

Inventory of Meetings in 1998

I. Multilateral - Governmental / Track I Meetings

1. **2nd ARF Intersessional Meeting on Disaster Relief.** Manila, February 18-20. Attended by 20 ARF member countries. Various UN agencies, as well as the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) also participated as resource persons and guest speakers. Topics discussed included national, sub-regional and regional delivery of disaster relief, cooperation in enhancing regional disaster preparedness, and future directions of ARF disaster relief activities.
2. **ARF Intersessional Group on CBMs (ISG on CBMs).** Sydney, March 4-6. Jointly organized by Australia and Brunei.
3. **5th ARF Senior Officials Meeting (SOM).** Manila, May 20-22.
4. **5th Meeting of the ASEAN Regional Forum.** Manila, July 27. Attended by all ARF member countries. Issues discussed included ARF membership, overview of the ARF process, regional security environment and security perceptions, the regional economic slowdown, major powers impact on the region, South Korea-North Korea dialogue, the dispute on the South Chinese Sea, the Ottawa Convention on Anti-Personnel Mines, the Treaty on Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapons Free Zone, the Chemical Weapons Convention.
5. **ARF Seminar on the Production of Defence Policy Documents.** Canberra, August 31-September 3. Jointly organized by Australia and Malaysia. All ARF countries except Vietnam were represented. The main theme of the seminar evolved around the methodology of producing defence policy documents.
6. **2nd Meeting of Heads of National Defence Colleges and Institutions of ARF Member Countries.** Korea, September 8-10. Organized by Korea.
7. **ARF Workshop on Approaches to Training for Peacekeeping.** Dublin, October 19-23. Jointly organized by EU and Thailand.
8. **ARF Intersessional Support Group on CBMs (ISG on CBMs).** Honolulu, November. Jointly organized by Thailand and USA.
9. **ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting (SOM).** Hanoi, December 8-9.
10. **6th ASEAN Summit.** Hanoi, December 15-16.
11. **ASEAN Ministerial Meeting.** Hanoi, December 15-16.

II. Multilateral – Nongovernmental / Track II Meetings

1. **Asia Pacific Economics and Security Conference.** Honolulu, January 12-13. Organized by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS). Attended by security and economic experts. The meeting was designed to help shape the U.S. Pacific Commands' perspective on the Asian economic crisis, and its implications for international relations and regional security. The main themes were the causes and scale of the economic crisis, and its long-term security and political implications. The issues discussed included

- potential instability on the Korean peninsula, reduced defence spending among American allies, growing unemployment in the region, political instability, and mass migration. Contact: Lenore Patton, APCSS, fax: 1-808-971-8999, e-mail: pattonl@apcss.org, website: <http://www.apcss.org>.
2. **Asian Concepts of Comprehensive Security and Their Implication for Europe.** Japan, January 23-25. Organized by Raymond Feddema from the University of Amsterdam and Kurt Werner Radtke from Leiden University. Sponsored by the Asia Committee of the European Science Foundation, the International Institute for Asia Studies (Leiden), The Research School CNWS of the Faculty of Arts (Leiden University), and the Embassy of the Netherlands in Tokyo. Attended by scholars from countries and regions in Asia, Europe and the US. Discussions focused on concepts of security and regional order in an academic and co-operative spirit. The issues addressed included cultural and ideological differences between societies and the legacy of the cold war. Contact: Kurt Radtke, e-mail: radtke@mn.waseda.ac.jp.
 3. **5th ASEAN-ISIS Colloquium on Human Rights.** ASEAN Perspectives on Human Rights: Assessing 50 Years of the UN Declaration of Human Rights. Manila, February 15-16. Organized by the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies and funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. 17 participants, including academics and experts from: Cambodia, Canada, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam. Perspectives on the issue were offered by speakers from ASEAN countries, with the keynote speech being by the Honorable Domingo Siazon, Secretary of Foreign Affairs from the Philippines. Contact: Rowena Layador, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdphil@cnl.net.
 4. **Cambodia's Future in ASEAN: Dynamo or Dynamite?** Phnom Penh, February 18-20. Organized by the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace and funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. Attended by academics and Cambodian government officials. Over 60 participants from Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam. The main themes of the conference were ASEAN's past and future, Cambodia and the ARF; Cambodia and AFTA, Cambodia's Integration into ASEAN: Lessons Learned and Continuing Challenges; and The Role and Functions of ASEAN-ISIS in "Track-Two" Diplomacy. Perspectives on these topics were offered by speakers from the various nations which participated. Contact: Kao Kim Hourn, CICP, fax: 855-23-362520, e-mail: cicp@camnet.com.kh.
 5. **8th Southeast Asia Forum.** Kuala Lumpur, March 14-17. Organized by ISIS Malaysia and funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. 24 participants from Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand. Topics of discussion included Challenges and Prospects for ASEAN in the New Millennium; Economic Turbulence in Southeast Asia; Restoring Confidence in Regional Economies; Lessons of the Economic Crisis, Transborder Environmental Disasters; Southeast Asia and the Social Agenda. Presenters included academics, researchers, and officials from various countries in the region. Contact: Dato' Mohamed Jawhar Hassan, ISIS Malaysia, fax: 603-293-9430, e-mail: jawhar@isis.po.my, website: <http://www.jaring.my/isis/>
 6. **The Future of the ARF.** Singapore, April 27-28. Organized by the Institute of Defense and Strategic Studies (IDSS) and supported by the Ford Foundation. Attended by scholars and officials (in their private capacities). Presenters were from Australia, China, Germany, India, Japan, UK and USA. Presenters shared their perspective and views on the issue from the vantage point of their respective countries. Agenda items were National perspective of the ARF and its agenda; The ARF so far: an evolution; Looking ahead: from CBMs to preventive diplomacy; and How future ARF Track II seminars can be developed. Also discussed were the link between economics and security, and putting non-military issues on the ARF agenda. Contact: IDSS, Singapore, fax: 65-793-2991.
 7. **International Game '98: Exploring Reconciliation on the Korean Peninsula.** April 27-30. Organized by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in conjunction with the U.S. Naval War College. Attended by diplomats, academics, and military personnel from Australia, DPRK, France, Germany, Japan, PRC, ROK,

