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DETERRENCE: Cultural Strategy Report, Moore and Associates, Ploughshares Fund, 2013

Mass and elite civil society opinion matters in the legitimacy of nuclear weapons strategies. A Ploughshares report addresses falling public concern and suggests a focus on (implicitly) American youth and faith sectors. What Americans think matters and influences European and other societies' public opinions in nuclear and non-nuclear weapons states—even in China. [PDF, 3.6MB]

- Knowledge, Accessibility and Awareness Of Nuclear Weapons, Julia Kreienkamp, BASIC blog, August 27, 2014
- Nuclear Weapons Research 2014, WMD Awareness public opinion survey, February 2014
- Popular Responses to the Atomic Bomb in China 1945–1955, Henrietta Harrison, *Past and Present* , Supplement 8, 2013, pp. 98-116 [0.12MB]

DPRK: DPRK Looks for New European Partners. Hong Van, Talk Vietnam. (9 September 2014).

North Korea's opened a new round of diplomatic outreach by sending Kang Sok-ju through Mongolia and Europe. Kang's roles as Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers Party and Director of the Party's International Relation Department means he can deliver or relay messages from the Party and the State. North Korea has an uneasy and uneven relationship with the outside world. Even though North Korea allows more cellphones, it appears that the numbers of cellphones is moving toward saturation since the rate of new subscriptions is levelling off. North Korea also discovered and closed a technological open door which might have allowed average North Koreans access the internet. Six Party negotiators from the United States and Korea met, but no one should expect sudden changes.

- Koryolink subscriptions hit 2.4 million. North Korea Tech. (8 September 2014)
- North Korea prohibits foreigners from using Wifi; prevents North Koreans from accessing internet. Phoenix Tech. (9 September 2014) [Chinese language]
- Pyongyang open to talks with U.S. Ser Myo-ja, Joongang Ilbo. (10 September 2014)

GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: Protests Point to Macau Awakening, Juliana Liu, BBC (26 August 2014)

Workers in Macau have been demonstrating for better pay and conditions while other groups held an unofficial referendum regarding Macau's political freedom and leadership. China is facing similar ongoing protests in Hong Kong, following Beijing's decision not to allow Hong Kongers to select their next leader.

- Protests in Macau predict China's future, William Pesek, Business Standard (30 August 2014)
- Disruptive Hong Kong protests loom after China rules out democracy, Clare Jim and Diana Chan, Reuters (1 September 2014)
- China says Hong Kong democracy protests risk election, Fion Lee and Jill Mao, Bloomberg (1 September 2014)

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: Experiences Building Resilience to Climate Change in Asian Cities, Urban Climate, vol. 7, pages 47-63 (March 2014) *[Open Access]*

Significant investment is being made by donor organisations to catalyse awareness about climate change impacts in urban environments and to initiate processes that enable cities to adapt and become more resilient. Whilst these types of programs are valuable, they are constrained by finite budgets and timescales (typically a few years), and the scale of funding involved is minor in relation to urban investment funds that are held by city, state and national governments.

- Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network (ACCCRN): Responding to the Urban Climate

Challenge. Institute for Social and Environmental Transition-ISET, Boulder, Colorado, USA (November 2009) [3.41 MB, PDF]

- ACCCRN City Projects, Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network (ACCCRN), the Rockefeller Foundation, Asia Office, Bangkok, Thailand (May 2013) [8.23 MB, PDF]

ENERGY SECURITY: How Ignoring Climate Change Could Sink the U.S. Economy, Robert E. Rubin, Opinion, Washington Post (24 July 2014)

Comes Rubin – he of Goldman Sachs, Friend of Bill (also Secretary of Treasury) and Citicorp bailout fame, now co-chair of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Hamilton Project – touting economic forecasts of doom and despair. Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-Md) of US Congress promises a "dividend" from auction revenues of carbon permits, a tax just not in name.

Economists can be shopped for opinions; all it takes is models. Even a physicist has one.

- The carbon dividend: Chris Van Hollen to introduce plan to auction pollution permits, James K. Boyce, New York Times (29 July 2014)
- Climate change and its potential disruptions not big factor in Fed forecasts, Michael S. Derby, Wall Street Journal (8 May 2014)
- James Hansen on Cap & Trade vs Fee & Dividend, Clive Ellsworth, Mediafire (July 2014)

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