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DETERRENCE: [Extraterritorial jurisdiction over dual use nuclear commodity smuggling and international law](#), Anthony Colangelo, NAPSNet Special Report, Nautilus Institute (15 November 2011) [PDF, 0.7MB]

The paper argues that legal obstacles to extraterritorial and universal jurisdiction over dual use nuclear commodities smuggling should be overcome due to its massive potential to destabilize the international system and to metastasize unchecked by traditional state accountability paradigms.

- [Punishment to fit the nuclear crime](#), A. Slaughter, T. Wright, Washington Post (2 March 2007)
- [Nuclear proliferation: The crime with no punishment?](#) E. Harrell, Time (16 September 16 2011)

ENERGY SECURITY: [Interview: A power company president ties his future to green energy](#), Yale Environment 360 (9 November 2011)

David Crane, CEO of US-based NRG Energy, refers to climate change as a “slow-moving catastrophe” and “the fundamental issue of our day”. Crane sees the future for electric utilities transformed by a combination of solar photovoltaic (PV) panels on building roofs, electric vehicles, and “smart meters” moving power between buildings, PVs, vehicle batteries, and the grid.

Consumers, he says, now have energy choices that they never had before.

- [Japan begins feed-in tariff scheme to accelerate renewable energy promotion](#), Japan for Sustainability, JFS Newsletter No. 110 (8 November 2011)
- [This week in clean economy: Major solar projects caught up in U.S.-China trade war](#), Maria Gallucci, InsideClimate News (11 November 2011)
- [Summary report, APEC energy policy roundtable: APEC 2011 USA, 21 economies for the 21st century](#), National Bureau of Asian Research (12 September 2011)

GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [Japan torn over entry to trade bloc](#), Malcolm Foster, New Zealand Herald (10 November 2011)

Japanese Prime Minister Noda voiced his commitment to serious talks regarding Japan's participation in a Trans-Pacific Partnership free-trade framework, proposed at APEC summit meeting, despite opposition from Japan's powerful agricultural base. ROK President Lee also encouraged greater deregulation and free trade in the region, citing the ROK as an example, although protests continue against the US-ROK free trade agreement at home.

- [Lee calls on APEC leaders to encourage corporate creativity through deregulation](#), Yonhap News (14 November 2011)
- [APEC leaders talk up trade, fret over debt](#), Japan Times (15 November 2011)

DPRK: [Not bad options for the six party talks](#), Roger Cavazos, The Nautilus Institute (9 November 2011)

Roger Cavazos surveyed track 1 and track 2 interactions with North Korea in October and November and concluded that the DPRK is actively trying to engage the outside world. In particular, he recommends that the US and other states work with the DPRK on train lines and educational exchanges. "If no one reaches back towards those who are ...taking a risk by welcoming in limited outside forces... we will likely lose many opportunities for a long time."

- [Russian railways demonstration train makes run between Rajin and Khasan](#), North Korean Economy Watch (13 October 2011)
- [Seoul to help preserve palace despite sanctions on N.Korea](#), Geoffrey See, Chosun Ilbo (14 November 2011)

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: [Climate change: Adaptation for Queensland - issues paper](#), Office of Climate Change, Department of Environment and Resource Management, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia (2011) [PDF, 2.08 MB]

The recent floods and cyclones in Queensland-Australia, while devastating, provide an opportunity to the Queensland Government to assess its preparedness for the likelihood of more frequent and extreme events. They also provide an opportunity to reassess where, and to what standard, key community and economic infrastructure should be built to better prepare for future climate change.

- [Australia's worst cyclones: Timeline](#), Marina Kamenev, Australian Geographic (4 February 2011)
- [Resilience to climate change impacts: A review of flood mitigation policy in Queensland, Australia](#),

AUSTRAL SECURITY: [Uranium miners eager for Indian market](#), Emily Stewart, Lateline Business, ABC (15 November 2011)

In a major policy change that was welcomed in New Delhi, Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard declared that her ruling Labour Party would reverse its ban on selling uranium to India. The policy shift is partially due to US pressure; the US believes Australia's ban on uranium exports is hindering efforts to develop a broader economic and security pact to link Washington, Canberra and New Delhi.

- [Transcript of press conference, Canberra](#), Prime Minister of Australia, The Hon. Julia Gillard MP (15 November 2011)
- [Australia to revoke ban on uranium sale to India](#), The Times of India (16 November 2011)
- [Grand stakes: Australia's future between China and India](#), Rory Medcalf, The National Bureau of Asian Research (September 2011)

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