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UNIFICATION OF THE KOREAN PENINSULA:
ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES

June 25, 2015, Thursday

08:00 AM Registration
08:45 - 09:00 AM Opening Remarks

Speakers
Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President
International Council of Korean Studies and Angelo State University
Professor David Maxwell, Associate Director,
Center for Security Studies, Georgetown University
Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director
Committee for Human Rights in North Korea
Honorable Donald Manzullo, President
Korea Economic Institute of America

09:00 – 11:45 AM Panel I. Human Rights in North Korea: The Impact on Unification

Moderator
Dr. Douglas Streusand, Professor, Marine Corps University

Papers
"Internal Security Issues and Human Rights in North Korea"
Mr. Robert Collins, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

"Human Security in North Korea"
Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director, HRNK

“Post-Unification Human Rights and Humanitarian Concerns”
Ms. Roberta Cohen, Brookings Institution

Discussants
Ms. Amanda Mortwedt Oh, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea
Dr. Terence J. Roehrig, U.S. Naval War College
12:00 - 1:45 PM  Luncheon and Luncheon Speech

“Security and Unification Issues on the Korean Peninsula”
General John H. Tilelli, USA (Ret.), Co-Chairman

Introduced by Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr.,
ICKS President and Professor, Angelo State University

2:00 - 3:45 PM  Panel II: Future Shape of Korea’s Economy

Moderator Dr. Soon Paik, U.S. Department of Labor (Ret.) and
Professor, Washington University of Virginia and ICKS

Papers

"Korean Unification and the Financial System"
Mr. Bradley Babson, US-Korea Institute

"Energy and the Environment: Challenges to a Post-Unification
Economic Recovery"
Mr. Troy Stangarone, Korea Economic Institute of America

"DPRK Agriculture - Recent Developments and Prospects after Unification"
Dr. W. Randall Ireson, Rural Development Solutions

Discussants Dr. Mark Manyin, Senior Fellow, Congressional Research Service
Dr. Hugo Kim, Professor, Washington University of Virginia and ICKS

4:00 – 6:00 PM  Panel III: The Major Powers and Korean Unification

Moderator Dr. Patrick Cronin, Senior Advisor and Senior Director
Asia-Pacific Security Program, Center for New American Security

Papers

"China and the Korean Peninsula: Why the problems?"
Mr. Gordon G. Chang, Forbes.com

"Japan’s role in Korean Unification"
Mr. James R. Kendall, Sasakawa Peace Foundation, USA

"The North Korean threat to the USA and Unification"
Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol Jr., Angelo State University

Discussant Dr. Andrew Scobell, Senior Fellow, RAND Corporation Washington
Dr. Jong O. Ra, Professor, Hollins University and Virginia Tech
June 26, 2015, Friday

9:30 – 11:30 AM  
Panel IV: Planning for a Unified Korea

Moderator  
Dr. Jai P. Ryu, President, One Korea Foundation and Professor Emeritus, Loyola University of Maryland

Papers  
"Unification Options and Scenarios"  
Professor David Maxwell, Georgetown University

"Engagement and Coercion: Finding the Right Combination for the DPRK"  
Dr. Tara O, Pacific Forum CSIS

“Government and Security in a Unified Korea”  
Mr. Sungmin Cho, Georgetown University

Discussants  
Dr. Bruce Bechtol, Angelo State University  
Dr. Hang Yul Rhee, Professor, Shepherd University (Retired)

11:45 – 12:00 PM  
Closing Remarks

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Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President  
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12:00 PM  
End of the Conference