- Russia, UK and US, as well as representatives from ASEAN, the EU, and the IMF. The purpose of the conference was to explore the roles of the international community and individual countries in conflict resolution and facilitating change in the relationship between the DPRK and ROK. A significant amount of time was spent on discussion of confidence building measures (CBMs). Contact: Lenore Patton, APCSS, fax: 1-808-971-8999, e-mail: pattonl@apcss.org, website: <http://www.apcss.org>.
8. **National Defense University Pacific Symposium: “The Asian Financial Crisis: Security Risks and Opportunities”**. Washington, D.C., May 5-6. Contact: National Defense University Conference Directorate, fax: 1-202-685-3866, e-mail: gamers@ndu.edu, web site: www.ndu.edu.
 9. **7th Southeast Asian Roundtable on Economic Development**. Hanoi, May 18-21. Organized by the Institute for International Relations, Hanoi and funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. Attended by 22 academics and government officials from Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Singapore and Vietnam. The main theme was the economic crisis and its implications for sustainable development in Southeast Asia. The topics discussed included Productive Domestic Responses to the Financial Crisis; Productive Responses-ASEAN and Beyond; Critical Assessment of AFTA; and ASEAN’s Role and Objectives in APEC. Contact: Le Hong Truong, fax: 84-4-834-3543, e-mail: IIR.MOFA@bdvn.vnmail.vnd.net.
 10. **3rd CSCAP Working Group Meeting on Transnational Crime**. Manila, May 21-24. Jointly organized by CSCAP-Australia, CSCAP-Philippines, and CSCAP-Thailand. Contact: Contact: Carolina Hernandez, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdphil@cni.net.
 11. **Philippine Echo Seminar on Development and Security in Southeast Asia Project**. Cebu City, May 26. Funded by the Canadian International Development Agency and jointly organized by the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (Philippines), York Centre for International and Security Studies (Canada), Centre for International and Strategic Studies (Indonesia). Contact: Contact: Carolina Hernandez, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdphil@cni.net.
 12. **US-China Security Cooperation in Northeast Asia**. Honolulu, May 26-28. Organized by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies and the United States Institute of Peace. Attended by 36 participants from 4 countries. Participants included scholars, analysts, and policy makers. The main theme was Sino-American cooperation on the Korean peninsula. Topics discussed included prospects for change in North Korea, prospects for North-South dialogue, and the role of China and the US in regards to the Korean conflict. Contact: Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, Fax: 1-808-971-9899. Contact: Captain Robert Speer, APCSS, fax: 1-808-971-8989, e-mail: apcss24@pixi.net, web site: <http://www.apcss.org>.
 13. **Asia-Pacific Agenda Project**. Mactan, Cebu, May 28-29. Jointly organized by the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies and the Japan Center for International Exchange. Contact: Contact: Carolina Hernandez, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdphil@cni.net.
 14. **12th Asia-Pacific Roundtable**. Kuala Lumpur, May 31-June 4. Organized by ISIS Malaysia. Major source of funding came from the Canadian International Development Agency. Attended by over 230 academics and government officials from Australia, Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, China, DPRK, Hong Kong, Philippines, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, ROK, Russia, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, UK, USA, and Vietnam. The main topics discussed were: the currency crisis in Asia and its strategic, economic and social impact, the Non-Proliferation treaty review process, restoring Asia’s dynamism, good governance and domestic and regional stability, the United States and China, currency defence, transnational crime in the Asia Pacific, the Korean peninsula and latest peace prospects, the impact of the financial crisis on women, alliances and alignments in the Asia Pacific, securing regional peace and prosperity, Cambodia from crisis to promise, security co-operation in the North Pacific, and Japan. Contact:

