

U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

Notice of Open Public Hearing

AGENCY: U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission

ACTION: Notice of open public hearing – July 31, 2007, Washington, DC

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following hearing of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

Name: Carolyn Bartholomew, Chairman of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

The Commission is mandated by Congress to investigate, assess, evaluate, and report to Congress annually on “the national security implications and impact of the bilateral trade and economic relationship between the United States and the People’s Republic of China.” Pursuant to this mandate, the Commission will hold a public hearing in Washington, DC on July 31, 2007 on “*Access to Information inside the People’s Republic of China.*”

Background

This event is the sixth in a series of public hearings the Commission will hold during its 2007 report cycle to collect input from leading experts in academia, business, industry, government and from the public on the impact of the economic and national security implications of the U.S. bilateral trade and economic relationship with China. The July 31 hearing is being conducted to examine contemporary developments in Chinese information control mechanisms, the factors motivating those systems, and the impact they have on America’s ability to assure the safety of Chinese imports.

The hearing, entitled “*Access to Information in the People’s Republic of China*,” will be co-chaired by Chairman Carolyn Bartholomew and Commissioner Kerri Houston.

Information on this hearing, including a detailed hearing agenda and information about panelists, will be made available on the Commission’s website prior to the hearing date.

Detailed information about the Commission, the texts of its annual reports and hearing records, and the products of research it has commissioned can be found on the Commission’s website at www.uscc.gov.

Any interested party may file a written statement by July 31, 2007, by mailing to the contact below.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, July 31, 2007, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A detailed agenda for the hearing will be posted to the Commission’s website at www.uscc.gov in the near future.

ADDRESS: The hearings will be held on Capitol Hill in Room 385, Russell Senate Office Building, located at Delaware & Constitution Avenues, NE, Washington, DC 20510. Public seating is limited to approximately 50 people on a first come, first served basis. Advance reservations are not required.

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AUTHORITY: Congress created the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission in 2000 in the National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 106-398), as amended by Division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (Public Law 108-7), as amended by Public Law 109-108 (November 22, 2005).

Dated: July 13, 2007

Kathleen J. Michels, Associate Director 7/13/2007

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