Thank you, Chairman Menendez.

Thank you, Ambassador, for being here. I very much appreciate

your service and willingness to go into these difficult situations.

Could you tell us with regard to the WMD programs, what is the

current estimate of when North Korea would have a warheadmissile

combination that could strike the United States? And what

are the most effective means to prevent this from occurring or

slowing down progress in that area?

He was the director of our national laboratory at

Los Alamos.

I understand that, but I wanted you to just give

us a general answer as you did. I think various folks have talked

about a matter of months or even a year or so in those kinds of

situations. And I am sure that we will be getting briefings on that.

You know, a lot has been said about China’s great cyber wall

which blocks information critical of the Communist Party or policies

from the Chinese people. But my understanding is North

Korea has even a more robust restrictive policy in terms of the

Internet. And it seems to me that one of the things we are seeing

around the world, when you see democracy movements, is the

Internet playing a role, the people being connected, people turning

out in the streets as a result of that interconnectedness. And you

may have noticed recently—and I know the administration did not

bless this, but our former Governor, Governor Richardson, and

Google’s Eric Schmidt recently visited to try to, I think, promote

the idea of the Internet in North Korea.

And I was wondering should the United States be actively engaged

in helping to create access to the Internet in North Korea?

And do you believe that this is in the interest of the North Korean

people as well as other countries in the region?

Ambassador, back to the nuclear weapons, and

I think this one is much less in the classified area. Is getting North

Korea to dismantle its nuclear weapons still the goal of U.S. policy,

and under what conditions might North Korea give up its nuclear

weapons?

Thank you, Ambassador.