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"In 2015, a special forces guy walking around with classified imagery can't do shit...If you're in North Africa or in Asia Pacific, there's probably not a NATO partner there." Unless the US military quickly adopts cloud-based data integration software like iSpatial on unclassified digital objects, non-state actors will have better situational awareness than the military.

- [iSpatial is a web-based collaborative framework that leverages Google Earth and Maps in a flexible, task-based approach to solving complex problems](#), Thermopylae Sciences and Technology

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DPRK: [China rejects North Korea request to join Asian Infrastructure Bank](#), Elizabeth Shim, UPI (31 March 2015)

China's decision to exclude North Korea from the Asia Infrastructure Investment Bank indicates how unlikely and how insufficient any North Korean reform and/or opening efforts are likely to be. That decision also likely presages increasingly aggressive North Korean behavior as they attempt to garner more capital to sink into even more military capabilities in a vicious cycle of estrangement from the broader international community.

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As the ROK and other European allies of the US join the China-led AIIB ahead of the March 31 deadline to become a founding member, some are seeing a shift towards a new “world order” that is more Asia-centric. Others, however, see the joining of European nations as signaling China’s need for European involvement to retain legitimacy while also meaning China will be left with less control over the institution.

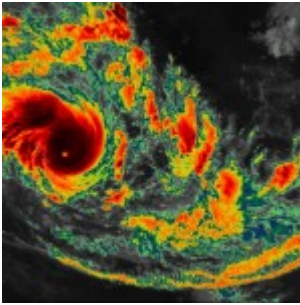
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Links between urban violence and mitigation as well as adaptation need to be examined. Firstly, mitigation and adaptation can create new or exacerbate existing tensions with, between, and within communities, which can escalate into violence. Secondly, mitigation and adaptation can be a mechanism for conflict prevention and peace-building by addressing the causes and impacts of violence. Thirdly, violence can negatively impact on climate mitigation and adaptation.

- [Climate change fuelling resource-based conflicts in the Asia-Pacific](#), Alice Blondel, Asia-Pacific Human Development Report, Background Papers Series 2012/12, UNDP (2012) [4.24 MB, PDF]
- [Backdraft: the conflict potential of climate change adaptation and mitigation](#), Geoffrey D. Dabelko et al (editors), Environmental Change & Security Program, vol. 14, issue 2, Washington DC: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (2013) [2.78 MB, PDF]



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Response to threats to security derive from the narrative frames within which they are set, as are arguments for rights, blame, and compensation. Geographers – along with insurance companies and security practitioners – stress the spatial dimensions of such narratives, and their related attachments. Opinion research shows a reality of planetary attachments are beginning to approach national attachments.

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- [That 2 degrees climate goal is 'utterly inadequate,' says expert report](#), Brian Stallard, *Nature World News* (28 March 2015)
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