

SECDEF TRIP TO CHINA SNAPSHOT (concepts as of 05 July 2000)

Major Events:

- Welcome Ceremony
- Private and plenary meeting with MND General Chi Haotian.
- Dinner Hosted by MND Chi Haotian
- Host reciprocal dinner in honor of MND Chi Haotian
- Call on President Jiang Zemin
- Call on Vice President/MC First Vice Chairman Commission Hu Jintao
- Call/ working lunch with MC Vice Chairman General Zhang Wannian
- Call on Chief of General Staff General Fu Quanyou
- Call on Vice Premier Qian Qichen
- Speech at PLA NDU. President General Xing Shizhong host
- Call on Mr. Wang Daohan, Chairman of the Association for Relations Across the Taiwan Straits (ARATS), Shanghai
- Call on Shanghai Mayor Xu Kuangdi
- Speech at Shanghai stock exchange
- Reception hosted by AMCHAM Shanghai

Key Themes:

- Need to have dialogue on critical global, regional and bilateral issues
- Importance of the military to military relationship as component of state to state relationship
- Restraint on Taiwan, peaceful resolution, and no use of force
- Importance of US approval of PNTR and China and Taiwan's entry into WTO

Things to Watch:

- Taiwan
- TMD / NMD
- Appearances of lack of balance in relationship (i.e., overly supportive of Taiwan)

Public Points:

- Relationship is important and in interests of both countries
- Important for Chinese to continue to join world institutions, comply with international norms (WTO is an example)
- Military relationship is key component of overall relationship
- Best way to handle difficult issues countries is via dialogue
- Restraint on Taiwan and peaceful resolution