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DPRK: [Why is US pleased with India's outreach to North Korea?](#) Shweta Desai, Scroll (16 April 2015)

North Korea reached out to nuclear powers India and Russia, but apparently did not discuss nuclear issues. However, North Korea did ask both countries to engage North Korea on its terms. North Korea agreed to a binding legal basis, apparently at Russia's request and may be a quid pro quo of space cooperation between Russia and North Korea. China's Xi Jinping will not meet with North Korea's President Kim Jong-nam on the sidelines of a conference in Bandung, Indonesia. All North Korea's external activities are to strengthen North Korea's present system, not reform it.

- [Russia and North Korea space program: amid growing relations, countries agree to work together in outer space](#), Aaron Morrison, International Business Times (17 April 2015)
 - [North Korea and Russia sign road connection deal](#), Christopher Rivotuso, Russia Insider (18 April 2015)
 - [Korea's ceremonial head of state travels to Indonesia](#), Yonhap News (18 April 2015)
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GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [Professors launch online forum for seeking to understand Sewol tragedy](#), Um Ji-won, Hankyoreh (18 April 2015)

A group of professors has launched an online forum to facilitate discussions between professors and

students regarding the Sewol ferry sinking a year ago, as demonstrations marking the sinking turned violent over the weekend. While the government has stated it will salvage the ship, families are not satisfied with government promises for an investigation and compensation and boycotted a meeting with the President.

- [Crowd calls out government at Sewol memorial](#), Kim Bong-moon, JoongAng Ilbo (18 April 2015)
 - [South Korea police clash with protestors over ferry disaster](#), James Pearson and Sohee Kim, Reuters (18 April 2015)
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CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: [Global risks report 2015](#), World Economic Forum (2015)

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- [Cities at Risk, START: enhancing scientific capacity to inspire informed action on global environmental change](#), International START Secretariat (2015)
 - [The safe cities index 2015: assessing urban security in the digital age](#), Economist Intelligence Unit-EIU (2015) [5.30 MB, PDF]
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CLIMATE CHANGE AND SECURITY: [China and other big emitters challenge Australia over its climate change policies](#), Adam Morton and Tom Arup, Sydney Morning Herald (20 April 2015)

As the effects of climate change become socially visible in global power centres, climate change security concern will shift abruptly from fragile states and conflict multipliers to threatening talk on national mitigation targets. In the runup to the UNFCCC COP21, questions of the industrialised parties - polite for now - are a harbinger of calls to account to come - with Australia's denialist government facing questions from the US, China and Brazil on its "low level of ambition".

- [A compilation of questions to - Australia](#), United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (1 April 2015) [PDF, 307KB]
 - [Annual compilation and accounting report for Annex B Parties under the Kyoto Protocol for 2014](#), Mitigation, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, FCCC/KP/CMP/2014/7 (17 November 2014) [PDF, 650KB]
 - [Climate change, international security and the way to Paris 2015](#), Draft Special Report, Philippe Vitel (France), Special Rapporteur, NATO Parliamentary Assembly, Science and Technology Committee (20 March 2015)
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