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## **DETERRENCE: [PACOM supports China invite to RIMPAC 2014](#), Gidget Fuentes, Navy Times (19 September 2012)**

September 17: Chinese frigate, US destroyer conduct joint anti-piracy exercise in Gulf of Aden; September 17; September 6, Chinese coast guard ship in Honolulu for joint search-rescue exercise; PLA last in major US-led exercises, Valiant Shield, June 2006; & search-rescue exercise, offshore Hainan Island, November 2006

- [U.S. and China team up for counter-piracy exercise](#), USS Winston S. Churchill (DDG 81) Public Affairs (19 September 2012)
  - [East meets West in historic exercise](#), Stephanie Young, Coast Guard Compass blog (12 September
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- [U.S.-China maritime confidence building, paradigms, precedents, and prospects](#), David Griffiths, China Maritime Study, No. 6 (July 2010) [PDF, 1.4MB]
  - [The U.S.-China incidents at sea agreement: A recipe for disaster](#), Pete Pedrozo, Journal of National Security Law & Policy, 6:207 (29 August 2012) [PDF, 0.2MB]
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## **DPRK: [Joint Communiqué, the 44<sup>th</sup> U.S.-ROK Security Consultative Meeting, U.S. Department of Defense \(24 October 2012\) \[PDF 41.3 KB\]](#)**

North Korea remains mostly impervious to external stimuli. South Korea and the US senior-most defense officials met in Washington. North Korea was a key discussion topic, and the first one after the opening bromides. South Korea will not join the U.S. missile shield. South Korea stopped analog broadcasts which “bled” into North Korea, meaning only a finitely small number of North Koreans can covertly receive South Korean soft power.

- [South Korea not joining U.S. antimissile program: Defense Ministry](#), Nuclear Threat Initiative (29 October 2012)
  - [Window closes as analog TV stops](#), Lee Sang-yong, DailyNK (29 October 2012)
  - [Policy Forum 11-38: North Korea’s digital transformation: implications for North Korea policy](#), Hayes, Peter, Scott Bruce and Dyana Mardon, Nautilus Institute (8 November 2012)
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## **BLOG: [Reformer Flame: Neutralized Moth. Why did Kim Han-sol do a TV interview?](#)**

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## **ENERGY SECURITY: [Environment ministers pour cold water on 'hot air' proposal](#), Arthur Nelsen, Euractiv.com (29 October 2012)**

With 49 months to tackle climate change, professional criers get busy at every chance. The Poles succeeded in limiting the supply of 1990 'hot air' beyond 2012. So [Jeremy Leggett](#) promptly cries this "carbon bubble" is a "real risk for markets", i.e., a risk created and sustained by people like himself. Then Hurricane Sandy gets a cry on cue from [Al Gore](#); ditto Bill McKibben, saying this is yet another "wake-up call". The bloggers at the [New Yorker](#) and [Huffington Post](#) make usual noises about a conspiracy of silence. Nobody is taking bets that next week's US elections would change anything.

- [Bill McKibben on Hurricane Sandy and climate change: "If there Was Ever a Wake-up Call, This Is](#)
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[It](#)", Democracy Now (29th October 2012)

- [Link between cyclones, climate change unclear](#), Clair Snegaroff and Richard Ingham, Phys.org (31 October 2012)
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## **GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [South Korea activists send leaflets to North](#), BBC (29 October 2012)**

ROK activists sent 50,000 leaflets in balloons to the DPRK, despite DPRK retaliation threats, ROK police blockades and local residents' attempts to prevent the launch amid concerns the DPRK would follow through on its threats. Three ROK military officers were removed after a DPRK soldier crossed the DMZ undetected. Some groups are calling for a move past traditional ideas of "conservative" and "progressive" when it comes to DPRK approaches and solutions.

- [South Korea prepares to evacuate DMZ citizens as North threatens](#), Sangwon Yoon, Bloomberg (22 October 2012)
  - [South Korean defense minister apologizes for border lapse](#), Agence France Presse (15 October 2012)
  - [Beyond North Korea human rights, part 2: Conservative and Progressive](#), Kyunghyang Shinmun (31 October 2012) [Korean language]
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## **CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: [Living with floods: A grassroots analysis of the causes and impacts of typhoon Mirinae](#), Michael DiGregorio and Huynh Cao Van, Institute for Social and Environmental Transition-ISET (July 2012) [20.2 MB, PDF]**

On November 2, 2009, typhoon Mirinae slammed into the coast of central Vietnam killing 122 people and causing \$280 million in damage to property. The following questions were raised: Has climate change begun to produce storms that have exceeded the capacity of the people living in the flood prone deltas of central Vietnam to prepare for and respond to them? Or have other factors within the landscape changed to such a degree that established practices are no longer adequate?

- [Vietnam: Typhoon Mirinae, information bulletin](#), International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (6 November 2009) [1.53 MB, PDF]
  - [Disaster Risk Management \(DRM\) Progress - Vietnam](#) (2012) [169 KB, PDF]
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## **AUSTRAL PEACE AND SECURITY: [Principles of Pax Pacifica: building the East Asia security order](#), Kevin Rudd, keynote address to the Singapore Global Dialogue, Shangri-la Hotel, Singapore (21 September 2012)**

In this age of globalisation, many find it extraordinary that we could even be having a conversation about the possibility of future conflict in Asia. We believe that the formidable security challenges we face can be more effectively managed by creatively applying the positive principles of common

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security - a Pax Pacifica in which we consciously build the habits, customs and norms of security and strategic cooperation from the ground up.

- [U.S. learns hard lessons of the Asian 'pivot'](#), Peter Lee, Asia Times (27 October 2012)
  - [Stability and instability in Sino-US relations: a response to Yan Xuetong's superficial friendship theory](#), Alastair Iain Johnston, Chinese Journal of International Politics, Vol. 4, (2011)
  - [A US-China 'shadow condominium'?](#) Brendan Taylor, The Strategist (25 October 2012)
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