Dato' Mohamed Jawhar Hassan, ISIS Malaysia, fax: 603-293-9430, e-mail: jawhar@isis.po.my, website: <http://www.jaring.my/isis/>

15. **East Asia in Crisis.** Seattle, June 9-10. Organized by the National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) and the Strategic Studies Institute of the US Army War College. Attended by government officials and experts, representatives of Asian countries, and commentators on Asian affairs from the US. Main theme was the Asian financial crisis and its impact on regional security, politics, trade and investment, and the US economy. Contact: Jennifer Linder, NBR, fax: 206-632-7487, e-mail: nbr@nbr.org.
16. **5th Meeting of the CSCAP Working Group on Comprehensive and Cooperative Security.** Wellington, July 14-15. Organized by CSCAP-New Zealand. Attended by participants from Brunei, DPRK, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, New Zealand, PRC, ROK, Taiwan, Thailand, USA, and Vietnam. The theme of the meeting was the Asian economic crisis effect on security cooperation, with emphasis on security cooperation, PRC-India relations, US-PRC relations, and the role of ASEAN. Contact: David Dickens, fax: 64-4-496-5437, e-mail: dave.dickens@vuw.ac.nz.
17. **The Challenges for Preventive Diplomacy in Asia-Pacific.** Beijing, July 20-21. Co-sponsored by The Japan Forum on International Relations, Inc. (JFIR) and the China Institute of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR). 34 participants from Australia, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, PRC, ROK, Thailand, USA. Agenda items were Relationships between confidence-building measures and preventive diplomacy; and Preventive diplomacy in Asia Pacific. Contact: CICIR, Beijing, fax: 86-10-6841-8641.
18. **Japan-US-PRC Security Dialogue.** Tokyo, July. Attended by academics from China, Japan and USA. Issues discussed include security issues in Northeast Asia, as well as environmental and energy issues. The US and Japanese governments are hoping to develop the dialogue to an inter-governmental one. (As noted in the Northeast Asia Peace and Security Network Special Report on April 10, 1998. Contact: Nautilus Institute for Security and Sustainable Development, fax: 1-510-204-9298, e-mail: nautilus@nautilus.org, website: <http://www.nautilus.org/>)
19. **Focus on the Global South, Alternative Security Program.** Manila, July 22-24. Organized by Focus on the Global South (FOCUS). Attended by over 150 participants, including government officials and NGO activists from Asia Pacific, Europe, North America, and Australia. Presenters were from Australia, Cambodia, Canada, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, PRC, UK, US, and Vietnam. The theme of the meeting was alternative regional security; Asia's prospects and dilemmas. The topics discussed included the fragile state of security in the region, security networks, the Asian financial crisis and implications for security, globalization and security, human security and Asia Pacific, nuclear weapons in South Asia and Asia Pacific, constructive engagement and constructive intervention, and US strategy and hegemony in Asia. Contact: Ehito Kimura, FOCUS, fax: 662-255-9976, e-mail: e.kimura@focusweb.org, website: <http://www.focusweb.org>.
20. **From Miracle to Meltdown: The End of Asian Capitalism?** Fremantle, Australia, August 20-22. Organized by Murdoch University Asia Research Centre and the Centre for International Studies at Yonsei University. Attended by participants from Australia, ROK and Malaysia. The main theme was the Asian economic crisis. Topics discussed included International Markets, Domestic Imperatives and Economic Governance; State Structures, Governance and the End of Asian Capitalism; Crisis and Reform in Southeast Asia; Vicissitudes of Economic Nationalism in East Asia; Regional Responses, Implications and International Institutions. Contact: Asia Research Centre, fax: 618-9310-4944.
21. **Urgent Action for Nuclear Nonproliferation.** Tokyo, August 29-30. Sponsored by the Hiroshima Peace Institute and the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA). The closed-door conference was attended by experts on disarmament and security affairs from 16 nations, including Japan, India, Pakistan, UK, US. The main theme was nuclear nonproliferation, and topics discussed included India and Pakistan's nuclear tests and

