

Trilateral Security Dialogue between China, Japan, and the U.S.

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Participants arrive and check-in at Shaoyuan, Guest House of Peking University

18:30-20:30: Reception Dinner (Yanyuan Hall, Shaoyuan Guesthouse, PKU)

August 29, 2009

8:30-8:45: **Registration**

8:45-9:00: **Opening Session:**

Speaker: Prof. Wang Jisi, Dean of School of International Studies, PKU
Prof. Takagi Seiichiro, Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan
Mr. Ralph Cossa, President of Pacific Forum CSIS, USA

9:00-11:30 First Session: Views on Each Country's Domestic Political Situation and Implications for Its Relations with the Other Two

This session examines domestic political dynamics in each country and their impact on bilateral ties between the other two. The intent is to assess political dynamics in the individual countries and public expectations regarding the potential for improved relations and developments in bilateral relations between the others. The third party's view could gauge the basic nature of their interactions. What elements are responsible for the public view of the other? What issues are growing or waning in importance? What factors affect their relationships? What policy impact do perceptions of the other have? In what ways do public views in each country run positive rather than negative? Besides public opinion, what other factors influence perceptions and impact the relationships?

Chairperson: Prof. Wang Jisi, Dean of School of International Studies

(1) 9:00-9:45: Views on the U.S. (Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy)

- Presentation by Prof. Toshihiro Nakayama
- Comment by Prof. Jia Qingguo

- U.S. reactions and discussion

9:45-10:00 Coffee Break

(2) 10:00-10:45: Views on Japan (Domestic Politics and Foreign Relations)

- Presentation by Prof. Qin Yaqing
- Comment by Mr. Brad Glosserman
- Japanese reactions and discussion

(3) 10:45-11:30: Views on China (Domestic Politics and Foreign Relations)

- Presentation by Ms. Kerry Dumbaugh
- Comment by Prof. Noboru Yamaguchi
- Chinese reactions and discussion

11:30-13:00: Lunch (Shaoyuan Guesthouse, PKU)

13:00-14:30: **Second Session: “Dealing with North Korea”**

North Korea’s second nuclear test, announced withdrawal from the Six- Party Talks and proclaimed invalidation of the 1953 Armistice Agreement, along with its missile tests are a looming threat. What is the best way to approach this growing threat? What concerns does each country have regarding North Korea? What are the policy priorities in each country? Is a coordinated trilateral approach possible? How? What should the next steps be in response to North Korea’s recent actions?

Chairperson: President Masashi Nishihara, Research Institute of Peace and Security

- (1)13:00-13:15 Presentation by Ms. Bonnie Glaser
- (2)13:15-13:30 Presentation by Prof. Zhang Tuosheng
- (3)13:30-13:45 Presentation by Prof. Yasuyo Sakata

14:30-14:45: Coffee Break

14:45-16:15: **Third Session: “Rapprochement in Cross-Taiwan Strait Relations: Implications for the Region”**

Taiwan is an important regional security issue. How does each country view cross-Strait relations? What are prospects for further improvement? How has the approach of each of the three countries changed following the presidential elections of March 22, 2008? What interests does each country have in the cross-Strait relationship? How do developments in Tibet influence cross-Strait relations? Do Japan and the United States share a common approach to the Taiwan question? How are they different?

Chairperson: Mr. Ralph Cossa, President of CSIS Pacific Forum

- (1) 14:45-15:00 Presentation by Prof. Phil Saunders
- (2) 15:00-15:15 Presentation by Prof. Seichiro Takagi

(3) 15:15-15:30 Presentation by Prof. Yuan Peng

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-1800: **Fourth Session: “Regional Security Perspectives and Emerging Trends”**

How do the three countries view the current regional security environment? What does each see as the most important emerging security issues? Are there major divergences in perspectives? What are the policy implications in these views? What are the prospects for developing regional security mechanisms to deal with emerging security issues? Is there a role for a trilateral dialogue?

Chairperson: Ms. Bonnie Glaser, Senior Research Fellow, CSIS

(1) 16:30-16:45 Presentation by Prof. Mataka Kamiya

(2) 16:45-17:00 Presentation by Prof. Zhu Feng

(3) 17:00-17:15 Presentation by Mr. Alan Romberg

19:00 Dinner, (Jiuhuashan Beijing Duck Restaurant)

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9:00-10:30: **Fifth Session: “Non-traditional Security Issues: Challenges and Implications for the Region”**

Non-traditional issues, such as climate change, energy security, food security and pandemic disease, have emerged as an important element in the security discourse. How do the three countries prioritize non-traditional security issues? What role have they played in maintaining and promoting cooperation between the three countries? What are the challenges and prospects for Washington, Tokyo and Beijing to bilaterally or trilaterally face these emerging security issues? What are the implications of these issues for the development of security architecture in the region?

Chairperson: Prof. Takagi, Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan

(1) 9:00-9:15 Presentation by Prof. Wang Yizhou

(2) 9:15-9:30 Presentation by Prof. Andrew Oros

(3) 9:30-9:45 Presentation by Prof. Toshiya Hoshino

10:30-10:45: Coffee Break

10:45-12:15: **Sixth Session “US-Japan-China Trilateral Dialogue: What is the Potential?”**

A trilateral dialogue between the US, Japan and China is scheduled to begin in July 2009. This dialogue is an important way to pull the three capitals closer and provides

an occasion to address concerns trilaterally. How will the trilateral dialogue function? What are the strategic implications of trilateralism among Washington, Tokyo and Beijing? What are the prospects for trilateralism evolving into a security mechanism? What should the near-term and long-term content of trilateral dialogue be? In what way can the track 2 trilateral dialogue positively influence the track 1 dialogue?

Chairperson: Prof. Zhu Feng, Deputy Director of CISS, PKU

Lead-off remarks by all three delegations President Masashi Nishihara, Professor Jia Qingguo and Mr. Ralph Cossa respectively, and discussion

12:15-13:30: Lunch (Shaoyuan Guesthouse, PKU)

13:30-14:45: **Wrap-up Session**

Main speakers: Ralph Cossa, President of Pacific Forum CSIS
Masashi Nishihara, President of RIPS, Japan
Wang Jisi, Dean of SIS, and Director of CISS, PKU

15:00-18:00: **Young Leaders Forum**

“Trilateral Coordination and Asian Security”

19:00 Closing Dinner

Hangzhou Xinkaiyuan Restaurant