



# C-100 Leadership Delegation Program

## JOURNALIST DELEGATION REPORT 2011

C-100 successfully completed its fourth Journalist Delegation Program from November 27 – December 6, 2011, with meetings in Beijing and Shanghai, and culminated in the journalists' participation at the Fourth Greater China Conference in Hong Kong. This year's delegation included three influential American journalists: Eugene Robinson, Columnist and Associate Editor, *The Washington Post*, Nicholas Goldberg, Editor of Editorial Pages, *The Los Angeles Times*, and Rekha Basu, Columnist, *The Des Moines Register*. During the eight-day visit, the journalists had the opportunity to interact with a variety of Chinese people from government, academia, think tanks, business, high school, local media, ordinary family and the arts. The journalists participated in 17 meetings, which addressed a diverse range of topics: U.S.-China relations, Chinese foreign policy, Chinese national security, energy security, clean energy, environmental protection, journalism in China, the arts, intellectual trends, economy, education, public opinion, and daily life. C-100 also arranged meetings with *The Washington Post* and *The Los Angeles Times* correspondents stationed in Beijing. The journalists attended C-100's Fourth Greater China Conference in Hong Kong. To view video clips of the journalists' impressions and their columns on China, visit: [www.committee100.org](http://www.committee100.org).

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### PROGRAM IMPACT

The journalists were overwhelmed by all the information they received on this intensive, first-time visit to China. Their eyes and horizons were opened as they began to realize the complexity of the country through meeting a wide range of Chinese people and had more questions after the trip than before. This experience has had a visible impact on their understanding of China and their perception of the country's ongoing development. China now also serves a reference for them to understand the United States better and why U.S.-China cooperation is so important to the whole world.

### PARTICIPANTS FEEDBACK

**Eugene Robinson:** "Traveling through China with you was an unforgettable experience, and I'll always be grateful. I'm already itching to go back and see more. I don't think you can be an American journalist today and not be aware of what's happening in China, because it's the biggest story of our time."

**Nick Goldberg:** "Thank you again for the fascinating, fun, informative trip. I was so glad to go and I learned a tremendous amount."

**Rekha Basu:** "Thank you so much for making the China trip so informative, enjoyable and fun. You did a great job of planning and I came away so much more aware of things I did not know."

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