

*Trilateral dialogue on*  
**“Cross-Strait Relations”**

**August 13, 2008**  
**DoubleTree Alana Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii**

**Agenda**

**Wednesday, Aug. 13**

1:30PM      **Introduction and Opening remarks**  
Presenters: Ralph Cossa, Wu Xinbo, and Hung-mao Tien

2:00PM      **Session 1: Perspectives on Cross-Strait Relations**

This session provides individual perspectives on the cross-Strait relationship. How does each side define and view “status quo?” Is it realistic to maintain a “status quo” policy? What are the major events and influences that are shaping the trajectory of the relationship? How have the recent elections in Taiwan influenced each government’s perspectives? What impact will improved economic relations have on the security relationship? How will the changing relationship influence regional security thinking? How does each government view the current pace of change in the relationship?

3:30PM      **Break**

3:45PM      **Session 2: Role of the U.S. in Cross-Strait Relations**

This session will focus on the role of the U.S. in influencing the cross-Strait relationship. How does each side view the U.S. role? What should the U.S. do to promote better relations between the mainland and Taiwan? How do the U.S. alliances with Japan and South Korea influence thinking about the U.S. role in cross-Strait relations? Is cross-Strait confidence building possible? Desirable? Feasible?

5:00PM      **Session 3: Closing Remarks**