

## U.S.-CHINA COMMISSION ANNOUNCES SELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO LEAD FOURTH YEAR OF WORK

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Washington, D.C. – Commission Chairman C. Richard D'Amato today announced the appointment of T. Scott Bunton as the Executive Director of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, a Commission created by Congress in October 2000 to assess the economic and security implications of growing U.S.-China trade and financial ties.

For the past six years, Mr. Bunton has worked in the Executive Branch of the federal government, where he served as Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration and worked in the Department of Homeland Security after it was established in 2003. He most recently was Senior Advisor in the Commerce Department's Bureau of Industry and Security. Prior to his Executive Branch service, Mr. Bunton held several key policy and management staff positions for the United States Senate, private industry, and state government organizations. He succeeds David J. Ohrenstein, who has served as the Executive Director since 2002. Mr. Ohrenstein will remain a senior advisor to the Commission.

Chairman D'Amato said, "It is a pleasure to announce the selection of Scott Bunton as the Commission's Executive Director. Scott will lead the Commission's fourth year of work for the Congress assessing the national security implications of trade and economic ties between the United States and the People's Republic of China. I am confident that Mr. Bunton's leadership will contribute to continuation of the Commission's record of identifying and assessing for the Congress cutting-edge issues affecting U.S. economic and security interests."

The Commission is mandated by Congress to monitor, investigate, and submit an annual report to Congress on the national security implications of the bilateral trade and economic relationship between the United States and the People's Republic of China, and to provide recommendations to Congress for legislative and administrative action.

The Commission plans to hold an extensive series of public hearings in 2005 on a broad array of topics within its legislative mandate, including field hearings in New York City and Palo Alto, California. A full agenda will be available on the Commission's website (<a href="www.uscc.gov">www.uscc.gov</a>.) prior to each hearing.

The Commission's 2005 hearing schedule, its first two Annual Reports to Congress, transcripts of its public hearings, research papers, and translations of relevant Chinese-language materials are available at <a href="https://www.uscc.gov">www.uscc.gov</a>.

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