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On May 27, the Creating a New East Asian Order sub-forum held the 2nd discussion of the shaping of regional order in East Asia, Mr. Park In-kook from Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies was the chairman of the meeting.

Professor Jae Ho Chung from South Korea discussed about the potential problems of the US-led Asian order, he believed that a new regional order will emerge in the future of East Asia. First, the U.S. will not give up the dominance in Asia. Second, China's East Asian neighbors are suspicious about China. Third, there are serious territorial disputes between China and neighboring countries.

Professor James V Wertsch from University of Washington compared the relationship between China and India and its influence over East Asia. He insisted that each country has its own cultural gene and traditions of civilization. The difference between China and India, both ancient civilizations, is more obvious, which will influence the cooperation between them. To the well-being of the two countries, both should have in-depth understanding and respect of each other's culture.

Professor Victor of Cha analyzed the rise of China and its influence on East Asian regional order. He argued that China's rise is a major event of the East Asian regional order. But on the whole, the balance of power in East Asia is still relatively stable. First, the existence of Japan, South Korea and other Northeast Asian countries as intermediate states will adjust the conflicts between the United States and China. Second, other countries in the region will be inclined to a stable regional order. He stressed that, Southeast Asia is probably less stable, because the United States doesn't have a relatively consistent plan. Dr. Wei Ling from the Chinese Foreign Affairs University analyzed the balance in the process of regional order construction in East Asian. She pointed out that ASEAN has played a very important role in the landscaping of the East Asian order. ASEAN is making some rules in the process of regional order shaping. It has in fact adopted the strategy of balancing between the

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major powers, through which the interests of ASEAN will be better materialized. ASEAN's role to build a stable regional order in East Asia is actually helpful for the networking of its members.

Mr. Ahn Chong Ghee, Consul General of South Korea in Shanghai attended this meeting.