PACIFIC FORUM

Seminar on Strategic Trade Controls in Southeast Asia
Edsa Shangri-La | Manila, Philippines | September 19-20, 2019
AGENDA

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

18:30   **Opening Dinner – Santan 2 Room**

Thursday, September 19, 2019

8:30   **Registration – Santan Room**

9:00   **Welcome Remarks**
                  Carl BAKER

9:15   **Session 1: UNSCR 1540 at 15**
United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 is now 15 years old. In 2004, governments were urgently concerned about non-state actors and WMD proliferation. How relevant is 1540 to states and the region today? What are the general provisions of UNSCR 1540? What 1540 tools can help with other challenges? How can implementation assistance be improved? What can we expect for the Comprehensive Review in 2021? This session will also address the options for reform and refocus to deepen the momentum for implementation and enforcement in vibrant economies such as ASEAN.
Presenters:
Seema GAHLAUT
Rajiv NAYAN

10:30   **Coffee Break**

10:45   **Session 2: Economic Benefits of STC?**
What economic/trade facilitation benefits have been realized by states that have implemented an STC system? Does an STC system make it possible to move up the technology supply chain? Have states newly implementing an STC system lost potential sales? This session addresses how quantify the benefits/drawbacks of an STC system and invites industry to share its observations and experience.
Presenters:
George TAN
Lino ARBOLEDA
Deo CARINO

12:00   **Lunch - HEAT**

13:15	**Session 3: Effective Risk Management**

Effective risk management is essential to the smooth functioning of an STC system. What does effective risk management entail from a licensing perspective? What about from an industry perspective? From an enforcement perspective? Where do these perspectives on risk management overlap, and where do they diverge?

Presenters:
Lorenz Anthony FERNANDO
Kansakol INDRASAWAT

14:15	**Session 4: Update on Assistance and Evaluation Programs**

This session will provide an outline and update on the various programs available to support countries' development and enhancement of STC, including national (e.g., US, Japan, South Korea), multinational (e.g., EU) and NGO (e.g., Stimson Center) programs. It will also offer a broad outline of the major donor countries' priorities. For example, how has the US' shift in focus to a threat-based model and sanctions enforcement affected US assistance programs? Has the European Union been able to successfully incorporate human rights considerations into its outreach programs?

Presenters:
Seema GAHLAUT
Mohamed SHAHABAR
Masaaki TAKASHIMA
Kihoon SHIN

15:30	**Coffee Break**

15:45	**Session 5: Philippines' STC System**

This session will focus on the Philippines' STC system. It will begin with a description of the Philippines "long and arduous" STC journey. It will review challenges in the passage and implementation of STMA and how STC champions were able to win over key political leadership, plus its experience with technical assistance from the United States and others. It will then provide an update on the Philippines' STMA, STMO, IT infrastructure, and online licensing system.

Presenters:
Ransom AVILLA
Luis CATIBAYAN
Kevin UITVLUGT

17:00	**Session Adjourns**

18:30	**Dinner – Kamia 1 Room**

9:00 **Session 6: Regional Update 1 – Malaysia, Singapore, and Hong Kong**
This session will provide updates on the STC systems of Malaysia, Singapore, and Hong Kong. These countries and region will share any updates on their STC legislation and regulations; control lists; interagency challenges and reach-back (information-sharing) capabilities; resourcing for STC; and industry outreach programs. It will also address what trade facilitation benefits, if any, have been realized since full implementation of their STC systems.
Presenters:
Mega Marissa MALEK
Christopher LIM

10:15 **Session 7: Regional Update 2 – Myanmar, Cambodia, and Laos**
This session will provide updates on the STC systems of Myanmar, Cambodia, and Laos. These countries will share updates on their legislation and regulatory development for STC implementation; control list development; interagency challenges and reach-back (information-sharing) capabilities; domestic resources available for STC; and industry outreach programs. It will also address what trade facilitation benefits, if any, have been realized.
Presenters:
Phone Myint Naing
Huy BUNCHHAY

11:30 **Session 8: Regional Update 3 – Thailand, Vietnam, and Indonesia**
This session will provide updates on the STC systems of Thailand, Vietnam, and Indonesia. These countries will share updates on their legislation and regulatory development for STC implementation; control list development; interagency challenges and reach-back (information-sharing) capabilities; domestic resources available for STC; and industry outreach programs. It will also address what trade facilitation benefits, if any, have been realized.
Presenters:
Pimmada LAOHASIRI
Ruth Evelin PASARIBU

12:30 **Wrap-Up, Concluding Remarks, and Next Steps**
This session will summarize the meeting's key findings and reflect on next steps for STC in Southeast Asia.

13:00 **Meeting Adjourns**