# 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JAPAN-U.S. SECURITY SEMINAR March 15-16, 2013

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## **AGENDA**

### Friday, March 15

- Noon-2:00PM Lunch at leisure
- 3:00PM Welcoming Remarks (Skyline Room B & C, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor) Yoshiji Nogami, JIIA President Ralph Cossa, Pacific Forum CSIS President
- 3:15-5:00PM <u>Session I: Security Perspectives</u> Japan Presenter: Yukio Okamoto US Presenter: Gordon Flake

In this survey of security outlooks, we compare the two countries' assessment of the regional security environment. Participants will identify top security concerns – broadly defined – and prioritize them. What does each country consider a threat to its security and prosperity? Has this threat perception changed since we last met? In particular, is there greater danger of military conflict in East Asia? Why? President Vladimir Putin has said that Russia now sees Asia as key to its future. What is the impact of this shift? Do the two countries agree on the priority of challenges outside East Asia? While China is part of this discussion, an in-depth assessment of China will be taken up in the next session.

6:30-9:00PM	Reception/Dinner		(Skyline Room A, 21 <sup>st</sup> Floor)
	Keynote Address:	Amb. J. Thomas Schie	ffer

#### Saturday, March 16

8:00-9:00AM Continental Breakfast

(Skyline Room B & C, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor)

9:00-10:15AM <u>Session II: Understanding China</u> US Presenter: Brad Glosserman Japan Presenter: Akio Takahara

How does each country characterize or assess Chinese behavior, militarily and diplomatically, in the last year? Has China become more belligerent? If so, why? If not, why has Beijing acted the way it has? How do participants assess Chinese behavior in the South China Sea? Is it different from Chinese behavior regarding the Senkakus? Have our two countries responded properly to these incidents? How can we influence Chinese behavior and decision making? What have been the economic implications and consequences of increased Sino-Japanese tensions? Which side stands to gain or lose the most – politically and economically – from such tensions?

10:15-10:30 Break

#### 10:30-12:00 Session III: Domestic Politics

**3A** [Japanese presenter: Toshihiro Nakayama]: How do Japanese assess the state of US politics? What has been the impact of US elections on foreign policy? What are the prospects for resolving the gridlock in Washington? How do Japanese assess the new US foreign policy team?

**3B [US presenter: Torkel Patterson]:** How do Americans assess the state of Japanese politics? What has been the impact of the December elections in Japan? What is the meaning and significance of the Osprey protests in Japan?

12:00-1:30PM Lunch

(Skyline Room A, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor)

#### 1:30-3:00PM <u>Session IV: The Return of Geoeconomics</u> US Presenter: Charles Morrison Japan Presenter: Yoshiji Nogami

This session explores each country's understanding of the role of economics in influencing regional dynamics and the institutions that shape economic interactions. Is there a tension between economic relations and security partnerships? How does each country prioritize transpacific institutions with those in its own region (i.e., the ASEAN Plus Three and NAFTA in relation to APEC)? Is there a tension between them? How does each country assess of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), APEC, the Comprehensive Economic Partnership of East Asia (CEPEA), and APEC? Should Japan consider tighter ties to the US as suggested at last year's meeting?

3:00-3:15PM Break

## 3:15-5:00PM <u>Session V: National Security Policies and Strategic Cooperation</u> Japan Presenter: Takashi Kawakami US Presenter: Evans Revere

This session focuses on implementation of the two countries' national security policies the "rebalance" and the National Defense Program Guidelines - and their implications for the alliance. Has the rebalance proceeded as anticipated? What problems have arisen? Has the US deterrent been impacted by regional developments? How? How has Japan implemented "dynamic deterrence?" How have efforts to improve jointness and maneuverability proceeded? What more needs to be done? How does each side assess strategic cooperation and the review of US-Japan defense cooperation, in particular? What could be the new elements for the revised, if any, the Guidelines for Japan-US Defense Cooperation? What more can be done to make such efforts more effective? Can the two countries agree on a vision for alliance cooperation? What is it? Are there opportunities for trilateral security cooperation with South Korea and US? What limits such cooperation? What can be done to remedy these limitations?

#### 5:00-5:30PM Session VI: Wrap up and conclusions

Final thoughts with special emphasis on how to make the 20<sup>th</sup> seminar a landmark event.

6:30PM Reception/Dinner at Consul General Hiroshi Inomata's Residence