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2006 Issues & Insights Index

Aloha and happy holidays! While you recently received our *PacNet* index, you may not have recently visited our website www.pacificforum.org and seen what's there. In addition to back issues of *PacNet* and our quarterly journal, *Comparative Connections*, we have published a number of studies and reports from our conferences and dialogues with other regional institutions. These monographs can be found online at www.csis.org/pacfor/issues/. They include:

Issues & Insights No. 1-06 – January 2006

"U.S.-China Relations and East Asia Regionalism: What Lies Ahead?" by Ralph A. Cossa

The monograph is an expanded version of a paper originally presented at the Institute for Southeast Asian Studies' annual Regional Outlook Forum at the Shangri-La Hotel in Singapore, Jan. 5, 2006.

Issues & Insights No. 2-06 – January 2006

"U.S.-China Strategic Nuclear Dialogue"

The United States and China are at a critical juncture in their bilateral relationship; each needs to better understand the other's military capabilities. The most important factors affecting the U.S.-China strategic relationship are, for the U.S., its position at the top of the relative power hierarchy and, for China, its turn from an autarchic ideological system to broad-based international engagement.

Issues & Insights No. 3-06 – January 2006

"New Views of Cross-Strait Challenges"

The fourth volume of papers from Pacific Forum's Young Leaders reflects two days of dialogue with civic organizations and political parties where they heard Taiwanese views on regional security issues, Taiwan's democracy, and its role in the region and the world.

Issues & Insights No. 4-05 – January 2006

"Fighting the Spread of WMD: Views from the Next Generation," edited by Brad Glosserman

The Young Leaders address what they see as the greatest threat to the global nonproliferation regime and the policy prescription their country can use to combat the threat.

Issues & Insights No. 5 - 06 - March 2006

"An Action Plan to Counter the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction in the Asia Pacific," by Brad Glosserman

The Action Plan is designed to support, strengthen, and solidify nonproliferation norms. It provides a road map on grassroots capacity building for East Asian nations to develop the knowledge, skills, or resources needed to implement nonproliferation programs.

Issues & Insights No. 6 - 06 - March 2006

"U.S. Alliances in Asia: Views of the Next Generation," edited by Brad Glosserman

In the sixth volume, the Young Leaders look at the current state and future of the U.S.-ROK and U.S.-Japan alliances. The papers focused on changing perceptions of the external environment, of domestic political priorities, of each ally's place in the world, and of the U.S. itself

Issues & Insights No. 7 - 06 – May 2006

"Strengthening the Global Nonproliferation Regime: Views from the Next Generation," edited by Brad Glosserman

"What is the greatest threat to the global nonproliferation regime?" The question is taken up again by the Young Leaders at the third CSCAP WMD Workshop in Singapore in the seventh volume of Young Leaders papers.

Issues & Insights No. 8-06 - May 2006

"From Triangles to Trilaterals: The Next Generation Views U.S.-China-Japan Relations," edited by Brad Glosserman

The Young Leaders study the complex and confusing relationships between the U.S., Japan, and China. A common thread was Yasukuni Shrine – visits by the prime minister and the shrine itself.

Issues and Insights No. 9-06 – June 2006

"U.S.-China and East Asia Relations" by Fidel V. Ramos

A transcript of a speech given by Fidel V. Ramos, former president of the Philippines, at the inaugural "Ambassador L.W. 'Bill' and Jean Lane Lecture in Diplomacy" May 12, 2006 in Washington, D.C. He called for the creation of a *Pax Asia Pacifica* to be the logical successor to the *Pax Americana* that has provided peace and stability in East Asia for decades.

Issues and Insights No. 10-06 – July 2006

"Regional Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding," by CSCAP Study Group on Peacekeeping and Peace-building in the Asia Pacific

On March 11-12, 2006, 22 experts from across the Asia Pacific convened in Vancouver for the second meeting of the CSCAP Study Group on Regional Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding. The Study Group identified several political, operational, and organizational challenges to, and opportunities for, expanding and improving upon the Asia Pacific's current contributions to international peacekeeping and peacebuilding efforts.

Issues and Insights No. 11-06 – July 2006

"Strategic Visions for U.S.-China-Japan Relations," by Brad Glosserman

Despite growing calls for three-way cooperation, relations among the United States, China, and Japan remain more triangular than trilateral. That is, they are the sum of bilateral relationships among the three countries rather than genuine three-way interaction. The failure to create a truly trilateral relationship has important consequences.

