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COUNCIL FOR SECURITY CO-OPERATION IN THE ASIA
PACIFIC (Aus-CSCAP)**

45th Meeting

Australia's Foreign Policy White Paper

Tuesday 21 February, 2017

*Common Room, University House
ANU, Canberra*

AusCSCAP Meeting – 21 February - ANU Canberra

AusCSCAP 45th meeting, Common Room at University House at 09.00am-12:30pm.

The theme of the meeting will be –
“Australia’s Foreign Policy White Paper”

The theme has been chosen partly because Asialink at Melbourne University has asked AusCSCAP to contribute to the consultation process regarding the 2017 Australian Foreign Policy White Paper.

The purpose of this meeting is to identify and assess the challenges that Australia faces in the Asia-Pacific. We also seek to recommend ways in which Australia might best respond to those challenges.

To help with our analysis, AusCSCAP has invited three senior analysts from our network of CSCAP contacts across the region -

Ambassador Barry Desker

Amb. Barry Desker, headed the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, 2000-2014. Currently Amb. Desker is Singapore's Representative to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights, and Singapore Non-Resident Ambassador to the Holy See and Spain. Formerly he was Singapore Ambassador to Indonesia.

Professor Xue Li

Prof Xue Li is Director of the Department of International Strategy, Institute of World Economics and Politics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) in Beijing. Current research interests include China's foreign policy, particularly in relation to One Belt One Road and South China Sea issues.

Mr. Christopher Elder

Christopher Elder is Senior Fellow in the New Zealand Contemporary China Research Centre at Victoria University of Wellington.

Formerly he was New Zealand Ambassador in four key countries: China, Indonesia, Russia and Germany. He also held positions in the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade including Deputy Secretary for Asian affairs and security policy

Agenda

08:30 Registration

09:00 Opening Comments: The White Paper Terms of Reference –

Major trends: the Trump Administration, and the US role in our region; emerging Chinese global/international leadership; regional tensions. _Other major trends? Challenges to globalization? Future of regional institutions? End of convergence? Terrorism? Cyber-security? Environment?

Discussion:

1. How are other regional countries defining and responding to major trends? -

Singapore and other ASEAN; Japan; India; New Zealand; South Korea; China

2. Defining Australia’s interests, policy priorities, values, foreign policy/security policy differentiated

3. Roadmap for advancing Australia’s interests -

Bilateral priorities? Working regionally with the United States? Australia’s ASEAN/Southeast Asia priority? Indonesia? Navigating the China relationship? Japan? India?

Working with multilateral and regional structures?

Advancing Australia’s open, export-oriented economy?

Promoting Australian regulations and standards?

Leveraging Track II networks?

Coffee will be available during the meeting.

12:30 AusCSCAP business report.

Meeting adjourned, followed by light luncheon.

AusCSCAP 45th Meeting-Participants

Overseas Guests -

Amb. Barry Desker, RSIS, Singapore

Prof. Xue Li, Director, Dept. of International Strategy, CASS

Mr. Chris Elder, Senior Fellow, New Zealand Contemporary China Research Centre

Participants –

Prof. Nicholas Bisley, Exec. Director, La Trobe University, ASIA

Dr. John Blaxland, Strategic & Defence Studies Centre, ANU

Mr. John Buckley, AusCSCAP

Dr. Andrew Carr, Strategic & Defence Studies Centre, ANU

Ms. Melissa Conley-Tyler, Exec. Director, Australian Institute of International Affairs

Dr. Jenny Corbett, Director, Japan Institute, ANU

Mr. Ian Dudgeon, Ian Dudgeon & Associates

Dr. Nicholas Farrelly, Coral Bell School, ANU

Prof. Greg Fealy, Political and Social Change, ANU

GPCAPT A M Tony Forestier, Defence

Prof. Giuseppe Gabusi, University of Turin

Mr. Liam Gammon, ANU

RADM James Goldrick, RAN

Prof. Allan Gyngell, Visiting Fellow, Crawford School, ANU

Prof. David Hegarty, State, Society, and Governance in Melanesia, ANU

Mr. Peter Lee, ANU

Mr. Joel Marks, DFAT

CDRE (ret.d) Jack McCaffrie, AusCSCAP

Mr. Thomas Power, ANU

Prof. Jochen Prantl, Director, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, ANU

Ms. Sophie Qin, Young Australians In International Affairs

Mr. Neal Reddan, Australian Institute of International Affairs

Prof. Anthony Reid, School of Culture, History and Language, ANU

Prof. Richard Rigby, Exec. Director, China Institute

Dr. Christopher Roberts, Director, National Asian Security Studies Program, ADFA

Mr. Hugh Robillard, DFAT

Dr. Richard Tanter, Nautilus Institute

Prof. Brendan Taylor, Head, Bell School, ANU

Prof. William Tow, Strategic & Defence Studies Centre, ANU

Mr. Trevor Wilsom, Visiting Fellow, ANU

Dr. Jong-sung You, Crawford School, ANU

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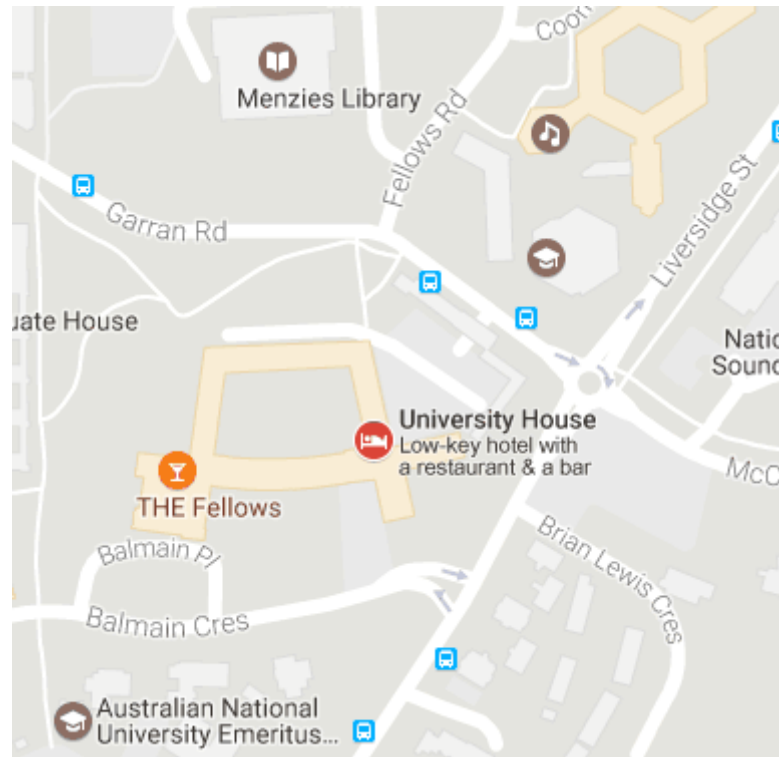
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Mr. Angus Macdonald, Executive Administrator

Ms. Elke Larsen, Assistant Administrator

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