

## U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

### Hearing on “Taiwan-China: Recent Economic, Political, and Military Developments across the Strait, and Implications for the United States”

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The U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, March 18, 2010 on “Taiwan-China: Recent Economic, Political, and Military Developments across the Strait, and Implications for the United States.” **The hearing will begin at 8:45 am in Room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building**, located at First Street and Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington DC, 20510.

The March 18 hearing will examine the current situation and recent trends in the cross-Strait relationship from a security, economic, and political perspective, and what recent and future changes may mean for U.S. national interests in the region.

Scheduled to testify on March 18 are Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH); Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R-FL); Congressman Phil Gingrey, M.D. (R-GA); Mr. David B. Shear, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs at the U.S. Department of State; Mr. Michael Schiffer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Asian and Pacific Security Affairs at the U.S. Department of Defense; Mr. Mark Stokes, Executive Director of the Project 2049 Institute; Dr. Albert S. Willner, Director of the China Security Affairs Group at CNA; Mr. David A. Shlapak, Senior International Policy Analyst at The RAND Corporation; Mr. Rupert Hammond-Chambers, President of the U.S.-Taiwan Business Council; Dr. Scott Kastner, Associate Professor in the Department of Government and Politics at the University of Maryland; Dr. Merritt T. (“Terry”) Cooke, CEO of GC3 Strategy Inc.; Dr. Shelly Rigger, Professor of Political Science at Davidson College; Mr. Randall G. Schriver, President and CEO of the Project 2049 Institute; and Dr. Richard C. Bush III, Director of the Center for Northeast Asian Policy Studies at The Brookings Institution. [A copy of the complete hearing agenda is attached at the end of this press announcement.](#)

**Hearing Co-Chairs:** Commissioners Patrick A. Mulloy and Larry M. Wortzel

**What:** Public Hearing on “Taiwan-China: Recent Economic, Political, and Military Developments across the Strait, and Implications for the United States.”

**When:** Thursday, March 18, 2010, 8:45 am to 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Room 562, Dirksen Senate Office Building, First Street and Constitution Avenue, NE Washington DC 20510

**Panelists’ bios and written statements will be available on the Commission’s Web Site at [www.uscc.gov](http://www.uscc.gov) on Thursday, March 18, 2010.**

**Reservations are not required to attend – seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.**

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8:50 am – 9:00 am

**Commissioners’ Opening Statements**

9:00 am – 9:30 am

**Panel I: Congressional Perspectives**

- Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH)
- Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R-FL)
- Congressman Phil Gingrey, M.D. (R-GA)

9:30 am – 11:00 am

**Panel II: Administration Perspectives**

- Mr. David B. Shear, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC
- Mr. Michael Schiffer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Asian and Pacific Security Affairs, U.S. Department of Defense, Washington, DC
- Representative from the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Washington, DC (invited)

11:10 am – 12:30 pm

**Panel III: Military Aspects**

- Mr. Mark Stokes, Executive Director, Project 2049 Institute, Arlington, VA
- Dr. Albert S. Willner, Director, China Security Affairs Group, CNA, Alexandria, VA
- Mr. David A. Shlapak, Senior International Policy Analyst, The RAND Corporation, Pittsburgh, PA

12:30 pm – 1:15 pm

**Lunch Break**

1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

**Panel IV: Economic Aspects**

- Dr. Merritt T. (‘Terry’) Cooke, CEO, GC3 Strategy Inc., Bryn Mawr, PA
- Mr. Rupert Hammond-Chambers, President, U.S.-Taiwan Business Council, Arlington, VA
- Dr. Scott L. Kastner, Associate Professor, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD

2:40 pm – 4:00 pm

**Panel V: Political Aspects**

- Mr. Randall G. Schriver, President and CEO, Project 2049 Institute, Arlington, VA
- Dr. Shelley Rigger, Brown Professor of Political Science, Davidson College, Davidson, NC
- Dr. Richard C. Bush III, Director, Center for Northeast Asian Policy Studies, The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC

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