Issues and Insights No. 12-06 – July 2006

"Suspicions and Shared Interests: Seventh Dialogue on Sino-U.S. Relations and Regional Security," edited by Brad Glosserman

The U.S. and China relationship continues to grow in importance. While common concerns and interests are readily discernable, the two countries have not yet established a way to work together to achieve them. An evolving regional and international environment has produced new security challenges and created a new context for U.S.-China relations.

Issues and Insights No. 13-06 – August 2006

"U.S.-ROK Relations: Searching for a Vision," by Brad Glosserman and Sun Namkung

The U.S.-ROK alliance is searching for a new equilibrium. South Korea continues its domestic political evolution. The U.S. is reconfiguring its forces on the Peninsula as part of a broader realignment of military forces worldwide. On the economic front, Washington and Seoul have agreed to proceed with a free trade agreement, the ultimate success of which is by no means guaranteed.

Issues and Insights No. 14-06 - September 2006

"Seeking Stability: Young Leaders Look at the U.S. - ROK Alliance," edited by Brad Glosserman

This volume of Young Leaders papers discusses the next generation's viewpoint on the U.S.-ROK relationship and to lay out the basis for the partnership that surmounted the changes and challenges faced by the two allies.

Issues and Insights No. 15-06 - September 2006

"Finding Space, Building Ties: Young Leaders Look at U.S. - China Relations," edited by Brad Glosserman

Officially, U.S.-China relations are today characterized as "complex." Members of the Pacific Forum Young Leaders program got a firsthand glimpse of that complexity at the U.S.-China Security Workshop. In this volume, they share their views and concerns and offer remedies to encourage better relations between China and the U.S.

Issues and Insights No. 16-06 – October 2006

"Japan-U.S. Security Relations: Staying the Course in a New Era," by Brad Glosserman (available in both English and Japanese)

The mood was positive when more than 40 current and former government officials and analysts met in San Francisco for the 12th annual Japan-U.S. Security Seminar. The group

discussed energy issues and Yasukuni Shrine – a symbolic and physical impediment to good relations between Japan and its neighbors. The participants warned of problems plainly visible on the horizon and identified both the sources of the alliance's current strength and the issues that could undermine it.

Issues and Insights No. 17-06 - October 2006

"Arranged Marriage of the Willing: Public Diplomacy Prescriptions for Sino-Japanese Relations," by Peng Claire Bai

China-Japan relations have entered a period of unprecedented tension. Official state visits have stopped since Prime Minister Koizumi's 2001 trip to China; and high-level dialogues have all but ceased. People-to-people diplomacy is an ideal solution to bridge the gap and relieve tension. However, civilian friendship groups working on China-Japan issues alone cannot fix the deterioration. The most effective policy option is government-sponsored public diplomacy.

Issues and Insights No. 18-06 – December 2006

"A New Socio-Political Breeze in South Korea: The New Right and New Left," by Jiyon Shin

Having experienced the ups and downs of both conservative and progressive regimes, a small but growing number of Koreans have concluded that a healthy mix of the two is essential. These movements, the "new right" and "new left," are gaining momentum in South Korea.

Issues and Insights No. 19-06 - December 2006

"Japan-China Relations: U.S. Perspectives and Suggested Responses," A Pacific Forum CSIS Young Leaders Assessment

The Japan-China relationship is of critical importance to Asia and the U.S. Cooperative relations between Tokyo and Beijing could provide the foundation for a broader community in East Asia and will facilitate the resolution of problems that threaten to derail the region's development. The Young Leaders produced a joint paper to explore all dimensions of the relationship – economics, energy, military, and culture.

Issues and Insights No. 20-06 - December 2006

"China's Evolving Military Doctrine," by Nan Li, Eric McVadon, and Qinghong Wang

As China continues to emerge on the global stage, increasing attention is being paid to the growing capabilities and doctrine of the Peoples' Liberation Army (PLA). At a recent seminar, two U.S. specialists on the PLA, provided their insights on how to interpret the changes in China's military doctrine. Those views are provided in this volume to stimulate debate and further understanding of China's growing military capability and how it might be employed.

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