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DETERRENCE: Precision technologies as possible alternatives to nuclear weapons, Nonproliferation Policy Education Center (19 July 2011)

Steve Lukasik, former director of the US Department of Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, assesses the potential of emerging, highly precise conventional military technologies to accomplish the missions currently assigned to nuclear weapons, "The short answer is to a great extent but not entirely."

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AUSTRAL SECURITY: People's congress forcefully dispersed, Jakarta Post (20 October 2011)

Indonesian security forces fired on a mass meeting of West Papuans and arrested leaders and

activists after participants at the Papuan People's Congress declared independence for the restive region.

- 5,000 attend 3rd Papuan people's congress, Jakarta Post (18 October 2011)
- Troops open fire on Papuan gathering, newmatilda.com (20 October 2011)
- 'Chaos' as shots ring out at Papuan peoples' congress, Jakarta Globe (19 October 2011)

GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: S. Koreans hold 'occupy wall street' protest in Seoul, Yonhap News (15 October 2011)

An 'Occupy Seoul' protest held in solidarity with global 'Occupy Wall Street' demonstrations decried financial greed in conglomerates, the widening wealth gap and the Korea-US Free Trade Agreement (FTA). Korean-American activists gathered outside the White House during a state dinner between Pres. Lee and Obama to protest the FTA and the construction of a naval base on Jeju, but were shut down by the Secret Service for being a security threat.

- Legal protest dispersed during S. Korea-US summit, Hankyoreh (17 October 2011)
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Understanding the link between extreme weather and climate change is part of the battle. Figuring out how to protect ourselves now and in the future when these events become more severe and common is the basis behind this paper. The paper draws from recent individual weather events and provides lessons to help take action to reduce climate change impacts.

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DPRK: Doctors check on North's hibakusha, Kyodo News (17 October 2011)

Six Japanese doctors returned from a trip to North Korea where they interviewed and treated victims of the 1945 atomic bombing of Hiroshima who now live in the DPRK. "We will urge the Japanese government to support the North Korean survivors who are aging and have little time left to live," said Shizuteru Usui. Until now, the DPRK insisted that it provides the hibakusha with the best care possible and Japanese specialists have nothing to offer it.

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- Support scarce for N. Korean hibakusha, Japan Times (3 August 2006)

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