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DETERRENCE: [A 'black hole' in the global nonproliferation regime: The case of Taiwan](#), Nautilus Institute (8 September 2011)

Taiwan is a legal-political 'black hole' in nonproliferation cooperation due to its 'non-state' status. This prevents it from participating in multilateral nonproliferation treaties and export control regimes, and limits its access to intelligence sharing from national and international security agencies.

- [Middleman Majid Kakavand arrested for allegedly directing Malaysia-based Iranian illicit procurement scheme](#), ISIS (16 February 2010) [PDF 0.4MB]
- [Malaysia may be WMD transit point](#), Star Online (22 March 2011)
- [Security trade control in Asia: Role of Japan and international cooperation](#), Nautilus Institute (3 November 2009) [PPT 0.1MB]

AUSTRAL SECURITY: [Cyber war added to ANZUS pact](#), SMH (16 September

2011)

Australia and the US have marked the 60th anniversary of their mutual defence pact by adding co-operation on cyber warfare, the first formal deal between two powers outside NATO to combat the emerging security threat. The reports and articles below explore the AUSMIN deal in detail and the implications of closer US-Australia relations.

- [Australia-United States ministerial consultations \(AUSMIN\) 2011 joint communiqué](#), The Hon Kevin Rudd MP, Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs (15 September 2011)
- [Whither US forces? US military presence in the Asia-Pacific and the implications for Australia](#), ASPI (8 September 2011)
- [The yanks are welcome in Oz](#), WSJ (15 September 2011)

DPRK: [S. Korean president sets peace as precondition of inter-Korean summit](#), Xinhua News (9 September 2011)

ROK President Lee Myung-bak said that an inter-Korean summit was possible if it will help “open peace and prosperity” between the two Koreas. Two major candidates in the 2012 ROK Presidential election have also called for engagement with the North. Park Geun-hye called for a policy of “trustpolitik” that would involve economic cooperation with North Korea. Sohn Hak-kyu recommended talks with the DPRK to “pave the way for reunification.”

- [A new kind of Korea](#), Foreign Affairs (September/October 2011) [subscription required]
- [DP leader calls for shift in gov't policy toward NK](#), Korea Times (8 September 2011)
- [Why not opt for a “win-win” strategy for the Korean Peninsula?](#) Nautilus Institute, (26 July 2011)

ENERGY SECURITY: [Case study of green economy policies: Korea](#), Nautilus Institute (13 September 2011)

Economic growth in the Republic of Korea (ROK) in recent decades have placed it among the world's leading economies, but also among the world's leading importers of fuel and emitters of greenhouse gases. The ROK's green economy policies, developed since 2008, have commendable stated goals, but rely on spending directed primarily to the construction and nuclear industries, rather than being a true plan for “greening” of the Korean economy.

- [Korea's 97 billion dollar question: What is green growth?](#) In Asia, the Asia Foundation (15 June 2011)
- [Denmark's road map for fossil fuel independence](#), Solutions (July 2011)
- [A conflict of greens: Green development versus habitat preservation – the case of Incheon](#), South Korea, Environment (May-June 2011)

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: [Climate resilient infrastructure: Preparing for a changing climate](#), Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, UK (May 2011) [2.92 MB, PDF]

The challenge of building climate resilient infrastructure is set within a wider challenge of securing sufficient investment to build a low carbon society. The UK Government is planning for

infrastructure investment to be some £200 billion over the next five years. To ensure best value from this investment, climate change adaptation and long-term sustainability must be built-in from the start as a core consideration.

- [National infrastructure plan 2010](#), HM Treasury and Infrastructure UK (October 2010) [1.86 MB, PDF]
- [Keeping the country running: natural hazards and infrastructure](#), Cabinet Office, UK (March 2011) [1.18 MB, PDF]

GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [Backlash against Korean wave in Japan](#), Channel News Asia (24 August 2011)

The “Korean Wave”, which has made the South Korean pop culture industry the flagship of Asian pop culture, has begun to carry increasing importance in the policy arena. Teens in North Korea are said to listen to and mimic South Korean pop songs and dances, and a private South Korean group plans to broadcast dramas into the North. In Japan, however, over 6000 people protested against a major TV company in August for airing too many Korean dramas.

- [S.Korea to launch entertainment satellite tv to the North](#), Chosun Ilbo (7 September 2011)
- [North Korea says Seoul plotting to destroy it](#), AFP (5 September 2011)

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