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STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT OF
THE CASPIAN SEA BASIN REGION

7 – 8 MAY 2009
WASHINGTON, DC

WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2009

6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

WELCOMING RECEPTION AND DINNER

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AGENDA

THURSDAY, 7 MAY 2009

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<i>Registration and Breakfast Buffet</i>
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks and Introduction of Participants <u>Charles K. Ebinger</u> , Director, Brookings Institution Energy Security Initiative <u>George D. Schwab</u> , President, National Committee on American Foreign Policy (NCAFP)
9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	PANEL 1. GEOPOLITICS The evolving interests of Russia, China, the United States and the EU in and around Central Asia, and the ability of the countries of the region to balance their interests. <u>Panel Chair</u> Michael Rywkin , NCAFP Project Director <u>Panelists</u> Hafiz Pashayev , Deputy Foreign Minister of Azerbaijan and Rector, Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy “ <i>A view from Baku</i> ” Marat Shaikhutdinov , Chairman, Foreign Policy Analysis and Prognostics Committee, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Kazakhstan “ <i>A view from Astana</i> ” Thomas Graham , Senior Director, Kissinger Associates, Inc., and former Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russia U.S National Security Council “ <i>A view</i>

	<p><i>from Washington”</i></p> <p>Ambassador John Ordway, Former US Ambassador to Kazakhstan “<i>An American perspective from Central Asia</i>”</p>
10:45 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:50 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<p>PANEL 2. PIPELINES Politics and Economics of Pipeline Routes; Economic Interest vs. Political Reality; Legal Status of the Caspian Sea. Baku as the transit hub.</p> <p>Panel Chair Jonathan Elkind, Brookings Energy Security Initiative</p> <p>Panelists Edward Chow, Senior Fellow, Energy and National Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)</p> <p>John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Platts</p> <p>Erica Downs, China Energy Fellow, Brookings Institution</p> <p>Tatiana Mitrova, Head Energy Research Institute, Center for International Energy Market Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences</p> <p>Taleh Ziyadov, Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy and Cambridge University, UK</p>
12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	BREAK
12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<p>Lunch</p> <p>Keynote address: Ambassador George A. Krol Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central</p>

	Asian Affairs
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<p>PANEL 3. ENERGY SECURITY Energy Security Policies of Russia, the United States, and the European Union; Impact of other players: China, Turkey, India, Pakistan, Iran, and of conflicts in Afghanistan and the Caucasus</p> <p><u>Panel Chair</u> Charles K. Ebinger, Director, Brookings Energy Security Initiative</p> <p><u>Panelists</u> Fiona Hill, Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution, currently serving as National Intelligence Officer for Russia and Eurasia at the National Intelligence Council</p> <p>Boyko Nitzov, Director, Eurasian Energy Program, Atlantic Council of the United States</p> <p>Kurt-Dieter Grill, head of Government Relations for Babcock-Borsig Service, and former Member of the Bundestag</p> <p>Kuralai Baizakova, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University</p> <p>Robert Ebel, Senior Adviser, Energy and National Security Program, CSIS “<i>Turkmenistan: Facing an Uncertain Future</i>”</p>
7:00 p.m.	<p><i>Dinner – Café Dupont (in Hotel Dupont)</i> 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW (Dupont Circle)</p>

FRIDAY, 8 MAY 2009

<p>8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p><i>Breakfast Buffet</i></p>
<p>9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.</p>	<p>PANEL 4. MATTERS OF REGIONAL COOPERATION, AFGHANISTAN, CHINESE INROADS, AND RUSSIA</p> <p><u>Panel Chair</u> Dr. Michael Rywkin, NCAFP Project Director</p> <p><u>Panelists</u></p> <p>A. Regional cooperation</p> <p>Johannes Linn, Brookings, Executive Director Wolfensohn Center for Development <i>“The Caspian Sea Basin and Eurasian Continental Integration.”</i></p> <p>Martha Brill Olcott, Senior Associate, Russian & Eurasian Program, Carnegie Endowment of International Peace. <i>“Towards a New Conceptualization of Regional Integration”</i></p> <p>B. Afghanistan</p> <p>Ambassador Joseph Presel, former US Ambassador to Uzbekistan <i>“Afghanistan on Central Asian Agendas”</i></p>
<p>10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
<p>11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</p>	<p>C. Chinese Inroads</p> <p>Sebastien Peyrouse, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Paris <i>“Chinese inroads”</i></p> <p>Marlene Laruelle, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations</p>

	<p>Orientales (INALCO), Paris <i>"Perception of China in the region"</i></p> <p>D. Russia</p> <p>Ambassador Steven Pifer, Visiting Fellow, Brookings <i>"Resetting Relations with Moscow and the Caspian"</i></p>
<p>12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Wrap-up and concluding remarks</p>

Other participants:

John Bell, NCAFP

Steven Chernys, NCAFP

Prof. Sergio Germani, Academic director, Department of strategic intelligence and security studies, Link Campus University - Rome (Italy)

Richard Howe, NCAFP

Holly Morrow, International Government Relations covering the Asia Pacific
ExxonMobil

Tracey McMinn, Manager, International Governmental Relations, Shell

Andrew Rampl, Konrad-Adenauer

Donald Rice, NCAFP

Lea Rosenbohm, Program Manager, Energy Security Initiative, Brookings

Diana Sedney, International Government Affairs Manager, Chevron

Enzo Viscusi, ENI

Grace Kennan Warnecke, NCAFP

Evie Zambetakis, Senior Research Assistant, Energy Security Initiative, Brookings

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The US Centers for Disease Control have stated that warnings against travel to the United States are “unwarranted” at this time.

Travel Notice on Swine Flu from The CDC:
<http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/contentSwineFluUS.aspx>

Transportation to/from airport:

From Dulles:

Taxis from Dulles Airport to downtown Washington, DC cost approximately \$50
The Super Shuttle (Blue Van) costs approximately \$30

From Reagan National:

Taxis to downtown Washington, DC cost approximately \$15
Super Shuttle costs approximately \$14

Hotel for guests booked through the conference*:

Hotel Rouge

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Washington, DC 20036
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<http://www.rougehotel.com/>

Map: <http://tinyurl.com/cz5rch>

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From 16th Street, walk to Scott Circle and then walk north for 1.5 blocks on Massachusetts Avenue. Brookings will be on your right side.

Map: <http://tinyurl.com/cmwfqg>

Dinner at Charles Ebinger's home on 6 May:

Round-trip transportation from the hotel will be provided

Map for those driving: <http://tinyurl.com/EBINGERHOME>

Meals:

- Dinner provided on 6 May
- Breakfast and coffee breaks provided on 7 May and 8 May
- Lunch provided on 7 May