- nuclear disarmament. Contact: Toshiya Hoshino, JIIA, fax: 813-3505-7186, e-mail: hoshinot@po.ijinet.or.jp, website: <http://www.ijinet.or.jp/JIIA/> (As reported in the Asahi Shimbun on August 31, 1998)
22. **Asia's Emerging Regional Order.** Canberra, August 31-September 1 and Brisbane, September 3-4. Co-sponsored by AUS-CSCAP, the Japan Foundation, Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Australian Defense Force Academy's Defense Studies Centre, the University of Queensland International Relations and Asia Politics Research Unit, and Griffith University's Centre for the Study of Australian Asia Relations. Attended by regional scholars and experts. The main theme of the conference was reconciling "traditional" and "human" security issues and addressing the concept of "national security". Issues discussed included concepts of human security and how those apply to various Asia-Pacific and international developments, structural concerns, the role of NGOs, and the role of regional organizations (ASEAN and the ARF). Also, specific case studies were examined, including the Ottawa Treaty on anti-personnel land mines. Contact: AUS-CSCAP, fax: 61-2-6257-8526, e-mail: auscscap@anu.edu.au.
 23. **"Japan and Europe: How Can the Link Be Strengthened?"** (Wilton Park Conference 533) Wilton Park, September 1-4. Organized by the Wilton Park Conference Centre. Attended by participants from France, Japan, UK, and USA. The topics discussed included Japan-EU relations, the implications of the Asian crisis for Europe and the US, access to the Japanese market, the "big bang" reforms in Japan, implications of economic and monetary union for global micro-economic management and trading patterns, and the impact of enlarging the EU and NATO on relations with Japan. Contact: Frances Martin, Wilton Park, fax: 44-1903-815931, e-mail: martin@wiltonpark.org.uk.
 24. **3rd Philippine Echo Seminar on Development and Security in Southeast Asia Project.** Davao City, September 18. Co-sponsored by Institute for Security and Development Studies (Philippines), York Centre for International and Security Studies (Canada), Centre for International and Strategic Studies (Indonesia). Funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. Organized by ISDS and INTERDEV, a Davao-based NGO. Over 60 participants from government, academia and NGOs. The issues presented included Impact of Trade Liberalization and Privatization on Informal and Marginal Sectors in the Philippines; The Security Implications of Liberalization and Globalization on Financial Markets; Environment and Security: The Philippine Mining Sector; Development, Security, and Industrial Pollution in the Philippines; and The Impacts and Implications Concerning Clandestine Migrant Labour in Southeast Asia. Contact: Carolina Hernandez, ISDS, fax: 632-929-0890 or 921-1436, e-mail: isdsphil@cni.net.
 25. **Defense, Technology and Cooperative Security in South Asia.** Shanghai, September 21-29. Co-organized by the Regional Centre for Strategic Studies (RCSS), Colombo, and the Center for American Studies of Fudan University of Shanghai. Attended by 31 professionals from public and private sector institutions, research, media, academia and NGOs from Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, PRC and Sri Lanka. The issues discussed were defense, national security and regional stability and confidence building in South Asia. Discussions focused on Conceptual issues and recent strategic trends; Sources of threats and key policy issues; How to reduce threats; Logic and practice of cooperative security; Conventional military balance and build up; Missile procurement, development and deployments; Nuclear policy and posture of India, China and Pakistan; Global nuclear disarmament: progress and prospects; Nuclear non-proliferation; Nuclear energy and nuclear weapons; Confidence building measures; Track II, Media, NGO and the private sector; and Alternative thinking and approaches towards cooperative security. Contact: RCSS, e-mail: rcss@sri.lanka.net.
 26. **APAP Forum.** Singapore, October 9-10. Agenda items were Governance and a Sustainable System of Development; The role of ASEAN in the Asia Pacific Community Building process in light of the financial crisis and the expansion of ASEAN; and exploration of the cutting edge issues which will provide for future research. Contact: Japan Center for International Exchange, fax: 81-3-3443-7580, web site: www.jcie.or.jp.
 27. **4th CSCAP Transnational Crime Working Group Meeting.** Sydney, October 11-13. Organized by CSCAP-Australia in Cooperation with the Australian Institute of Police Management (AIPM). Contact: John McFarlane, fax: 61-2-6268-8440, e-mail: j.mcfarlane@adfa.oz.au.

