

Abstract
Nuclear Imperatives

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Nuclear energy has a vital role to play in our energy future. The threats of nuclear proliferation are acute, but limited. Solving them will require effective collective action, but we have succeeded in the past to induce states to give up nuclear weapons programs. The spread of civil nuclear energy programs does not inevitably lead to the proliferation of nuclear weapons programs. The Nonproliferation Treaty has been vital to international security, and its complex series of bargains has generally succeeded.