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Qian Qichen Meeting Outline

Visit now a sign of importance US attaches to China relationship, coming after CINC, Albright, Holum

With Qian's overall responsibility for foreign affairs issues, the full range of U.S. - China issues are potential discussion subjects.

MFA has responsibility now for the POW - MIA issue --- this is the meeting to raise our points.

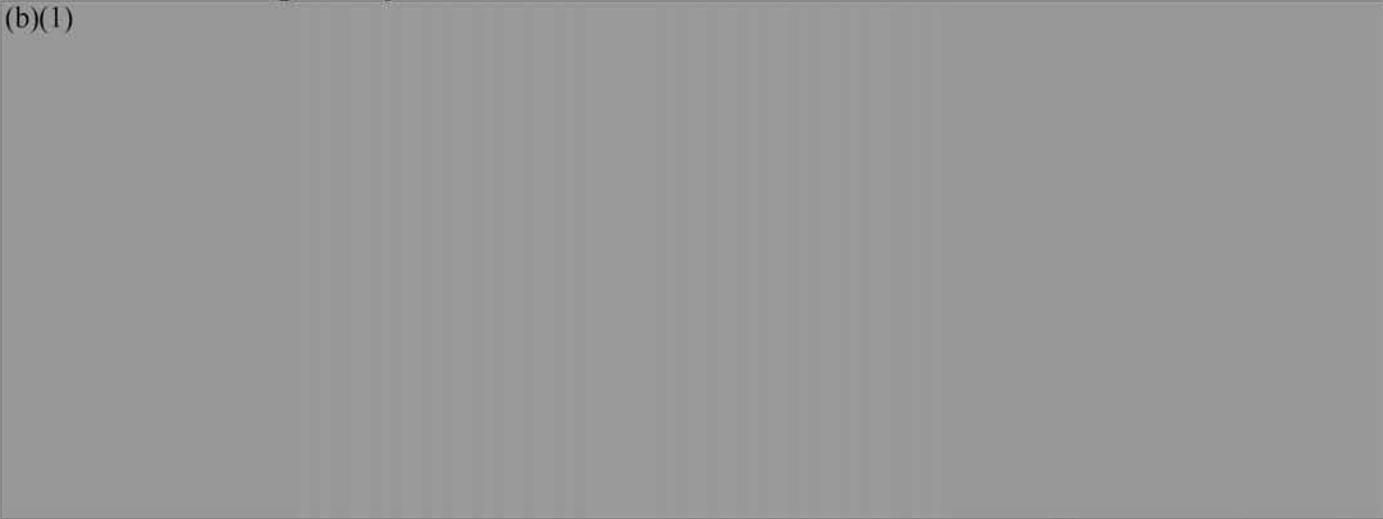
Topics:

US view of region
Overall US-China relations
PNTR
POW / MIA
Taiwan
Non-Proliferation

Be ready to respond on:

Taiwan arms sales
NMD
"US hegemony"

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Detailed Points

Intro --

Pleased to have opportunity to meet with you (do not know of prior meetings)
Want visit to confirm and expand security dialogue,
Part of major commitment by Administration to leaving a legacy of solid US-China relations
Had a full day of very useful, frank and constructive discussions yesterday

Overall view of US Pacific role, US-China relations:

US strongly committed long-term to fostering security/stability in Asia-Pacific region b/c essential to our interests
Key elements of our policy -- active engagement, security coop with allies, forward military presence, open markets/economic opportunity, build multilateral institutions
AND solid relationship with China --

China policy generally

US-China relations of enormous importance to both nations and to region
US wants a successful, strong China, as peaceful and constructive partner in region and the world

US and China need a constructive relationship as basis for security/development in Asia-Pacific region

Policy of engagement has opponents in US who would favor containment or even hostility

-- but engagement is broadly supported in both parties and in both exec and legis branches.

Demonstrated by political capital expended for PNTR.

WSC: "If we treat China as an enemy, then it will become an enemy." Many in US recognize this, and have worked hard to treat China as important partner, not enemy.

Equally important that Chinese side avoid rhetoric and charges that falsely attribute hostile motives to US

Of course, we have differences, some very important (human rights, proliferation, Taiwan), but need to resolve through dialogue, not threats/confrontation

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POW MIA

Issue of Korean War accounting of missing U.S. servicemen has become a visible concern of the American people and Congress.