28. **10th Hokkaido Conference for North Pacific Issues.** Sapporo, Japan, October 13-14. Organized by the North Pacific Region Advanced Research Center (NORPAC) and the National Institute for Research Advancement (NIRA). 28 participants from 8 countries: Canada, China, Japan, Mongolia, ROK, Russia, Taiwan, and USA. The main theme was economic and security issues in the North Pacific, with a major emphasis on the Asian financial and economic crisis and its implications for North Pacific nations. Also discussed was the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in regards to India and Pakistan's nuclear weapons tests. Contact: NORPAC, fax: 81-11-832-7577.
29. **1998 North Pacific International Forum.** Sapporo, Japan, October 15. Organized by the North Pacific Region Advanced Research Center (NORPAC) and the National Institute for Research Advancement (NIRA). 12 participants from Canada, Japan, Mongolia, PRC, ROK, and USA. The main theme was the economic crisis sweeping Asia. Contact: NORPAC, fax: 81-11-832-7577.
30. **8th ASEAN Young Leaders Forum.** Bangkok, October 23-26. Organized by ISIS, Thailand and funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. 51 participants, including officials and academics from: Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. The main theme was the proposed plan of action of ASEAN Vision 2020 with perspectives on the issue offered by Singapore, Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam. Other topics discussed were: Malaysia's Response to the Economic Crisis; The Impact of the Crisis on the Cambodian Economy and the Government's Response; Philippines' Perspective on a Concert of ASEAN Nations Leadership in the Asia-Pacific; and political reform with perspectives from Indonesia and Brunei. Contact: Suchit Sunbongkorn, ISIS Thailand, fax: 661-254-0119, e-mail: isis@chulkn.chula.ac.th.
31. **Special Workshop under the auspices of the CSCAP Confidence and Security Building Measures (CSBM) Working Group.** Albuquerque, October 25-30, at the US Cooperative Monitoring Center (CMC). Organized by USCSCAP. Contact: Ralph Cossa, Pacific Forum CSIS, fax: 1-808-599-8690, e-mail: Rcoffa@compuserve.com.
32. **4th CSCAP North Pacific Working Group Meeting.** Beijing, November 8-10. Organized by CSCAP-Canada and CSCAP-Japan. Attended by 38 academics and government officials from Australia, Canada, DPRK, Japan, Mongolia, New Zealand, Philippines, PRC, ROK, Russia, USA, and Vietnam. Topics discussed included Recent Developments in Northeast Asia; The Asian Economic Crisis and Its Implications for Security Cooperation in Northeast Asia; Development of Bilateral Relations in Northeast Asia; The Korean Peninsula from Bilateral and Global Perspectives; and Global Non-proliferation Regimes and Northeast Asia. Contact: Steve Mataija, CSCAP-Canada, fax: 1-416-736-5752, E-mail: smataija@yorku.ca.
33. **5th Meeting of the CSCAP Maritime Cooperation Working Group.** Kuala Lumpur, November 17-18. Organized by AUS-CSCAP & CSCAP-Indonesia. Attended by 17 participants from 11 CSCAP member countries and about 12 observers. Objectives of the meeting included to review progress with initiatives of the Working Group, to continue the study of key regional maritime issues and their linkages with regional security. The topics discussed were Regimes for Managing Regional Seas and Oceans; Existing Regional Maritime Cooperation Arrangements; Navigational Rights and Freedoms; Law and Order at Sea; International Instruments; Environmental Issues; and INCSEA Agreements. Contact: Sam Bateman, fax: 61-2-4226-8866, e-mail s.bateman@uow.edu.au or CENMARPOL@uow.edu.au.
34. **Comprehensive Security in Asia: Conceptions and Realities.** Cheju Island, November 21. Organized by CSCAP-Korea. Co-sponsored by the Asia Research Fund and Yonsei University's Graduate School of International Studies. The papers presented by CSCAP-Korea members were Ecological Security in Asia; Unconventional Security in Asia; Comprehensive Security in Asia; Economical Security in Asia; Maritime Security in Asia; Communal Security in Asia; and Societal Security in Asia. The Papers will be published in a paperback in 1999. Contact CSCAP Korea, fax: 82-2-393-7272.

