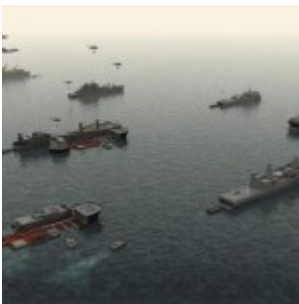


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DETERRENCE: [Expeditionary Force 21, Forward and Ready, Now and in the Future](#), 4 March 2014

Driven by post Iraq-Afghanistan withdrawal pains and facing budget cuts, the US Marines wants a more agile, rapidly deployable force structure, integrated with the Navy, ceding long-term occupation to the Army, and a more flexible, lighter, faster vessels and equipment to support independent expeditionary operations in the face of "anti-access/area denial" threats.

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North Korea continues to push unlikely partners together while creating fissures with its ally. China floated a trial balloon stating via a proxy academic that they might consider direct talks with South Korea and the U.S. North Korea also helped delay OPCON (Operational Control) of military forces in the Republic of Korea and even served to bring South Korea and Japan together. It is possible to quantify to some extent how North Korea transfers the negative impacts of sanctions to the common people by measuring luminosity.

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GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [China, S. Korea and Japan's Environment Ministers Discuss Joint Response to Air Pollution](#), Xinhua (29 April 2014)

The Environment Ministers of China, Japan and the ROK signed a Joint Communiqué to enhance cooperation on environmental issues and address air pollution in the region. Japan and the ROK have been significantly affected by China pollutants this year, causing the ROK to increase its budget for air monitoring ten-fold over last year. As an added risk factor, research is showing correlation

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AUSTRAL PEACE AND SECURITY: [Malcolm Fraser: An Unlikely Radical](#), Robert Manne, The Age, 26 April 2014

'Dangerous Allies is the most radical book ever to have been written by a former Australian prime minister. Fraser expresses the essence of his policy recommendation in these words: "To make sure that America does not have a capacity to force Australia into a war which we should well and truly keep out of." Great powers do not reward loyalty; that is the abiding illusion on which our defence policy has been based for more than a century. It's time for Australia to grow up.'

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