DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR EDUCATORS AND POLICY MAKERS



What exactly are the strategic aims that North Korea hopes to achieve by the possession of a few deployable nuclear weapons?

1. How many nuclear weapons does North Korea have, and to whom and to what degree do they represent an existential threat?

2. What are China's strategic interests in promoting either aggressive or moderate North Korean behavior?

3. Will the nuclear *status quo* of Pacific regional powers—China, North Korea, Japan, Taiwan, South Korea, and the Philippines—change in the next decade? If so, why?

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