

**JOINT STATEMENT OF INTENT BY  
THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA  
AND  
THE CUSTOMS GENERAL ADMINISTRATION, THE  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF QUALITY  
SUPERVISION, INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE OF  
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA CONCERNING  
EXPLORATION OF COOPERATION IN NUCLEAR AND  
OTHER RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL DETECTION**

The Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Customs General Administration of the People's Republic of China, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China, collectively herein the "Signatories",

Recognizing the increasing threats to global security posed by terrorists' attempts to acquire nuclear and radiological weapons of mass destruction;

Being convinced of the need to detect, deter, and where necessary, to prevent terrorist attempts to smuggle nuclear or radiological weapons and radioactive materials across international borders, to disrupt global trade or to make use of commercial shipping to further terrorist schemes;

Recognizing the high volume of trade between seaports in the

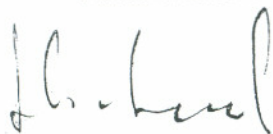
People's Republic of China and the United States, and the role of Chinese ports as intermodal transport hubs for cargo originating in many countries;

State their intention to explore future cooperation with respect to:

1. Safeguarding global maritime trade by enhancing, through modern technological means, the monitoring at major Chinese ports of high-risk containers that pose a potential terrorist threat, to ensure their in-transit security;
2. Engaging in cooperation to foster the Signatories' shared desire to combat illicit trafficking in nuclear and other radioactive material by terrorists and others.

Signed at this day of September 2, 2005, in duplicate, in the English and Chinese languages.

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