

Nuclear Posture Reviews

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The debate that followed the Bush administrations Nuclear Posture Review (NPR) in late-2001 and early-2002 has highlighted a need for information about how the review compares to the previous NPR conducted by the Clinton administration in 1994. What is new and what is a continuation of efforts from the 1990s?

A comparison was difficult during the debate because the 1994 NPR failed to produce a final report that could be used for comparison. Documents recently declassified and released under the Freedom of Information Act, however, now provide new information which -- together with various other material -- provide some basis for comparison.

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FOIA documents

- >> 1994 NPR general documents
- >> 1994 NPR Working Group 5 documents: Relationships between nuclear posture and counterproliferation policy.

See also 2001 NPR documents

- >> Leaked excerpts from 2001 NPR to Congress.
- >> Pentagon NPR Briefing, January 9, 2002. [pdf format]
- >> Background slides to NPR briefing. [pdf format]

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