

ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Wednesday, March 17, 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donna Powers at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7977.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Wednesday, March 17, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. Eastern Time via telephone conference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Donna Powers. For more information please contact Mrs. Powers at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7977, or write TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Road, Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include various IRS issues.

Dated: February 4, 2010.

**Shawn F. Collins,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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## 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—February 25, 2010, Washington, DC.

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

*Name:* Daniel M. Slane, Chairman of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

The Commission is mandated by Congress to investigate, assess, and report to Congress annually on “the national security implications of the 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 February 25, 2010, to address “U.S. Debt to China: Implications and Repercussions.”

#### Background

This is the second public hearing the Commission will hold during its 2010 report cycle to collect input from leading academic, industry, and government experts on national security implications of the U.S. bilateral trade and economic relationship with China. The February 25 hearing will examine China’s lending activities, China’s current holdings of U.S. debt and other securities and future trends, and the economic, political, diplomatic, and security implications of U.S. debt to China.

The February 25 hearing will be Co-chaired by Commissioners Michael R. Wessel and Robin Cleveland.

Any interested party may file a written statement by February 25, 2010, by mailing to the contact below. On February 25, the hearing will be held in two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. A portion of each

panel will include a question and answer period between the Commissioners and the witnesses.

Transcripts of past Commission public hearings may be obtained from the USCC Web Site <http://www.uscc.gov>.

*Date and Time:* Thursday, February 25, 2010, 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. A detailed agenda for the hearing will be posted to the Commission’s Web Site at <http://www.uscc.gov> as soon as available.

**ADDRESSES:** The hearing will be held on Capitol Hill in Room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building located at First Street and Constitution Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20510. Public seating is limited to about 50 people on a first come, first served basis. Advance reservations are not required.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the hearing should contact Kathy Michels, Associate Director for the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, 444 North Capitol Street, NW., Suite 602, Washington, DC 20001; phone: 202-624-1409, or via e-mail at [kmichels@uscc.gov](mailto:kmichels@uscc.gov).

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

Dated: February 12, 2010.

**Kathleen J. Michels,**

*Associate Director, U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.*

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