

implementation be insulated from the difficulties facing the broader relationship?

Speaker: U Ko Ko Hlaing Bob Girrier

10:45 Coffee Break

11:00 Session 2: Implementing nuclear nonproliferation and ensuring the safety and security of radioactive sources

This session will examine the status of Myanmar's accession to and implementation of nuclear-related treaties and conventions. What progress has Myanmar made toward implementing the Additional Protocol and modified Small Quantities Protocol? What is Myanmar's timeline for completing implementation? What are the challenges to progress? What are the next steps for implementing the recently-ratified Amended Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material and the Convention on Nuclear Safety? How does Myanmar manage the safety and security of radioactive sources? How can such management be improved? What external agencies can provide assistance?

Speaker: Dr. Khin Maung Latt Miles Pomper

- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:45 Session 3: Implementing the Biological and Chemical Weapons Conventions

This session will examine implementation of the Biological and Chemical Weapons Conventions in Myanmar. What are the key components of the implementation process for each convention? What are the major challenges in implementing these conventions, especially at the initial stages? What steps has Myanmar taken to incorporate the Conventions' provisions into its national laws and regulations? What challenges is Myanmar facing? What assistance is available to help implement these conventions and, more generally, to improve bio- and chemical safety and security beyond the requirements laid out in these documents?

Speaker: Dr. Kyaw Moe Aung Dr. Khin Hnin Pwint Pwint

15:00 Coffee Break

15:30 Session 4: Implementing Strategic Trade Controls and UN Sanctions

This session will discuss implementation of a national strategic trade control (STC) program in Myanmar as well as UN sanctions implementation. What is Myanmar's current trade control regime? What are its main components? How is Myanmar's regime governed legally and institutionally? How is this regime evolving? What assistance does Myanmar need to improve its STC program? What assistance is available for implementing a more robust STC program in Myanmar? What are the provisions and implementation requirements of UN sanctions regimes on North Korea and Iran? What are the priorities to best implement these regimes? How does STC help implement these regimes?

Speaker: Daw Khin Mya Mya Htwe Anupam Srivastava U Phone Myint Naing U Kyaw Si Thu

17:00 Session Adjourns

18:30 **Dinner**

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

8:30 Session 5: The Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation

This session will explore the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (HCOC). What is the HCOC? What are its goals and objectives? What is its scope? What are its key provisions and requirements? How is the HCOC implemented? What are its benefits? Are there risks or costs associated with the HCOC? 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?

Speaker: U Kyaw Thu Nyein Carson Kuo

10:00 Coffee Break

10:15 Session 6: Myanmar and ASEAN nonproliferation networks

This session will explore ways to enhance Myanmar's role in official and unofficial regional nonproliferation networks. What is Myanmar's current involvement in promoting

nonproliferation initiatives, especially in ASEAN? How can Myanmar take advantage of ASEAN's nonproliferation institutions, notably the Bangkok Treaty and ASEANTOM? How can Myanmar develop or enhance its involvement with other initiatives, such as the Forum for Nuclear Cooperation in Asia or the Asia-Pacific Safeguards Network? What role could Myanmar play in unofficial forums, notably the Council for Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP)? Why does this matter?

Speaker: Dr. Khin Maung Latt David Santoro

11:45 Wrap-up and next steps

This session will summarize the meeting's discussions, identify its key findings, and reflect on next steps for this dialogue. What are the key takeaways? What are the problems facing Myanmar in its efforts to endorse nonproliferation rules and norms? What are the possible solutions in the short-, medium-, and long-terms? How can this dialogue better assist Myanmar's efforts?

12:30 Farewell Lunch

13:30 Meeting Adjourns