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SECURITY ISSUES ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA: CHALLENGES FOR THE ROK-US ALLIANCE IN 2018

08:00 AM Registration

08:45 - 09:00 AM Opening Remarks

Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President

International Council of Korean Studies and Angelo State University

Honorable Donald Manzullo, President Korea Economic Institute of America

Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director

Committee for Human Rights IN North Korea

09:00 – 09:10 AM Welcoming Remarks

Dr. Jai P. Ryu, Professor Emeritus, Loyola University Maryland and

President, One Korea Foundation

09:10 - 11:45 AM Panel I: Human Rights in North Korea

Moderator Dr. Doug Streusand

Marine Corps Command and Staff College

Papers "Prison Camps in North Korea"

Ms. Briana Martinez, Angelo State University

"South Korea's Role in Fighting for Human Rights in the DPRK"

Mr. George Hutchinson, George Mason University

"Human Rights in North Korea and the new Presidency in Seoul"

Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director, HRNK

Discussants Mr. Gordon Chang, Daily Beast

Mr. Chuck Downs, Retired Department of Defense

12:00 - 1:45 PM Luncheon and Luncheon Speech

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"Korean Peninsula Issues"

General John H. Tilelli, Jr., Council on U.S.-Korean Security Studies

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

Moderator Honorable Donald Manzullo, President

Korea Economic Institute of America

Papers The Economic Value of the U.S.-Korea Alliance

Mr. Kyle Ferrier, Korea Economic Institute of America

Economic Tensions in U.S.-South Korea Relations

Mr. Troy Stangarone, Korea Economic Institute of America

"Chances for North-South Economic Initiatives?"

Mr. William Brown, Non-Resident Fellow at the Korea Economic Institute of America

Discussants Dr. Eui-Gak Hwang, Professor Emeritus, Korea University

Dr. David Maxwell, Institute of World Politics

3:45 - 4:00 PM Coffee Break

4:00 – 5:45 PM Panel III: Anniversary of Korea's Troop Deployment to Vietnam War

Moderator General John Tilelli, Council on U.S.-Korean Security Studies

Papers "Casualties of War: The Legacy of South Korean Participation in the Vietnam Conflict"

Dr. Christos Frentzos, Professor, Austin Peay State University

"Operational Overview of the Koreans in Vietnam"

Mr. James Durand, International Council on Korean Studies

"Recollections of the Blue Dragons"

Mr. Thomas Petri, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, Vietnam, 1967-68

Discussants: Dr. Larry Hufford, Saint Mary's University

Dr. Bruce Bechtol, Angelo State University

Mr. William Newcomb, C4ADS

5:45 – 6:00 PM Closing Remarks

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6:00 PM End of the Conference