Joint Russian-Chinese Initiative on Strengthening Security in the Asia Pacific Region

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Recent Trends in Asia Pacific Security

- Regionalisation
- Multi-level economic integration
- Trade liberalisation
- Intra-regional cooperation
- Facilitation of investment cooperation
- Building of mutual cooperation and confidence

Positive background for multilateral diplomacy efforts
Asia Pacific Security: Potential Threats

- **Maritime piracy**
- **Cybercrime and cyberterrorism**
- **Terrorism and danger of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction**
- **Transborder organised crime**
- **Illegal drug trafficking**
- **Potentially explosive regional conflicts**
- **Pollution and natural disasters**
- **Territorial disputes**

Destabilizing factors
Asia Pacific Security: Current State

The existing regional security framework is based on the closed bilateral military alliances.

Lack of well structured system of institutions and legal instruments of securing the regional military and political stability.

- Elaborate a new multidimensional, multi-layer architecture of security and development based on the principles of non-discrimination, transparency and international law.

- Adopt best practice in development of CBMs in multilateral regional groupings and fora as well as within the bilateral framework.

- Develop a network of partnerships among multilateral regional groupings and fora, anti-terrorist structures, information and management centres of disaster relief.
## Russian-Chinese Security Initiative

### Strengthening of Security in Asia Pacific

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<th>✓ Confirm the internationally recognized principles:</th>
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<td>Equal and indivisible security</td>
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<td>Peaceful settlements of international disputes</td>
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<td>Non-use of force or threat of force</td>
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| ✓ Abandon the policy of confrontation and alliances against third countries |

| ✓ Initiate a pan-Asian dialogue and practical implementation of means aimed at establishment of an open, transparent and equitable security and cooperation architecture in Asia Pacific based on the legal, non-bloc framework and due consideration of interests of all states |
Case Studies

✓ Agreement on Strengthening Confidence in the Military Sphere in the Border Areas between the Russian Federation, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan and People’s Republic of China of 26 April 1996
  ➢ Exchange of general information on military forces and border guards
  ➢ Informing of military activities and planned military exercises
  ➢ Invitation of military observers

  ➢ Observance of agreed limits of military forces and armaments within 100 km border area
  ➢ Annual exchange of information based on the agreed upon protocol
  ➢ Exchange of military inspections

✓ Exchange of military delegations, holding of joint trainings and military exercises provided for by the annual bilateral military cooperation programmes