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'Co-operation in the Russian-Indian-Israeli Aerospace & Defence Industry and its Implications for China'

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China is the largest buyer of Russian arms and India the second (43% of Russian arms exports went to China, and 25% to India in the period 2001-2005: *SIPRI Yearbook 2006*). Israel also provides hightech weapon systems to India. There is a complex defence industrial cooperation among Russia, India and Israel. This presentation deals with the issues of trilateral and bilateral co-operation and its implications for China. Although the Chinese officials claim that 'co-operation between Israel and India is not aimed against China', India is not exactly China's best friend, but neither is it their foe. It is, however, their rival in South Asia, although both sides downplay this. On the other hand, this presentation does not deal with arms sales from Russia and Israel to India or to Indian manufacture of Russian fighters under licence. Nor does it deal with the upgrade of Russian weapon systems in Indian service. These are topics that have been, and still are, exceptionally well covered elsewhere.

Dr Eugene Kogan, currently CPAS guest researcher, is a noted expert in the field of defence technologies. He has held a series of research fellowships at some of Europe's most renowned research institutes, including Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Auswaertige Politik, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, the Swedish Defence Research Agency (FOI), the Swedish National Defence College, and the Institute of History of the Russian Academy of Sciences. In addition to all of this he has also conducted research at Harvard University. Dr Kogan is a prolific writer and has presented an extensive series of papers on the following topics: Conversion and related problems in the Soviet/Russian military industrial complex; Russian arms exports; Defence industrial policy in Central and Eastern Europe; Israeli defence industrial policy and arms export strategy; Space technology; and Chinese aviation industry.

Most Welcome!

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