AGENDA OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP
“Prospects for Russian-US Arms Control”
Marriott Tverskaya Hotel, Moscow, Russian Federation

Thursday, May 16, 2013

9.00–9.30
REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

9.30–11.00: Seligersky Conference Room
WELCOME REMARKS AND SESSION I: Enhancing Strategic Stability: Options and Issues Following New START

Speakers:
- Vladimir KOZIN, Adviser to the Director, Russian Institute for Strategic Studies (RISS); Member of the Interagency Experts' Working Group on cooperation with NATO on the BMD under the Presidential Administration, Russian Federation
- Anita FRIEDT, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear and Strategic Policy, Department of State, United States
- Ulrich ERNST, Deputy Head of Division, Nuclear Disarmament, Arms Control and Non-Proliferation, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Moderators:
- Anton KHLOPKOV, Director, Center for Energy and Security Studies (CENESS), Russian Federation
- Daryl KIMBALL, Executive Director, Arms Control Association, United States

11.00–11.30
COFFEE BREAK

11.30–13.00: Seligersky Conference Room
SESSION II: Developments in Missile Defense: Exploring Options to Build Trust

Speakers:
- Yousaf BUTT, Research Professor, Scientist-in-residence, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation, United States
- Pavel ZOLOTAREV, Deputy Director, Institute for the USA and Canadian Studies (ISKRAN), Russian Academy of Sciences, Russian Federation
- Lukasz KULESA, Head, Non-proliferation and Arms Control Project, Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), Poland

Moderator: Anton KHLOPKOV, Director, Center for Energy and Security Studies (CENESS), Russian Federation
Key questions to discuss:

- What are the challenges of Russian-US trust deficit in missile defense?
- Does the United States' cancellation of Phase 4 of the European Phased Adaptive Approach change the equation?
- What practical measures are possible to bridge the missile defense gap?
- What kind of cooperation and/or understanding in missile defense area between Moscow and Washington is/are realistic?

13.00–14.00: ‘Gratzi’ Restaurant

LUNCH

14.00–15.30: Seligersky Conference Room

SESSION III: Non-strategic Nuclear Weapons (NSNW): Assessing the Pre-Requisites and Possibilities for New Steps

Speakers:
- Victor ESIN, Consultant to the Commander of the Strategic Missile Forces (RVSN), Russian Federation
- Hans KRISTENSEN, Director, Nuclear Information Project, Federation of American Scientists, United States
- Aaron STEIN, Research Associate, Center for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM), Turkey

Moderator: Oliver MEIER, Research Associate, International Security Division, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Germany

Key questions to discuss:

- What are the pre-requisites and needs to address a question of NSNW in Europe reduction?
- What is the best framework for addressing NSNW? (e.g. NATO-Russia: NRC? Other/new framework; US-Russia: New START follow-on talks? Separate discussions? Multilateral?)
- What might be useful and realistic first steps towards including NSNW in a future arms control accord?

15.30–16.00

COFFEE BREAK

16.00–17.15: Seligersky Conference Room

SESSION IV: Strategic Nuclear Weapons: Next Steps – Substance and Process

Speakers:
- Eugene MIASNIKOV, Director, Center for Arms Control, Energy and Environmental Studies, Russian Federation
- Edward IFFT, Adjunct Professor, Center for Security Studies, Georgetown University, United States
Moderator: Daryl KIMBALL, Executive Director, Arms Control Association, United States

Key questions to discuss:

- Why is it in the U.S. and Russian national security interests to reduce their respective strategic nuclear stockpiles?
- What security factors will most significantly influence each country's deployed strategic force levels in the coming decade? (e.g. strategic missile interceptor deployments, nuclear force levels of third countries, tactical nuclear stockpiles, conventional strike capabilities, budgetary constraints, other?)
- What are the major pathways by which Presidents Putin and Obama could pursue further strategic nuclear reductions, including a new formal round of negotiations covering all types of nuclear warheads (strategic and nonstrategic, deployed and non-deployed) and delivery systems; a protocol that reduces New START ceilings; and/or parallel reciprocal actions that accelerate the pact of New START reductions and move each side below New START ceilings?
- What steps can and should be taken to draw other nuclear-armed states into the nuclear risk reduction process?

17.15–18.00: Seligersky Conference Room

WORKSHOP SUMMARY AND CLOSING REMARKS

- Paul INGRAM, Executive Director, British American Security Information Council (BASIC), United Kingdom
- Anton KHLOPKOV, Director, Center for Energy and Security Studies (CENESS), Russian Federation

18:00–20:00

RECEPTION for the participants of the International Workshop