Your cooperation on this program is much appreciated

We appreciate your agreement to accept a visit by Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense Robert Jones this summer to begin the interview process of our Korean War oral history program.

Taiwan

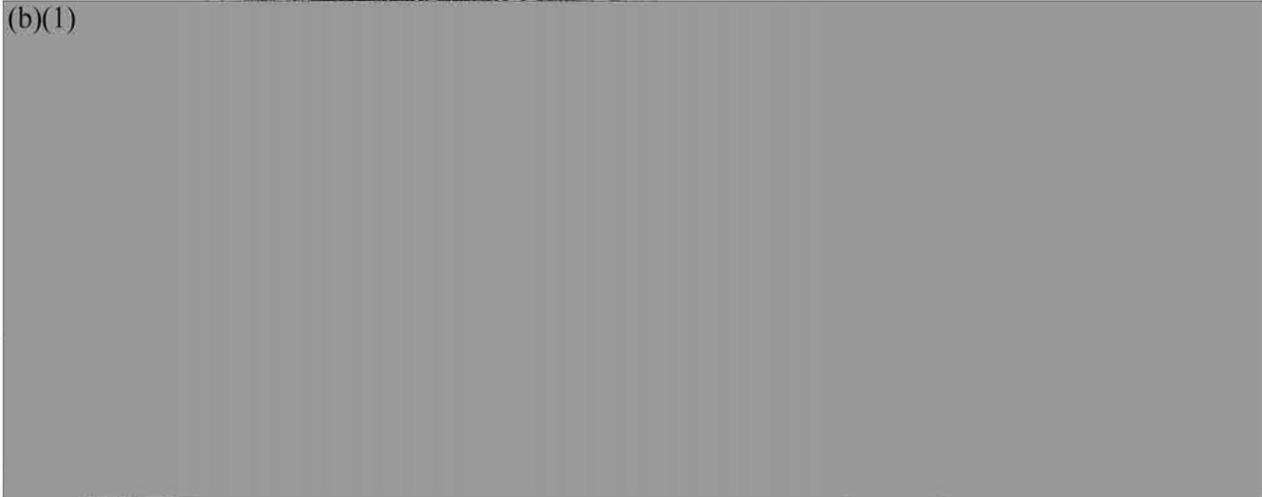
Recognize difficulty and sensitivity of issue -- but cannot let it overshadow all others -- or no context for relationship

Basic US policy re T --

One China policy/3 communiques, support for dialogue, unofficial rel with T consistent with TRA

Premise is that any resolution must be peaceful

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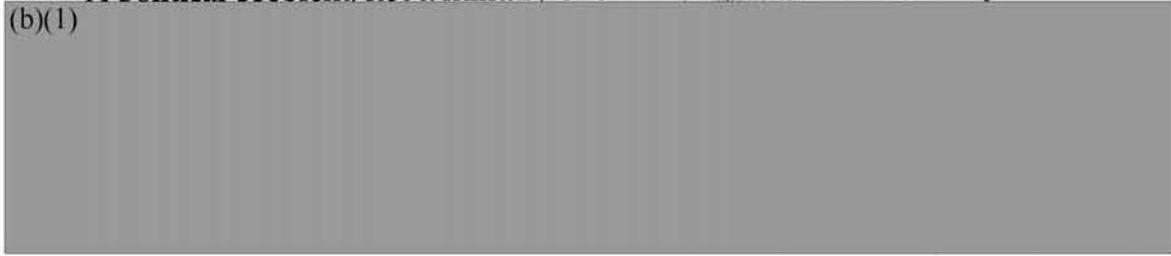
US has no pre-conceived position on outcome