35. **4th Asia-Pacific Conference on Education and Culture.** Brisbane, Australia, November 23-25. Organized by the University of Asia and the Pacific, Philippines. Attended by scholars and educators. The conference was a venue for discussions and exchange of ideas, which gave participants an opportunity to put aside cultural differences and address common goals, affirm solutions and bridge gaps. Contact: Jose Maria G. Mariano, University of Asia and the Pacific, fax: 632-635-3140, e-mail: e&c@cas.uap.edu.ph.
36. **Engaging Myanmar in East Asia.** Manila, November 28-29. Organized by the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies and funded by Konrad Adenaur Stiftung. Contact: Contact: Carolina Hernandez, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdsphil@cni.net.
37. **Asian Regional Integration, Multilateral Cooperation and China.** Paris, November 30. Organized by IFRI. Funded by the Delegation for Strategic Issues (French Ministry of Defense). 14 participants from Canada, China, France and Hong Kong. Participants were academics and representatives from the French Policy Planning Staff and the Ministry of Defense in their private capacity. Main agenda items were China's involvement in regional cooperation; China and its global partners in maintaining regional security; The PLA's adaptation to China's new policy on regional security issues; Japanese and American security role in the Asia-Pacific region: a Chinese view; Impact of the Asian Crisis on regional security issues and on China's point of view. Papers presented were China's involvement in regional cooperation: the track record (Xavier Crombe); Is there a new Chinese policy regarding regional security cooperation (Paul Evans). Contact: Dr. Francois Godement and Regine Serra, IFRI, fax: 33-1-40-61-6060, e-mail: serra@ifri.org.
38. **The Asian Crisis: Meeting the Challenges to Human Security.** Tokyo, December 2-3. Co-sponsored by the Japan Center for International Exchanges (JCIE) and the Institute of Southeast Asia Studies (ISEAS), Singapore. Issues discussed included social consequences of the economic crisis, the role that intellectual dialogue can play in meeting the human security challenges resulting from the crisis, the role of governments, international organizations and civil society, and the future beyond the crisis. Contact: Japan Center for International Exchange, fax: 81-3-3443-7580, web site: www.jcie.or.jp.
39. **6th Trilateral Security Forum on North-Pacific Security Problems.** Tokyo, December 10. Organized by the Japan Institute of International Affairs, The Carnegie Foundation of the US, and the Institute of World Economics and International Relations of Russia. Participants compiled a package of policy recommendations for the three governments, including a call for creation of a formal security dialogue involving the three countries. (As noted in the Japan Times, October 15, 1998).
40. **Symposium on Korea and the Search for Peace in Northeast Asia.** Kyoto, December 9-11. Organized by Ritsumeikan University in cooperation with St. Anthony's College at Oxford. Attended by about 35 participants and 10 observers including academics, government officials, and representatives of international organizations (UN, Red Cross) from Australia, Canada, China, Germany, Japan, Russia, South Korea, Sweden, UK and USA. Individuals from North Korea did not attend. Building on two preparatory workshops at Oxford University in April and Columbia University in September 1998, the purpose was (a) to discuss the problems which hinder a reduction of tension in the Korean Peninsula and (b) to assess how CBMs, humanitarian activities and other forms of international action could support efforts by the two Koreas and/or other regional powers to facilitate a peaceful evolution of the situation on the Korean Peninsula – and thus to strengthen regional security. The Symposium used a two-scenario structure to define options and open discussion. The first scenario focused on the continuation of two Koreas as functioning states and viable negotiating partners. The second focused on the possibility of a systemic breakdown in North Korea. The Symposium involved both plenary and working group sessions. Discussion papers were presented by Robert Scalapino, "Korea—Past, Present and Possible Futures"; Masao Okonogi, "Negotiating without Concession: How to Avoid the Worst Case Scenario"; Paul Evans, "Integrating North Korea: Roles and Dilemmas for the International Community"; Scott Snyder, "North Korea's Leadership Challenge: Internal Problems and Implications for the Future"; and Andrew Natsios, "The North Korean Humanitarian Crisis and Its Remedy". The chairman presented a set of concluding remarks. Contact: Otohiko Okugawa, Executive Director, Ritsumeikan University Center for Global Education and Research, fax: 81-75-465-8160.

