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DETERRENCE: [How the Army Should Pivot to Asia](#), John Deni, The Diplomat, June 12, 2014

65000 US Army troops from Alaska/Hawaii/Washington plus 22000 in ROK/Japan support US Army Pacific influence on Asian armies, inter-operability, and deterrence. Short rotations are far more costly than long rotations from home, or permanent forward basing. The Army could reduce troops in ROK/Japan and increase long-term rotations to Australia and the Philippines.

- [The Future of American Landpower: Does Forward Presence Still Matter? The Case of the Army in the Pacific](#), John Deni, Strategic Studies Institute, June 3, 2014 [PDF, 3.1MB]
 - [Bases for America's Asia-Pacific Rebalance](#), Carnes Lord, Andrew Erickson, Part 1, The Diplomat, May 2, 2014; [Bases for America's Asia-Pacific Rebalance](#), Part 2, The Diplomat, May 6, 2014
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GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY: [Japanese Report on the Kono Statement Draws Ire from Seoul, Beijing, Shannon Tiezzi, The Diplomat \(24 June 2014\)](#)

Japan's report looking into the origins of the 1993 Kono Statement has drawn criticism from the ROK and China for suggesting that the statement was strongly influenced by the ROK and not based solely on historical evidence. The report is also raising debate in Japan, although the Abe administration insists the statement will not be revised.

- [Panel concludes Japan, S. Korea coordinated wording of Kono statement](#), Asahi Shimbun (21 June 2014)
 - [Japan's Kono report stirs domestic debate in Japan](#), Gil Yun-hyung, Hankyoreh (23 June 2014)
 - [Seoul summons Japanese envoy over review of sex slave apology](#), Yonhap News (23 June 2014)
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CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION: [Location Security and Environmental-Induced Displacement: A Case Study of the Riverine Islands in Bangladesh](#), Brad K. Blitz, vol. 29, no. 2, *Refuge* (2014) [174 KB, PDF]

There is a diverse body of relevant writing on the themes of location and human security, vulnerability, migration, and climate change. Much of it concentrates on recent policy developments and bears the marks of different disciplinary and sectoral approaches. While the term 'location security' does not feature in this body of writing, it is inferred in wider studies of human security that have sought to connect research on livelihoods and capabilities into a multi-sectoral development framework.

- [Are We Missing the Point? Global Environmental Change as an Issue of Human Security](#), Editorial, *Global Environmental Change*, vol. 16, pp. 1-3 (2006) [130 KB, PDF]
 - [Climate Change, Human Security and Violent Conflict: Challenges for Societal Stability](#), Scheffran, J., Brzoska, M., AFES-PRESS, H.G., Link, P.M., Schilling, J. (Eds.), 868 p., (2012) [subscription required]
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ENERGY SECURITY: [Obama on Obama on Climate](#), Opinion, Tom Friedman, New York Times (7 June 2014)

Opinion makers line up. After decades of getting government out of the business of fixing prices, some want it to "put a price on carbon". No one can tell how and by how much, or why just that; "do-anything-ism" is the cult credo. Carbon emissions are in the form of many GHGs - some not recognized by the Kyoto Protocol and black carbon not even by FCCC. Measurement and accounting of carbon is subject to arbitrary control, emissions are both natural and manmade (is human breathing manmade?), and atmospheric retention rates uncertain. Science is not science any more.

- [Showtime: Years of living dangerously](#), Interview with Barack Obama
 - ['Science is science': Obama embraces price on carbon, leaving fossil fuels in the ground](#), Joe Romm, ClimateProgress blog, ThinkProgress (8 June 2014)
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AUSTRAL PEACE AND SECURITY: [Australia-US Defence Deal: What it Means](#), James Brown, The Interpreter (13 June 2014)

The alliance path to regional militarisation: a new US-Australian Force Posture Agreement provides for more US marines, fighter and bomber aircraft, navy ships, nuclear submarines, and pre-positioned supplies in Australia. Space warfare and missile defence collaboration will deepen, and marines are to protect US LNG tankers exporting from Australia. Meanwhile Prabowo Subianto is now a serious chance for Indonesian president, giving the US a more serious Modi-style visa problem.

- [US Marines linked to Australian energy security](#), Associated Press, Washington Post (18 June 2014)
- [Indonesia on the knife's edge](#), Edward Aspinall, Inside Story, 17 June 2014
- [U.S. envoy calls for probe of Indonesian candidate Subianto's record](#), Richard C. Paddock, Wall Street Journal (22 June 2014)

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