Will accept any peaceful outcome, as arrived at between parties without coercion

Would be fundamental error to militarize the issue

A political problem, not a military one

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Non-proliferation

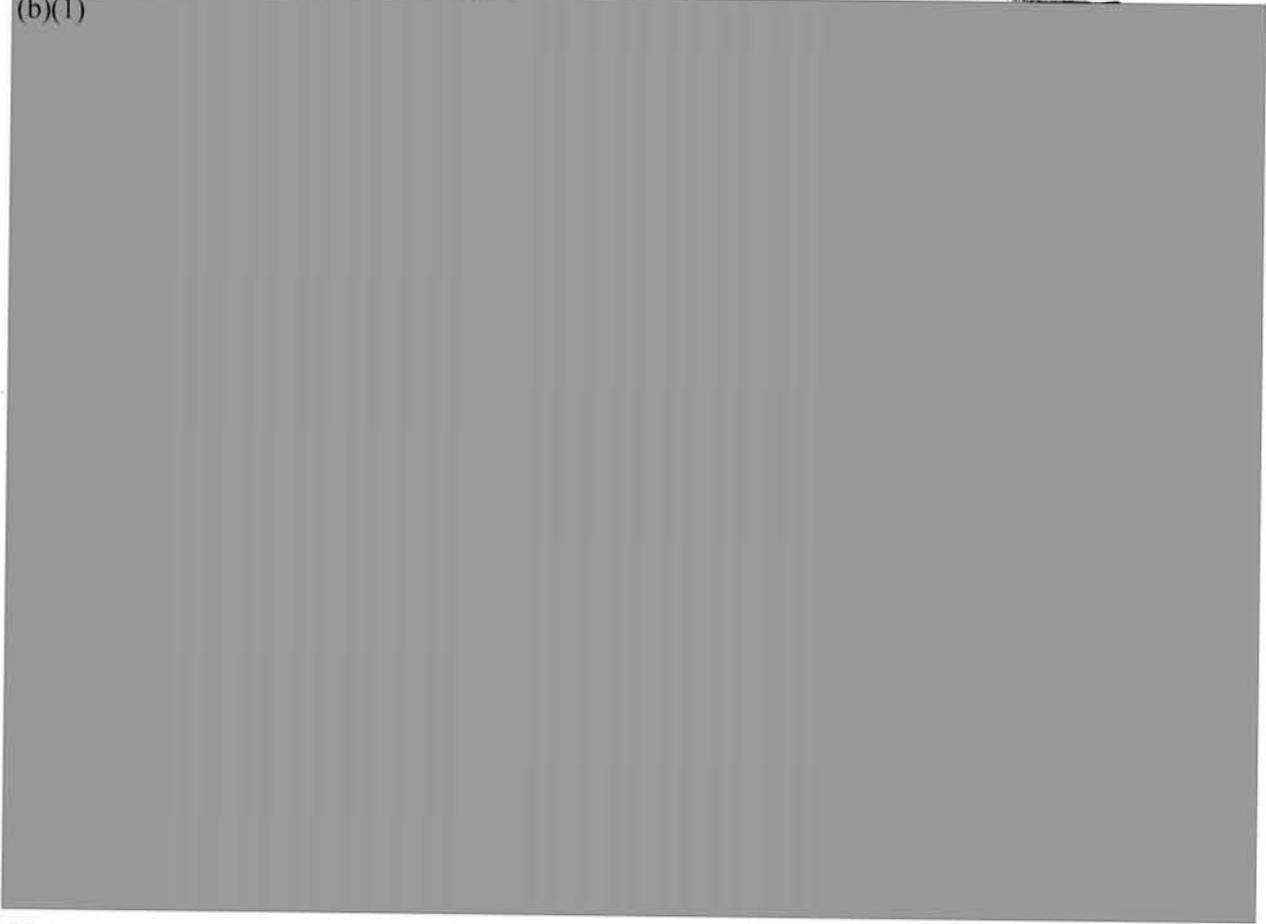
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Real problem arising from Chinese transfers of missile technology to
Pakistan, Iran

Urgent to resolve -- US law requires sanctions, unless basis for waiver

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NMD

Threat of missile/WMD attack is real

Neither test failure nor Korea summit change basic problem or need for
solution

Strong support in US for limited defense

Not aimed at China (or Russia)

US wants to maintain ABMT, cooperate with Russia

President will decide on basis of threat, technology, costs, international
relations

"US Hegemonism"

Claim grossly misunderstands US policy

US will protect interests,

But recognizes we need to cooperate with others

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We seek to build and support international fora, esp in AP region

Taiwan arms sales:

US sales are consistent with 3 communiques and TRA

US is committed to supply T with sufficient self-defense capability

TMD not ruled out, no decision -- inevitably decisions will be affected by PRC deployments that threaten T

Our arms sales based on situation in region, urge dialogue to ease tensions, resolve problems]

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