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**Subject: Grand Strategy: The Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. Data, Analysis, Maximum Velocity**

Dr. Fischhoff and Colleagues:

**Maximum Velocity**

President Obama is an activist and visionary President. One of his public commitments in his speech at the United Nations was to eliminate nuclear weapons, worldwide. What data systems and analysis/analytic staffs will he need to achieve this result with maximum velocity?

The question builds upon an important (and exciting!) conclusion in Global 2025: Leadership will be the key ingredient to shape the global future. (This is exciting because, throughout most of history, even the most committed leader probably could do very little.)

- This also could be an ideal time for President Obama to be sending a team onto the court. The global economic recession is a good context for a "swords into ploughshares" agenda, beginning with reducing the sales of conventional arms, with regional security and arms control and nuclear disarmament as part of the package.

**A Prototype for President Obama's Other Needs**

Your chapter, taking Grand Strategy: The Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, as a social science project, also can be a useful prototype for designing new DNI, leadership-supporting, data systems and analysis capacities across a wide range of the Obama Administration's goals.

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