The end of the Cold War changed the world.
September 11, 2001 changed it again.

With some 20,000 nuclear weapons worldwide, many on hair-trigger alert, we cannot rely on old approaches and outdated thinking to meet today's threats to U.S. security.

Simply put, nuclear weapons are a liability in an increasingly dangerous world. Whether by accident or act of terror, just one nuclear bomb puts millions of lives at risk.

It's time for the United States to take a leadership role in making the world safer and strengthening national security.

That's why we are urging President Obama to take advantage of the opportunity presented by his administration's nuclear policy review to forge common-sense, forward-looking policies that will increase U.S. security and reduce the threat of nuclear catastrophe.

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