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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

US IC and North Korea's Nuclear Test

With respect to the North Korea detonation, the US IC's confidence level was not high.

We were told on Friday at lunch by Negroponte, Hayden, Burgess, Shedd and the group that, with respect to the probable North Korean nuclear test, we would know what took place -- with certainty. That apparently reflected a confidence level that misunderstood the fact that we never did fully figure out India's nuclear test, and it took a long time on the Pakistani's test.

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