Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and welcome to the

witnesses.

Maybe I will ask Mr. DeTrani since he has not had a chance to

weigh in here much.

Secretary Kelly said in his prepared statement that the proposal

the United States presented was developed in close coordination

with the Republic of Korea and Japan. So it begs the question, why

not in close coordination with Russia and the PRC?

The meetings, of course, are being held in Beijing.

How important is China to our success here?

My experience in dealing with officials from the

PRC is that the top priority for them is cross-strait relations and

certainly the sale of arms to Taiwan. About the same time these

talks were going on, Condoleezza Rice was over there saying the

United States will continue to sell arms to Taiwan. As you look at

our efforts to denuclearize North Korea, to have this dynamic injected—

and you just said that China is key. So by virtue of that

word, we are not going to have success without their cooperation.

At the same time, we are kind of battling over this issue. But I will

ask Mr. DeTrani. I would like to have you answer.

I myself just think it is hard to believe that

knowing how strongly they feel about this, that it is not a factor.

At the same time we are asking for their cooperation, we are not

listening to them on this issue. But you have a different point of

view and I respect that.

On the sale of arms to Taiwan?

Well, thank you. I will switch gears a little bit.

You said that we are going to, in return for the denuclearization,

do three things: provide for some multilateral security assurances,

begin a study to determine the energy requirements and to meet

them by non-nuclear energy programs, and begin discussions of

steps to lift the economic sanctions. In the middle of those three,

what specifically can we talk to them about on their energy needs?

Help them build dams? Get natural gas from Russia? What specifically

non-nuclear energy can we offer them?

Mr. DeTrani, have we gotten far enough to

think about what specifically we could help them with in their nonnuclear

energy needs?