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Good Morning All,

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Take care and have a super day,

Zhi

1. First VIRGINIA Class Submarine Keel Laying Ceremony To Be Held

A keel laying ceremony for the lead ship in the Navy's new attack submarine class will be held Thursday, Sept. 2 at noon EDT. The ceremony for VIRGINIA (SSN 774) will be hosted by Electric Boat at their Quonset Point Facility in North Kingstown, R.I.

Sen. John W. Warner, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, will inscribe his initials on the keel of the submarine, which is named for his home state, and will serve as the principal speaker. Navy Adm. Frank L. Bowman, director of Naval Nuclear Propulsion, will deliver remarks and introduce Warner. This is the sixth ship of the U.S. Navy to carry the name Virginia which started with the original USS VIRGINIA in 1777.

The Navy's next-generation attack submarine, the VIRGINIA class, will provide the U.S. Navy with the capability required to maintain the nation's undersea supremacy well into the 21st century. VIRGINIA will have improved stealthiness, sophisticated surveillance capabilities and special warfare enhancements which will enable it to meet the Navy's multi-mission requirements.

will be able to attack targets ashore with highly accurate Tomahawk cruise missiles and conduct covert long-term surveillance of land areas, littoral waters and other sea forces. Other missions VIRGINIA will conduct include anti-submarine and anti-ship warfare, special forces delivery and support, and mine delivery and minefield mapping.

With enhanced communications connectivity, VIRGINIA also will provide important battle group and joint task force support, with full integration into carrier battle group operations.

The VIRGINIA class attack submarines surpass the performance of any current or projected threat submarine, ensuring United States undersea dominance well into the next century.

2. DOE Workers Asked To Report Affairs (AP, 1 Sept 1999)

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - The U.S. Department of Energy is asking its employees to kiss and tell. A notice sent out last month requires 67,000 workers cleared to handle defense secrets to tell counterintelligence officers about any romantic or sexual liaisons with people from countries thought to be developing nuclear weapons. Those countries include all former Soviet republics, China, Israel, India, North Korea, Cuba and Taiwan. Employees also are expected to report friendships or professional relationships with any foreign national if they spend "private time" together -- even on the Internet -- or if either one shares information about their personal or professional lives. Foreign intelligence agencies sometimes use young women to tease secrets from American scientists during pillow talk or other romantic liaisons, said Ed Curran, counterintelligence chief for the Energy Department. ZGram Suggested URL:
<<<http://library.northernlight.com/ED19990901810000018.html?cb=0&dx=1006&sc=0#doc>>

3. Spy Scandal Puts Uncomfortable Focus On Chinese-American Scientists (Inside China Today, 1 Sept 1999)

Chinese-American scientists are the butt of jokes and under a cloud of distrust and suspicion at work ever since a peer was publicly linked to a spying scandal, the head of a physics association said on Tuesday. Cheuk-Yin Wong, chairman of the Overseas Chinese Physics Association, blamed a congressional report on Chinese spying for creating an atmosphere of distrust for scientists of Chinese heritage. The group has about 400 members including Wen Ho Lee, the physicist linked to the spying scandal. Chinese-American scientists doing classified work in weapons labs and the defense industry "find their loyalty being severely questioned. They have been subject to distressful jokes and innuendoes," Wong said.

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<<<http://www.insidechina.com/features.php3?id=89031>>

4. Lawmakers Fear Nuke Secrets Slipping (AP, 25 Aug 1999)

WASHINGTON - To shine light on America's secret past, government record keepers have worked the past three years to declassify 600 million pages of documents -- some as thin as onion skin, others yellow with

age. Now, because Washington fears that nuclear weapons information has slipped inadvertently from the government's attic, the bleary-eyed declassifiers might have to do it again. Legislation headed for approval in Congress would require all these documents to be re-examined to make sure they don't contain sensitive details about the U.S. nuclear arsenal.

