

CHINA'S ROLE IN THE WORLD: IS CHINA A RESPONSIBLE STAKEHOLDER?

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The U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission will conduct a public hearing on **Thursday, August 3, 2006** and **Friday, August 4, 2006** on **China's Role in the World: Is China a Responsible Stakeholder? The hearing will be held in Room 385 Russell Senate Office Building, Delaware & Constitution Avenues, NE, Washington, DC 20510**

The hearing will assess China's role in the world by examining its external and diplomatic activities in several regions and in international organizations and will evaluate the impact those actions have on U.S. interests and security. It also will consider China's domestic energy policies and strategies for acquiring energy resources and will explore what opportunities exist for cooperation between the United States and China to improve energy use and efficiency and decrease competition for oil.

On August 3, the Commission will focus on China's external and diplomatic activities. To better understand this issue, the Commission will hear from members of Congress and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Thomas Christensen. Additionally, policy experts and academic scholars will discuss the effects of China's global outreach and the extent to which China's actions can be characterized as those of a "responsible stakeholder" in international affairs.

On August 4, the hearing will continue with an examination of China's energy activities, including its oil acquisition strategies, and the Commission will hear testimony from Katharine Fredriksen, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy in the Office of Policy and International Affairs, as well as energy industry and policy experts.

THE HEARING AGENDA IS ATTACHED.

Hearing Co chairs: Vice Chairman Carolyn Bartholomew, and Commissioners Dan Blumenthal and Michael Wessel

What: Public Hearing on "China's Role in the World: Is China a Responsible Stakeholder?"

When: Thursday, August 3, 2006 (8:30 am – 5:00 pm) and
Friday, August 4, 2006 (8:30 am – 12:30 pm)

Where: Room 385 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Delaware & Constitution Avenues, NE,
Washington, DC 20510

Panelists' bios and written statements will be available on the Commission's website at www.uscc.gov Thursday, August 3, 2006.

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