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Hosting the Great Powers: the US-China Summit and its Aftermath

delivered by

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Welcome remarks: John Shattuck, President and Rector

Almost exactly a year ago, The Annenberg Retreat at Sunnylands hosted the famed “Shirt Sleeves” summit between US President Barack Obama and Chinese President Xi Jinping. Since that time, Sunnylands has also hosted a meeting between President Obama and King Abdullah II of Jordan. Geoffrey Cowan, President of The Annenberg Retreat at Sunnylands and University Professor, University of Southern California, will provide some behind the scenes observations about these meetings, discuss the aftermath of the US-China Summit, and comment on the importance of informal diplomatic encounters. In the course of his remarks, he will also discuss his background heading the Voice of America, as a teacher, and as the author of Top Secret: The Battle for the Pentagon Papers, which toured China in 2011 and 2013.

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Reception will follow