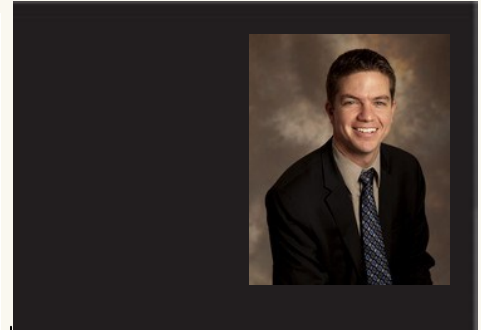
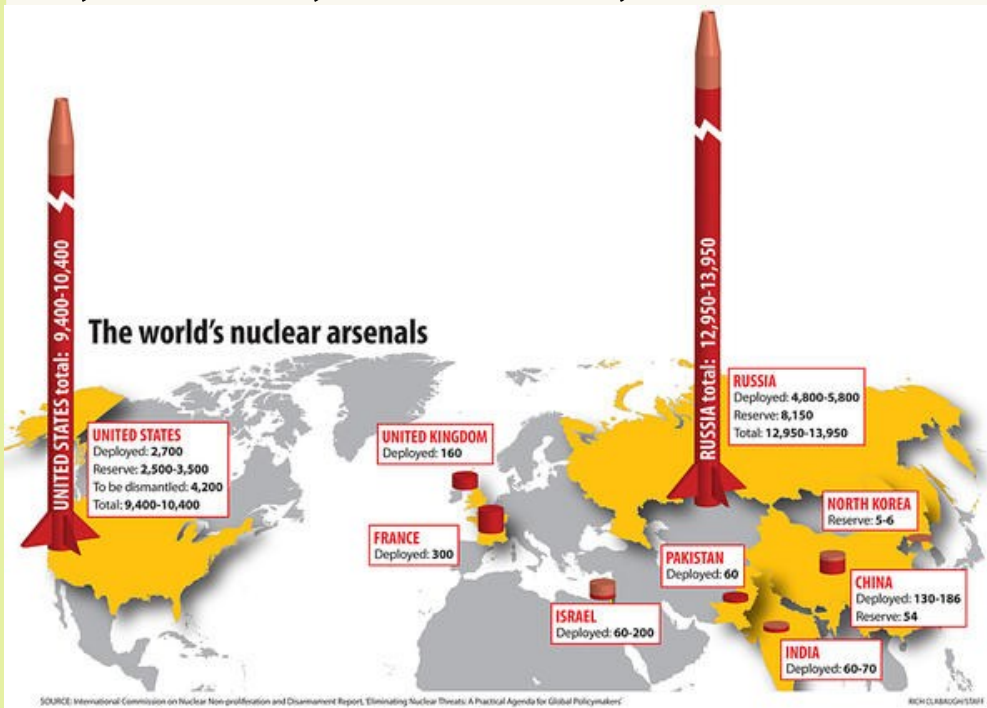


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“Nuclear-Weapons Programs and the Security Dilemma”

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A rich literature has considered the security implications of the acquisition of nuclear weapons, but less is known about the implications of the mere seeking of nuclear weapons. This talk addresses how nuclear-weapons programs are a source of instability and cause of international crises, while the attainment of nuclear weapons tends to be a source of stability. Policy applications are discussed with regard to the so-called nuclear renaissance that involves the potential spread and expansion of civilian nuclear energy programs.

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