



# National Counterproliferation Center

## Office of the Director of National Intelligence



**THE POSSIBLE LAUNCH OF A THIRD NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR TEST DEVICE.**

**FOILED ATTEMPTS BY NUCLEAR SMUGGLERS IN MOLDOVA TO SELL 1.8 KILOGRAMS OF URANIUM-238.**

**IRAN THROWING THE POWER SWITCH AT ITS FIRST URANIUM ENRICHMENT NUCLEAR FACILITY.**

### Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction: Career Opportunities

Stories like these, detailing the exploits of nuclear smuggling rings, international spymasters, the political blustering and posturing of a megalomaniacal head of a failed state are filled with nail-biting drama. This kind of intrigue is the stuff of this summer's hottest new beach read, right? Unfortunately not. On any given day, this is what you'll read when perusing the headlines from any news publication from around the world.

The problem of proliferation—the global spread of materials and systems capable of delivering a weapons of mass destruction (WMD) attack—continues to be the highest priority national security threat facing the U.S. today and for the foreseeable future. Enemies of the U.S. have proven time and again that they will go to any lengths to harm Americans both at home and abroad. Thus far those attacks have included both conventional and limited

asymmetric weaponry and warfare. It is clear based on intelligence gathering and the stated intentions of rogue regimes and terrorist groups, however, that those enemies are actively pursuing weapons of mass destruction and associated missile delivery systems and will seek to deploy such capabilities whenever or wherever possible against U.S. and allied targets.

So—now that the alarm is sounded—let's talk about the good news, that is, how the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) is taking action to defeat proliferators. This is called **counterproliferation**.

To address the types of threats posed to the United States by WMD, the National Counterproliferation Center (NCPC) was founded in November 2005 as part of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI). Its mandate is to partner with other agencies in the IC, other government agencies, the policy community, and experts in the private sector and academia to counter the threats presented by the





AQ Khan



Mahmoud Ahmadinejad



Osama Bin Laden



Kim Jong-il

The key to everything that the NCPC does is **partnership**. It's necessary to have a diverse set of people and agencies examining an issue from the vantage points of their respective disciplines, while at the same time leveraging the strengths of all players on the team. This approach ensures the whole picture is viewed through a common lens so that the intelligence community can help the United States attain the vision of a WMD-free future for our children.

### Interested in Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction?

Jobs in CP include: analyst, targeting officer, collection specialist, linguist, technical specialist, operations officer and research and development.

Career opportunities exist in the Washington D.C. area, throughout the United States and abroad. Employment opportunities range from entry level positions to senior executives. Career development benefits include travel, training, cross-agency assignments, and awards and recognition.

continued proliferation and possible use of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear weapons by all who would seek to do us harm. NCPC's IC partners are: Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Energy, Department of Homeland Security, Department of State, Department of the Treasury, Drug Enforcement Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, National Reconnaissance Office, National Security Agency/ Central Security Service, the United States Air Force, the United States Army, the United States Coast Guard, the United States Marine Corps, and the the United States Navy.



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