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# **DETERRENCE:** Russia test-fires two new nuclear missiles, Reuters (23 December 2011)

Russia successfully tested its two new Bulava intercontinental missiles, which experienced several failures in the past, from a submerged submarine in the Arctic White Sea and hit the target, a designated polygon, on Kamchatka peninsula. Bulava packs 6-10 re-entry vehicles.

- <u>Russia to develop heavy ICBM to evade U.S. missile interceptors</u>, Global Security Newswire (16 December 2011)
- Lights out for the airborne laser, Amy Butler, Aviation Week (21 December 2011)
- <u>Missile defense system hits 2 targets over Hawaii</u>, Jennifer Sinco Kelleher, Associated Press (5 October 2011)

#### **DPRK:** Nothing succeeds like succession: Chinese language perspectives on Kim Jong-Un's transition to power, Roger Cavanos, The Nautilus Institute (23 December 2011)

Roger Cavanos, a Nautilus Institute Associate, assesses the Chinese media's response to Kim Jong-II's death. His conclusion was that this interaction was scripted some time ago in planning for KJI's eventual death, it emphasizes stability and an controlled transition to Kim Jong-Un, and that the primary concerns in China involve provocation from the ROK and US, not the control of fissile material or nuclear weapons in North Korea.

- The party as the kingmaker: The death of Kim Jong II and its consequences for North Korea, Rudiger Frank, The Nautilus Institute (22 December 2011)
- <u>Kim Jong II's death suggests continuity plus opportunity to engage</u>, Peter Hayes, Scott Bruce, and David von Hippel, The Nautilus Institute (19 December 2011)
- North Korea's uncertain succession, Interview with Scott Snyder, The Council on Foreign Relations (19 December 2011)

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: Local adaptation for livelihood resilience in** <u>Albay, Philippines</u>, Noralene Uy, Yukiko Takeuchi and Rajib Shaw, Environmental Hazards: Human and Policy Dimensions, Vol. 10, pp. 139-153 (2011) [PDF, 459 KB]

Looking at livelihoods from SLA (sustainable livelihoods approach) lens is effective as a means of assessing climate change adaptation capacity because it is able to (i) reveal local vulnerabilities, (ii) build an understanding of macro- and micro-level enabling conditions for climate change adaptation, and (iii) identify locally relevant resilience-building options.

- Local initiatives and adaptation to climate change, Ana V. Rojas Blanco, Disasters, Vol. 30, Issue 1, pp. 140-147 (2006) [subscription required]
- <u>Adapting to climate change: How local experiences can shape the debate</u>, Douma, A. and Hirsch, D., Both Ends, Amsterdam (2007)

#### **ENERGY SECURITY: Japan's nuclear village wages war on renewable energy and the feed-in tariff**, Andrew DeWit, NAPSNet Policy Forum (14 December 2011)

The Fukushima accident in March of 2011 started a cascade of changes to Japanese energy policy, including increased interest in renewable energy. A legislative bill passed 8/26 changes jurisdiction over an expanded "feed-in tariff" from nuclear industry-linked-METI to a nominally independent commission. A political battle has erupted between nuclear and renewable power advocates regarding the background of nominees to serve on the commission.

- 'Networking for Prevention of Blackouts' announcing emergency level of power shortage proves effective for household electricity saving, Japan for Sustainability (14 December 2011)
- <u>In China, power in nascent electric car industry</u>, Keith Bradsher, New York Times (26 December 2011)
- <u>In Australia's new carbon tax, a host of missed opportunities</u>, Richard Denniss, Yale Environment 360 (12 Dec 2011)

# **<u>GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: Japan, China focus on North Korea</u>, Toko Sekiguchi, The Wall Street Journal (26 December 2011)**

Japanese Prime Minister Noda and PRC President Hu Jintao emphasized the need for stability and

denuclearization on the Korean peninsula following the death of Kim Jong-il and discussed further trilateral economic cooperation between the two states and the ROK. Separately, the ROK and PRC pledged stronger bilateral cooperation to maintain stability in the region; meanwhile, the DPRK has requested that the ROK uphold previous economic agreements.

- Talks with China on stability, Moon Gwang-lip, Joongang Daily (28 December 2011)
- North Korea asks South to restore deal to spur investment, Choe Sang-hun, New York Times (27 December 2011)

Note: We regret that the Austral Security section is not included in this week's NAPSNet report and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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