

Fifth Meeting of the Export Control Experts Group (XCXG) Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP)

Fortuna Hotel - Hanoi, Vietnam Dec.8-10, 2009

AGENDA

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2009

Participants arrive

18:30 **Opening Dinner**

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009

8:45 **Registration**

9:00 Welcome and Introductions

9:30 AM Session 1: Feedback on CSCAP Memorandum on Guidelines for Managing Trade of Strategic Goods

This session will provide feedback from the session on CSCAP Memorandum #14 from the ARF, national governments, and experts. It will include a read-out from the ARF Intersessional Meeting and offer the opportunity for participants to evaluate the progress being made in national implementation of the recommendations outlined in the memorandum. How have the recommendations been received? Are the recommendations realistic? What challenges are anticipated in their full and sustainable implementation? Are there opportunities to develop regional-level solutions to some of the recommendations? [Note: Memo will be circulated to national CSCAP members in advance of the meeting, allowing the attendees to come prepared with either national or personal assessments that address the questions raised above.]

11:45AM **Lunch**

13:00 Session 2: Capacity-building in the Asia Pacific – Role of National Legislation

This session will focus on recent experiences from the region in implementing components of the export control regime with an emphasis on creating effective national legislation. What are the key components of the legislation? What activities are regulated? Is a well-specified control list in place regulating trade in dual-use and conventional munitions items? What agencies are involved in the process? Do they have adequate legal authority, trained manpower and resources to carry out their respective responsibilities? What assistance and outreach programs are available for developing or refining national legislation from national and/or extra-regional entities/actors? Presentations and discussion should address the development process, lessons learned, and anticipated outcomes.

15:00 **Break**

15:15 Session 3: Capacity-building in the Asia Pacific – Role of Enforcement

This session will focus on the enforcement component of the export control regime. The purpose is to examine alternative approaches to dealing with enforcement including organizational structure, inter-agency coordination, role of national Customs, coast guard/navy and intelligence agencies, challenges in implementation and enforcement of existing regulatory mechanisms, and technological solutions to improve national enforcement capacity.

18:30 **Reception and Dinner**

Thursday, Dec. 10, 2008

9:00 Session 4: Proliferation Networks and Export Controls

This session will focus on the relationship between proliferation networks and export controls. How do proliferation networks operate? How significant are they? How do illicit brokers circumvent national licensing requirements? What are the major challenges associated with identifying illicit brokering of dual-use goods? What are the lessons learned from previously identified proliferation networks? What is the relationship between transnational crime hubs and proliferation networks? Are there common solutions to addressing these problems?

10:30 **Break**

10:45 Session 5: Regional Mechanisms and Linkages

This session will focus on the implementation of export controls in the Asia-Pacific region. How is the region linked to the global nonproliferation architecture, especially to the export control regime? How do export controls fit into the ASEAN Regional Forum? What role can or should regional organizations and mechanisms, such as the Bangkok Treaty, play in promoting export controls in the region? What are the challenges to developing robust export control capacity at national levels that promote the region's trade and security objectives? How do these initiatives support the global export control regime? Are they adequately institutionalized? To what extent are national-level export control initiatives and "best practices" shared between countries in the region?

12:00 **Lunch**

13:30 Session 6: Wrap-up, Next Steps and Concluding Remarks

This session will focus on next steps envisioned improving the export control regime in the region and more specifically on the role the Export Controls Experts Group can serve in the regime. What are the options available for implementing national programs? What types of outreach would be most effective in expediting implementation of the recommendations outlined in the CSCAP Guidelines for Managing Trade of Strategic Goods? What areas should the Export Controls Experts Group focus on in future meetings?

18:30 Closing dinner