41. **CSCAP Working Group Meeting on Confidence Building and Security Measures.** Manila, December 12. Organized by USCSCAP. The objective of the meeting was to bring the member committees up to date on current and planned future CSBM Working Group Activities. Contact: Ralph Cossa, Pacific Forum CSIS, fax: 1-808-599-8690, e-mail: Rcozza@compuserve.com.
42. **10th CSCAP Steering Committee Meeting.** Manila, December 13-14. Organized by CSCAP. Approximately thirty participants and observers from member committees in Australia, Canada, China, Europe, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Thailand, United States, Vietnam and CSCAP. Member committees not represented were India, Mongolia, and North Korea. Discussion focussed on: the admission of CSCAP-Europe as a full member of CSCAP (approved); budgetary matters; the creation of a CSCAP website (to be prepared by the Australian-CSCAP); the activities of the five working groups (CSBMs, Comprehensive and Cooperative Security Concepts, Maritime Cooperation, Security Cooperation in the North Pacific, and Transnational Crime); and the current state of the ARF. Publications distributed at the meeting included the most recent report of the Maritime Cooperation group (SY, provide the title and details); "PACATOM: Building Confidence and Enhancing Nuclear Transparency", a CSCAP Working Group Special Report published by the Pacific Forum CSIS, October 1998; and three volumes of papers presented at the first three meetings of the North Pacific Working Group. The dates for the 11th Steering Committee in Kuala Lumpur will be 28-29th May 1999 immediately preceding the Asia-Pacific Roundtable. Contact: Dato' Mohamed Jawhar Hassan, ISIS Malaysia, fax: 603-293-9430, e-mail: jawhar@isis.po.my, website: <http://www.jaring.my/isis/>
43. **Development and Security in Southeast Asia.** Manila, Philippines, December 15-18. Co-sponsored by the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (ISDS, Philippines), York Centre for International and Security Studies (YCISS, Canada), and the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS, Indonesia). 28 participants from Australia, Canada, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Also, 10 observers, including officials from Canada, Philippines and Vietnam. The main themes discussed in the meeting were the Environment, Development, and Security; Peoples, Productivity and Development; Globalization and Development; and Social Capital. Some of the topics addressed included challenges of globalization at the grassroots level, the East Asian crisis, financial liberalization policies, political changes and responses to globalization, linkages between independence and security, the relationship between globalization and human rights, the linkage between environment and security, relationship between society and the state, the global economic impact on the environment, and state security and human security. Contact: Rowena Layador, ISDS, fax: 632-921-1436/927-3894, e-mail: isdsphil@cni.net.
44. **The Development of Contemporary Taiwan and its Implications for Cross-strait Relations, the Asia-Pacific Region and Europe.** Taipei, December 16-17. Organized by the Institute for National Policy Research (INPR – Taiwan), French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (Taipei), co-sponsored by IFRI. Funded by Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange. Approximately 50 participants from Taiwan, France, Germany, United Kingdom, Hong Kong and Denmark, coming from academic and political circles. Main agenda items were Taiwan's domestic and international changes since the lifting of martial law; The implications for cross-strait relations, the Asia-Pacific region and Europe. Papers presented were Transition through transaction: democratization and constitutional reforms in Taiwan (Jih-wen Lin); Adaptation of political parties in Taiwan (Ching-hsin Yu); The internationalization of Taiwanese firms (Gilles Guiheux); From bubbles to new rounds of Asian monetary cooperation with reference to Taiwan's experience (Yun-peng Chu & Thomas Tunghao Lee); Civil society Taiwan: caught between a strictly political democratisation and a nation-building process (Eric Sauted); A new rising nation: the discourse on national identity in contemporary Taiwan (Gunter Schubert); Some international dimensions of the Taiwan problem (Michael Yahuda); The construction of Taiwanese identity and cross-strait relations (Yun-han Chu & Chia-lung Lin); The resumption of talks across the Taiwan strait: towards a political dialogue without political negotiations? (Jean-Pierre Cabestan); Trade and investments across the Taiwan strait: towards a new type of regionalism? (Françoise Mengin); The military balance in the Taiwan strait and its implications for regional security (Franck Umbach); Contested sovereignty: the impact of Taiwan's political changes on the China

policy of Asia-Pacific region's major countries (Phil Deans); Europe Reassessing its China Policy (François Godement). All papers presented to be published by INPR. Contact: Dr. Chu Yun-han (INPR), Dr. Jean-Pierre Cabestan (French Center for Research on Contemporary China - Hong Kong - CEFC), Dr. François Godement, IFRI, e-mail: inprpd@ms8.hinet.net, cefc@hkstar.com, serra@ifri.org.

45. **The Asia-Pacific Security Form: "Security Implications of the Asian Financial Crisis"**. Manila, December 19-20. Co-sponsored by the Institute for National Policy Research (INPR), the Institute for Strategic and Development (ISDS), and the Institut Francais des Relation Internationales. Agenda items were Impact on regional institution-building; The political and social dimensions of economic stabilization and financial austerity; Political stability and regional security; Paths to economic recovery: the role of US, China, Japan and Taiwan; Re-examining the global and regional mechanisms for crisis-management and crisis-prevention; and New agenda for regional economic and security cooperation. Contact: Institute for National Policy Research, Taiwan, fax: 886-2-2696-2766.

Other Meetings of Interest

I. Governmental / Track I Meetings

1. **Russia-Japan Summit Meeting.** Tokyo, April. Held at the seaside resort of Kawana. Attended by Russian president Boris Yeltsin and Japanese PM Ryutaro Hashimoto. Topics discussed include cooperation between the two nations on large scale projects, including upgrading the Trans-Siberian rail-road, gas pipeline construction, and oil projects. Another key issue addressed was the Kuril Islands dispute. (As noted in the Northeast Asia Peace and Security Network Special Report on April 15, 1998. Contact: Nautilus Institute for Security and Sustainable Development, fax: 1-510-204-9298, e-mail: nautilus@nautilus.org, website: <http://www.nautilus.org/>)
2. **Japan-PRC Summit.** Tokyo, November. Attended by PRC President Jiang Zemin and Japanese Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi. Issues discussed included military ties between Japan and the US, the Taiwan Straits area, and Japan's WWII atrocities. (As Noted in the Northeast Asia Peace and Security Network Special Report on November 24, 1998. Contact: Nautilus Institute for Security and sustainable Development, fax: 1-510-204-9298, e-mail: nautilus@nautilus.org, website <http://www.nautilus.org/>)

