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## A Foreign Policy Series Event

### China and the Competition for Energy Resources

Panelists Will Include:

Dr. Erica Downs  
Dr. David Finkelstein  
Ambassador Chas. W. Freeman

Continuing our Foreign Policy Series, we invite you to join the World Affairs Council for a panel discussion addressing China and the Competition for Energy Resources. China is the second-greatest energy consumer in the world (behind the United States), accounting for about 10.8% of annual global energy consumption. As China pushes its economic development forward, its energy demand has greatly increased, and is expected to continue growing at about 5% each year through the year 2020.

Dr. Erica Downes, Dr. David Finkelstein, and Ambassador Chas. Freeman will explore how China's quest for energy resources has had an impact on the developing world, and how its competition for these resources is affecting its relationship with other countries. What are the implications of China's quest for energy security? What are possible openings for international cooperation? Come hear what the experts have to say.

Dr. Erica S. Downs is a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution. She has worked at the Central Intelligence Agency as an Energy Analyst, taught at the Foreign Affairs College in Beijing, China and worked as an analyst at the RAND Corporation. Her current research focuses on Chinese energy issues. Her publications include: "The Chinese Energy Debate" and "Legitimacy and the Limits of Nationalism: China and the Diaoyu Islands". Ms. Downs is also the author of the book *China's Quest for Energy Security*.

Dr. David M. Finkelstein is the Director of Project Asia and The CNA Corporation's China Studies Center. He received his Ph.D. in Chinese history from Princeton University and studied Mandarin at Nankai University in Tianjin, China. A longtime student of Chinese and Asian affairs, he is widely published. He is a retired U.S. Army Officer with extensive experience in joint political-military assignments. Among his various political-military assignments, he served as the Director of Asian Studies, J-8, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Assistant Defense Intelligence Officer for East Asia and the Pacific.

Ambassador Chas. W. Freeman is former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and was Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs under President Clinton. After 30 years as a U.S. diplomat, he became the chairman of Projects International in 1995. He is also currently president of the Middle East Policy Council, co-chair of the U.S.-China Policy Foundation, vice-chair of the Atlantic Council, a trustee of the Institute for Defense Analyses — and a director of the Pacific Pension Institute. Amb. Freeman is the recipient of two Distinguished Public Service Awards, three Presidential Meritorious Service Awards, and a Distinguished Honor Award.

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