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<<<http://library.northernlight.com/EA19990825250000023.html?cb=0&dx=1006&sc=0#doc>>

5. Cubans arrested in suspected Costa Rican drug ring (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica - Costa Rican police on Wednesday arrested six Cubans and one Costa Rican suspected of smuggling cocaine into Miami and laundering the profits in Costa Rica, but six other suspects got away, authorities said. Federal agents holding a press conference showed off \$760,000 in cash the suspects had hidden inside a seat cushion in a house searched by police.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3766.html>

6. Panama's First Female President Takes Power (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

PANAMA CITY - Mireya Moscoso was sworn in Wednesday as the first female president of Panama, four months before the tiny Central American nation takes control of one of the world's most important waterways, the Panama Canal.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3700.html>

7. Kosovo's Unofficial Parliament Holds First Postwar Session (Central Europe Online, 1 Sept 1999)

PRISTINA -- Kosovo's unofficially elected parliament met on Tuesday for the first time since NATO bombing drove Serb forces from the province.

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<u><color><param>0000,0000,00FF</param><http://www.centraleurope.com/news.php3?id=89039&text>

</color></u>8. Australian CARE workers jailed for spying are freed (AP, 1 Sept 1999)

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia - Two Australian CARE workers convicted of spying

during the NATO bombing campaign against Yugoslavia were released Wednesday after receiving pardons from President Slobodan Milosevic.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/ap19990901_1264.html>

9. Secret Service Clears Czech PM Of Financial Allegations (1 Sept 1999)

PRAGUE -- The Czech secret service (BIS) has cleared Prime Minister Milos Zeman and his Social Democratic Party (CSSD) of corruption allegations in a 1998 party finance scandal, President Vaclav Havel's office said on Tuesday.

<http://www.centraleurope.com/news.php3?id=89041&text>

10. Czech Regulators Rule Against CME In TV Nova Dispute (Central Europe Online, 1 Sept 1999)

PRAGUE -- The Czech Broadcasting Council on Tuesday rejected requests by a unit of U.S.-owned Central European Media Enterprises (CME) which is seeking to salvage its once-lucrative operations at Czech nationwide station TV Nova.

<http://www.centraleurope.com/news.php3?id=89205&text>

11. Polish premier sacks deputy over secrecy charges (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

WARSAW - Polish Prime Minister Jerzy Buzek announced on Wednesday he was dismissing deputy premier and interior minister Janusz Tomaszewski for failing to put to rest press accusations that he collaborated with communist-era secret police.

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<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3626.html>

12. Geneva Blocks Accounts In Russia Laundering Probe (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

GENEVA -- A Geneva investigating magistrate said on Tuesday he had blocked bank accounts as part of an inquiry into money-laundering allegations linked to Swiss-based construction firm Mabetex, which renovated Kremlin buildings.

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<u><color><param>0000,0000,00FF</param><http://www.russiatoday.com/news.php3?id=89081&html></color></u>

</color></underline>13. Nuclear Test Anniversary Prompts Debate On Future (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

Russian scientists, officials and ordinary citizens have just marked the 50th anniversary of the country's first test of a nuclear device. On the eve of last Sunday's anniversary, President Boris Yeltsin released a statement praising scientists, engineers, workers and soldiers for their "selfless labors" to lay a powerful basis for Russia's nuclear force. Official celebrations included discussions at Russia's Federal Nuclear Center at Sarov, or Arzamas-16. This is one of the places where, under complete secrecy and the oversight of former secret service chief Lavrentii Beria, the original work on the bomb was carried out.

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<<<http://www.russiatoday.com/features.php3?id=89200>>

14. Bomb Injures 41 In Moscow Shopping Arcade (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

MOSCOW -- Russia tightened security and launched an inquiry into a bomb attack which injured 41 people, including several children, in a showplace Moscow shopping centre next door to the Kremlin.

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<<<http://www.russiatoday.com/news.php3?id=89055&html>>

15. Young Belarus Opposition Leaders Say Will Unite (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

MINSK -- Younger members of parties opposed to the rule of Belarussian President Alexander Lukashenko said on Tuesday they were uniting and taking control of opposition movements from divided, older opposition leaders.