II. Nongovernmental / Track II Meetings

1. **CFR-Seoul Forum.** Seoul, April. Organized by Seoul Forum and the Council on Foreign Relations. Attended by US experts on Korea. The discussions were focused on the future of the DPRK, ROK responses to the DPRK's options on its future, and policy coordination between the ROK and the US on the DPRK. Contact: CRF, fax: 1-212-249-2011.
2. **Problems of Security and Progress.** Tashkent, Uzbekistan, May 15. Organized by the Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies (Uzbekistan). The main theme was the problems of security and progress on the threshold of the twenty-first century, including regional aspects. Contact: Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies, fax: 3712-406-565.
3. **Asia in Transition: Beyond the Miracle.** Kuala Lumpur, May 28-31. Organized by the Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations (HPAIR) and University Putra Malaysia, with the support of the Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia. Attended by over 200 students from 40 universities,

- including Harvard University, Oxford University, Tokyo University, and the National University of Singapore. 15 nations were represented, including Brunei, Canada, Japan, Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand, UK, US, Vietnam. Topics discussed included economic policy and globalization, regional security and the role of ASEAN, the impact of the Asian economic crisis, economic development, confidence building in ASEAN, and economic liberalization. Contact: Ahmad Zaki Zahid, HPAIR, fax: 603-948-3745, e-mail: hcoc@hotmail.com.
4. **Taiwan in the Asia-Pacific Region.** Paris, June 22. Organized by IFRI/INPR (Institute for National Policy Research – Taipei). Funded by IFRI. About 40 participants from Taiwan and France. Participants were from academic, political and business circles. Issues discussed were The dynamics of the Washington-Beijing-Taipei relations; East-Asian financial crisis; the Performance of Taiwan, Hong Kong and the PRC; Regional security and political implications of the East-Asian financial crisis; Regional and inter-regional co-operation; the role of Taiwan. Contact: Dr. Francois Godement and Regine Serra, IFRI, fax: 33-1-40-61-6060, e-mail: serra@ifri.org.
 5. **3rd Franco-Korean Forum.** Seoul, June 25-26. Organized by IFRI/The Korea Foundation. Funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. About 60 participants from Korea and France, coming from political, business and academic circles. Main agenda items were Economy and Trade; Society and Culture; Foreign and domestic policy; Security issues. Contact: Dr. Francois Godement and Regine Serra, IFRI, Dr. Park Kyouon-Chul (Korean Foundation), fax: 33-1-40-61-6060, e-mail: serra@ifri.org.
 6. **“Recovery from Financial Crisis: Macroeconomic Policy Alternatives for Socially Equitable Growth” Seminar.** Ottawa, September 29. Organized by the North-South Institute. Topics included policy alternatives to foster stabilization and growth, with perspectives on the issue provided by South Africa’s Minister of Finance and Chief Economist for the World Bank. Contact: Naomi Harrison, North-South Institute, fax: 613-241-7435, e-mail: nharriso@nsi-ins.ca, website: <http://www.nsi-ins.ca/index.html>.
 7. **South Asia: How Can Greater Economic and Other Cooperation be Achieved.** Wilton Park, October 4-7. Organized by the Wilton Park Conference Centre. Some of the questions addressed included: Can the countries of South Asia cooperate better to maintain peace, achieve sustainable development and poverty alleviation, protect the environment, and increase trade and political links? How can progress be made on intra-regional communications, child labour, the role of women and respect for human rights? What are the prospects and challenges for the future in the light of nuclear proliferation in the region? Contact: Fiona Fung, Wilton Park Conferences, fax: +44-1903-815931, E-mail: admin@wiltonpark.org.uk.
 8. **ROK-US Marine Forum.** Seoul, October 22-23. Organized by the Korea Maritime Institute (KMI) and the University of Rhode Island (URI). Attended by scholars and researchers from the ROK and the US. The issues discussed included boundary disputes in northeast Asia.
 9. **ROK-Japan Forum.** Chiba, Japan, October 26-29. Sponsored by the Korea Foundation and the Japan Center for International Exchange. Attended by politicians, scholars, businessmen, and journalists from Japan and the ROK. Japan was represented by former Vice Foreign Minister, Hisashi Owada. The Korean delegation was led by former Foreign Minister, Choi Kwang Soo. The main theme was the action plan for the new ROK-Japan Partnership for the 21st century. (As Noted in the Northeast Asia Peace and Security Network Special Report on October 23, 1998. Contact: Nautilus Institute for Security and Sustainable Development, fax: 1-510-204-9298, e-mail: nautilus@nautilus.org, website <http://www.nautilus.org/>)
 10. **Meeting with the Seoul Forum.** Paris, November 16. Organized by IFRI and the Seoul Forum. Funded by IFRI and the Ministry of Defense. 30 participants from Korea and France, with Korean representatives from the political and academic circles, and French representative from academic, political and business circles. Main agenda items were The Korean peninsula and its international implications; Evolution of the Asian financial crisis and its impact. Contact: Dr. Francois Godement and Regine Serra, IFRI, fax: 33-1-40-61-6060, e-mail: serra@ifri.org.

