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## Conclusion of the Fourth U.S.-China Senior Dialogue

The fourth round of the U.S.-China Senior Dialogue concluded today. Deputy Secretary of State John Negroponte and Executive Vice Foreign Minister Dai Bingguo co-chaired the extensive discussions over a two-day period June 20

– 21 in both Washington D.C. and at the Wye River Conference Center in Maryland.

The constructive and frank talks focused on building mutual trust between the United States and China. The Deputy Secretary and the Executive Vice Foreign Minister covered a wide range of key bilateral, regional and global issues. These included the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, curbing Iran's pursuit of nuclear weapons capability, the humanitarian crisis in Darfur, and peace and security in Northeast Asia. There was discussion on human rights and a range of transnational issues, such as climate change, energy security, and combating the spread of weapons of mass destruction. They also discussed the importance of peace and stability in the Taiwan Strait.

Deputy Secretary Negroponte and Executive Vice Foreign Minister Dai also reviewed recent sub-dialogues between the two sides, including those held this year on Africa, the Middle East, Central and South Asia, and Northeast and Southeast Asia. They agreed to continue to hold such sub-dialogues in an effort to enhance mutual understanding and better coordinate our efforts to support peace, security and prosperity.

Previous rounds of the Senior Dialogue were held in Beijing in August 2005, Washington in December 2005, and Beijing in October 2006. The two sides agreed in principle to hold the fifth round of the Senior Dialogue to take place in China by the end of the year.

Executive Vice Foreign Minister Dai will also meet separately with Secretary Rice.

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