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<<<http://www.russiatoday.com/news.php3?id=89118&html>>

16. Ukrainian Politicians Unite In Support Of President (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

KIEV -- Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma's chances of winning a second term in office received a boost on Tuesday when a coalition of centrist and right-leaning parties gave him its backing.

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<underline><color><param>0000,0000,00FF</param><http://www.russiatoday.com/news.php3?id=89113&html>

</color></underline>17. Israeli-Palestinian talks put off, no deal yet

(Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

JERUSALEM - Israel said early Thursday that no agreement had yet been reached with the Palestinians on implementation of a new Wye River accord and that negotiators would not meet overnight.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3570.html>

18. Israel says deal hangs on Palestinians (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

JERUSALEM - Israel said Thursday it was waiting for the Palestinians to accept its proposals to relaunch the stalled Wye River land-for-security accord and no more talks would be held until the response came. The statement by Prime Minister Ehud Barak's spokesman David Ziso prompted an angry Palestinian reaction. "I don't know what they are talking about. I don't think they know what they're talking about," chief Palestinian spokesman Saeb Erekat said.

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<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3464.html>

19. Two militiamen, two civilians killed in South Lebanon (AP, 1 Sept 1999)

MARJAYOUN, Lebanon - Israel shelled villages in southern Lebanon on Wednesday, killing two civilians, after a guerrilla's bomb killed two Israeli-allied militiamen, security officials said. Israeli warplanes also bombed suspected guerrilla hideouts in southeastern Lebanon, the Lebanese security officials said. There was no immediate report of casualties.

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<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/ap19990901_1445.html>

20. Uzbek Militants' Presence Causes Concern (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

Uzbekistan says it meant to target a Kyrgyz village which armed Uzbek rebels overtook last week. But the bombs missed their mark. The rebels are believed to have seized some 100 hostages in southern Kyrgyzstan, including four Japanese geologists. Shirin Akiner, Associate Fellow at the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London, spoke by telephone yesterday with RFE/RL. She says the incident highlights uncertainty surrounding how regional governments are dealing with the Uzbek militants, who are believed to number more than 500.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<<http://www.russiatoday.com/features.php3?id=89206>>

21. Kazakhstan Ends Russia Proton Rocket Ban (Russia Today, 1 Sept 1999)

MOSCOW -- Kazakhstan on Tuesday lifted a ban on launches of Russian Proton rockets after Moscow paid compensation for a recent crash of one of the boosters, Interfax news agency reported.

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22. Thousands in anti-Sharif march in Pakistan (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

LAHORE, Pakistan - Tens of thousands of opposition followers marched in central Lahore Wednesday, calling on Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to step down. In the first of three protests, traditional opposition parties and hard-line Islamic groups joined forces in one of the biggest demonstrations since Sharif's election in 1997.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3289.html>

23. Lee Moving Taiwan Toward "The Abyss Of War," China Says (Inside China Today, 1 Sept 1999)

BEIJING -- China slammed Taiwan's ruling Nationalist Party on Tuesday for its decision to put President Lee Teng-hui's statehood call in a party document, saying it would "push Taiwan's people one step closer to the abyss of war".

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<<http://www.insidechina.com/news.php3?id=89071&html>>

24. Russia To Sell China Nuclear-Powered Submarines (Inside China Today, 1 Sept 1999)

HONG KONG -- China has reached agreement with Russia to buy two nuclear-powered submarines to deter any U.S. presence in the Taiwan Strait as relations between Beijing and Taipei worsen, a report said Wednesday.

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<underline><color><param>0000,0000,00FF</param><http://www.insidechina.com/news.php3?id=89150&html>

</color></underline>25. The Theory and Practice of Stealthy Hacker Attacks (Netsurfer Digest, Vol 5 #27)

This well written piece lays out the extremely sophisticated methods used by actual hackers to penetrate sites. The author works for a

security company and uses honey pots, systems placed on the network specifically to attract cracking attempts, in a systematic study of attacks The document bluntly and chillingly implies that any determined and sophisticated hacker *will* penetrate your network and you'll never know it. Jot this down as required reading for all site owners, particularly any who think their site is secure. Forget the common security monitoring tools and firewalls. They might keep out script kiddies, but they're useless against the professional methods outlined here.

