



## U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission

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The U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission Releases Report:

### **[The Evolving Role of China in International Institutions](#)**

Washington, D.C. - The U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission has released a new report, "The Evolving Role of China in International Institutions," detailing China's posture, objectives, and strategies within key international institutions and exploring the implications of China's growing influence in these institutions for the United States and the world.

The report finds that China has demonstrated an increasingly assertive and proactive stance within organizations such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, APEC, the United Nations, and the Group of 20, among others. In all of these organizations, China has become increasingly effective in utilizing its influence to advance its national economic and strategic interests, especially as China emerges from the global financial crisis in a stronger economic position relative to much of the rest of the world.

Noted trends include China's increasingly competitive position as a source of no-strings-attached development aid, its increased clout within international organizations (such as increased voting rights and a larger number of officials in high-level posts at the IMF and World Bank), and growing effectiveness in directing organizational agendas in ways that satisfy China's national interests while deflecting proposals or movements that do not coincide or agree with China's interests. China has demonstrated this in recent years by shifting the G-20 agenda away from sensitive issues regarding China's exchange rate policies, by ensuring its preferred outcomes at the United Nations Copenhagen Climate Summit, and by promoting the sanctity of its interpretation of the "One China" policy within international institutions.

The report also covers such issues as China's peacekeeping operations in Haiti and elsewhere, as well as China's role in less prominent organizations such as the Shanghai Cooperation Council, the International Atomic Energy Agency, and smaller banks.

This report was prepared for the Commission by Stephen Olson and Clyde Prestowitz of The Economic Strategy Institute. It can be found at:

<http://www.uscc.gov/researchpapers/2011/TheEvolvingRoleofChinainInternationalInstitutions.pdf>

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