

Panel: Ethnic Minorities in China (Lilac &Tulip Room) **Date/Time:** Wednesday, December 12, 2012 / 15:15-16:30

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The People's Republic of China is a united multi-ethnic state founded jointly by the people of all its 56 ethnic groups. The PRC government adopted a series of ethnic policy aimed at stimulating common development of all ethnic groups in politic, economic, culture and etc. The PRC government's minorities policy mainly contains 9 items, they are:

- I. Adherence to Equality and Unity among Ethnic Groups
- II. Upholding and Improving Regional Ethnic Autonomy
- III. Accelerating the Economic and Social Development of the Ethnic Minorities and Minority Areas
- IV. Attaching importance to developing of Cultures and Education of the Ethnic Minorities
- V. Striving to Foster Cadres and Talented People of the Ethnic Minorities
- VI. Use and Development of Spoken and Written Languages of Ethnic Minorities
- VII. Protection of the Personal Freedom of Ethnic Minorities
- VIII. Respecting and Protecting the Freedom of Religious Belief of Ethnic Minorities
- IX. Implementation of Preferential Policies for Minority Areas

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