

WORD LIST-2 (APR 29, 2023)

1. **Washington Declaration** (noun) - Under the newly unveiled "Washington Declaration," the two countries (the U.S. & South Korea) have committed to engaging in deeper dialogue and information sharing efforts and announced the establishment of a nuclear consultative group to strengthen nuclear deterrence efforts on the Korean Peninsula.
2. **negotiations** (noun) – discussions, dialogue, talks, deliberation.
3. **deterrence** (noun) – the act of deterring/stopping someone from doing something.
4. **nuclear deterrence** (noun) – the strategic concept of deterrence aims to prevent war. It is the justification virtually every nuclear state uses for maintaining nuclear arsenals (weapons) to deter (& intimidate/threaten) an enemy from attacking it.
5. **peninsula** (noun) – an area of land almost surrounded by water (on three sides) and one side attached to the mainland.
6. **alliance** (noun) – association, union, partnership.
7. **American Pie** (noun) - "American Pie" is a song by American singer and songwriter Don McLean. Recorded and released in 1971 on the album of the same name. American Pie is about a nostalgia for youthful innocence, for McLean and America.
8. **seal** (verb) - secure, conclude, complete, establish.
9. **counterpart** (noun) – someone or something that has the same job or purpose as another; equivalent, equal, fellow.
10. **the likes of** (phrase) – someone/something considered as a type.
11. **pact** (noun) – agreement, treaty, protocol.
12. **label** (verb) – name, term, classify, categorize.
13. **strategic** (adjective) – (material resources) essential, key, vital, crucial (in fighting a war).
14. **deploy** (verb) – position, place, locate, situate.
15. **Nuclear Consultative Group (NCG)** (noun) - the establishment of a new Nuclear Consultative Group (NCG) between the U.S and South Korea is to strengthen extended deterrence, discuss nuclear and strategic planning, and manage the threat to the nonproliferation regime posed by North Korea.

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16. [potentially](#) (adverb) – possibly, likely, probably.
17. [hostile](#) (adjective) – attacking, combative, belligerent, confrontational.
18. [authority](#) (noun) – a person who is having power and control.
19. [carry out](#) (phrasal verb) – conduct, perform, implement, execute.
20. [eventuality](#) (noun) – a possible outcome, possibility.
21. [administration](#) (noun) – the government, the regime.
22. [step up](#) (phrasal verb) – increase, intensify; quicken, speed up, accelerate.
23. [nuclear-armed](#) (adjective) – equipped/furnished with nuclear weapons.
24. [submarine](#) (noun) – a warship submerged in the water.
25. [unlikely](#) (adjective) – doubtful, implausible, improbable, questionable.
26. [deployment](#) (noun) – the act of employing something (resources) into effective action.
27. [station](#) (verb) - deploy, position, place, locate.
28. [corroborate](#) (verb) – confirm, endorse, ratify, authenticate, validate, certify, justify; support, back, uphold, substantiate, vouch for.
29. [lent](#) past participle of [lend](#) (verb) - give, provide, impart, confer, grant.
30. [ally](#) (noun) – a country/state with an alliance with another one in which they promise to support each other militarily and to defend each other.
31. [result in](#) (phrasal verb) – cause, lead to, give rise to, bring on, bring about.
32. [regime](#) (noun) – government, system.
33. [context](#) (noun) – circumstances, conditions, situations, backdrop.
34. [vote of confidence](#) (noun) - a formal process in which people vote to show whether or not they support something.
35. [arsenal](#) (noun) – array, range, line-up, collection of something (resources; weaponry).
36. [notwithstanding](#) (preposition) – despite, in spite of, regardless of.
37. [short-lived](#) (adjective) - brief, short, short-term, temporary.

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38. detente (noun) – restoration of harmony, agreement, compromise/understanding.
39. summit (noun) – meeting, conference, conclave. (International meeting/conference of heads of state/government).
40. Pyongyang (proper noun) - Capital city of North Korea.
41. intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) (noun) – a ballistic missile with a range of over 5,500 km (3,400 miles). (ballistic missile means a missile, which is shot from the ground, takes a long distance to travel well outside the atmosphere and falls to the earth to explode on its target (due to the gravity)).
42. doctrine (noun) – principle, belief, rule.
43. pre-emptive (adjective) - preventative, deterrent, preventive, obstructive.
44. strike (noun) - attack.
45. iron-clad (adjective) – impossible to change/weaken.
46. treaty (noun) - agreement, settlement, accord, deal.
47. nuclear umbrella (noun) – a guarantee from a nuclear weapons country to a country that does not possess nuclear weapons for protection.
48. loath (adjective) – reluctant, unwilling, disinclined, hesitant, against, opposed, averse.
49. skirmish (noun) – fight, conflict, clash, confrontation.
50. endanger (verb) – risk, put at risk, imperil, jeopardize, threaten.
51. distant (adjective) – faraway, far off, far.
52. prospect (noun) – chances, possibilities, expectations, outlook, future.
53. way out (phrase) – solution.
54. stalemate (noun) – deadlock, impasse, standstill/stand-off.

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