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The 8th dialogue on "Sino-U.S. Relations and Regional Security"

August 13-15, 2008 DoubleTree Alana Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii

AGENDA

Wednesday, Aug. 13

6:30PM Opening reception/dinner – Hotel Pool Deck (Mezzanine Level)

Thursday, Aug, 14

8:30 AM Continental Breakfast – Room 303

9:00AM Introduction and Opening Remarks

Presenters: Wu Xinbo, Ralph Cossa

9:15AM Session 1: Developments in Regional Security and Bilateral Relations

This session provides an overview of developments since we last met. What events and trends are shaping the regional security outlook? How does each country interpret and assess them? What is the status of Sino-Japanese dialogue and overtures? What has been the impact of the Beijing Olympics? What is the status of the bilateral China-U.S. relationship? How successful has the Strategic Dialogue process been? How can it be improved? How have these talks influenced regional dynamics? What is the relationship between strategic economic and military dialogue? Has there been any progress on the military transparency issue?

Moderator: Tao Wenzhao

Presenters: Wu Xinbo, Phillip Saunders

10:30AM Coffee Break

10:45AM Session 2: Energy and Environmental Issues

How does each side assess recent developments related to energy and environmental security? What are the key issues in regional energy security? How are the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the East Asia Summit addressing energy security? What are the implications of increased reliance on nuclear power for proliferation of fissile material?

How does each side assess the prospects for cooperation on the Bali Roadmap on climate change? What are prospects for cooperation in energy and environmental security?

Moderator: Michael McDevitt

Presenters: Zha Daojiong, Chris McNally

12:00PM Lunch – J Bistro (Lobby Level)

1:30PM Session 3: Developments and Prospects in Cross-Strait Relations

How does each side assess recent developments in cross-Strait relations? What are the prospects for reducing political tensions over the next several years? What practical steps can be taken to re-invigorate cross-strait dialogue? Are cross-Strait confidence building measures possible? Desirable? What role can and should the U.S. play in the cross-Strait dialogue? How does each side define "status quo"? Is it realistic to maintain a "status quo" strategy?

Moderator: Shen Dingli

Presenters: Xin Qiang, Denny Roy

3:00PM Coffee Break

3:30PM Session 4: Korean Peninsula Issues

How do the two sides view developments on the Korean Peninsula? What are the desired outcomes for the Six-Party Talks? What are the prospects for continued cooperation on the denuclearization issue? What does Washington expect from Beijing? What does Beijing expect from Washington? Are these expectations realistic? Do we have a common definition of what constitutes success or failure? How has the change in governments in South Korea affected the Six-Party Talks? How does each side view recent developments in U.S.-South Korea military cooperation?

Moderator: Ralph Cossa

Presenters: Xia Liping, Scott Snyder

5:00PM Adjourn

6:30PM Reception/dinner – Hotel Pool Deck (Mezzanine Level)

Friday, Aug. 15

8:30 AM Continental Breakfast – Room 303

9:00AM Session 5: Northeast Asia Security Architecture

How do the two sides assess the current security architecture in Northeast Asia? What's the impact of China's growing influence in the region? How does the Japanese effort to become a "normal country" affect the regional architecture? What are the implications of East Asian economic integration? What role should the U.S. bilateral alliances play in the security architecture? What role should the Shanghai Cooperation Organization play in the regional architecture? What are the prospects for the development of a regional peace and security regime emerging from the Six-Party Talks?

Moderator: Ding Xinghao

Presenters: Xu Hui, Mike McDevitt

10:15AM Break

10:30AM Session 6: The Next U.S. Administration and Its China Policy

What are the respective positions of the Democratic and Republican candidates on China? What are their major concerns and priorities in relations with China? Is it possible to avoid the usual turbulence in bilateral relations at the beginning of the new administration? How can we secure a smooth transition of China policy to the next administration?

Moderator: Scott Snyder

Presenters: Tao Wenzhao, Robert Sutter

12:00PM Lunch - J Bistro (Lobby Level)

1:30PM Session 7: Looking Ahead

This session will look at the future of the relationship. What are the major challenges? What are the prospects and avenues for future cooperation? Attention should be given to issues that will unite or divide the two countries and examine ways both sides can build a more solid relationship. What can track two do? Where should this dialogue go?

Moderator: Yu Bin

Presenters: Shen Dingli, Ralph Cossa

3:30PM Adjourn

4:00PM Young Leaders Session

FREE EVENING