## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**



Given the specter of more emerging nuclear powers, how and where should the U.S. focus its missile defense capability?

- 1. In the past have any new weapons technologies been nullified by new anti-weapons systems?
- 2. Does deterrence or an international treaty better curb the dangers of lethal weapons?
- 3. Are missile defense systems ever viable over the long run?
- 4. Do missile defense systems encourage first-strike capabilities and increase the dangers of accidents?
- 5. Does missile defense lead to a Maginot Line mentality of passive defense?

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