ZGram Suggested URL:

<<http://www.securityfocus.com/templates/forum_message.html?forum=2&head=168&id=168>

Visit the Netsurfer Digest Home Page at <<<http://www.netsurf.com/nsd/>>

26. Dissident Says Internet Becoming Weapon Of Choice (Inside China Today, 1 Sept 1999)

PARIS -- The internet has become a new weapon in the protest war against the Chinese government, a leading Chinese dissident-in-exile said Tuesday.

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<u><color><param>0000,0000,00FF</param><http://www.insidechina.com/news.php3?id=89096&html>

</color></u>27. Web Visitors Concentrating on Fewer Sites (Netsurfer Digest, Vol 5 #27)

An article in the LA Times told where visitors are going on the Web. Last year, 27% of Web visitors visited the top 50 sites; this year that figure climbed to 35%. The big sites are attracting a progressively larger chunk of the Web audience. The article played up the declining diversity, arguing surfers skip over the alternative Web sites in favor of the big mainstream portals. The newspaper used Media Metrix as a source of statistics. Media Metrix regularly releases stats on numbers of visitors to the top 50 Web sites.

LA Times: <<<http://www.latimes.com/HOME/BUSINESS/t000075103.html>>

Media Metrix:

<<<http://www.mediametrix.com/PressRoom/PressReleases.html>>

Visit the Netsurfer Digest Home Page at <http://www.netsurf.com/nsd/>

28. Anti-NATO cyber blitz traced to China US general (Reuters, 1 Sept 1999)

WASHINGTON - Hackers with Chinese Internet addresses mounted a cyber

blitz against U.S. and allied forces after NATO bombed Beijing's embassy in Belgrade in May, a top U.S. Air Force officer said on Wednesday. Lt. Gen. William Donahue, commander of the Air Force communications and information centre at the Pentagon, said hackers "came at us daily, hellbent on taking down NATO networks."

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<<http://www.abcnews.go.com/wire/World/reuters19990901_3440.html>

29. Employment Opportunities

ATL International, Inc., a government technical consulting firm, is seeking

candidates to support the Department of Energy in the area of personnel

security and related administrative support. Duty station will be in

Germantown, MD. Qualified applicants must hold a Top Secret or "Q" security

clearance, or be eligible for reinstatement of such a clearance. Two years

of directly relevant experience may be substituted in lieu of one year

education. Specific openings and related qualifications follow:

SENIOR PERSONNEL SECURITY SPECIALIST: Bachelor Degree and ten years

experience in a personnel security related field, five years in a security

investigations program. Must demonstrate expert knowledge in all phases of a

personnel security program with emphasis on the review and analysis of

derogatory information as it relates to national security concerns, and

recent experience in administrative review (due process).

PERSONNEL SECURITY SPECIALIST: Bachelor degree; five years experience in a

personnel security related field. Must demonstrate expert knowledge in all

phases of a personnel security program with emphasis on the review and analysis of derogatory information as it relates to national security concerns.

SECURITY ASSISTANT: Associate degree or four years experience in a security related field. Six months experience in personnel security operations.

SECURITY ASSISTANT/TRANSCRIPTIONIST: Associate degree or four years experience in a security related field, and certified ability in current transcription techniques. Six months experience in personnel security operations, with demonstrated proficiency to operate state-of-the-art transcription software to produce on-site transcription on an "as needed" basis.

SECURITY ASSISTANT: High school diploma or equivalent. Demonstrated experience in maintaining, retrieving, duplicating, and filing data in personnel security files. Applicant must have the ability to prepare and transmit correspondence accurately.

SECURITY TECHNICIAN: High school diploma or equivalent and some course work at the undergraduate level. Six months experience in personnel security related operations may be substituted for the college level coursework. Four years experience working in personnel security related operations.

COMPUTER SPECIALIST: Bachelor degree in Computer Science or eight years experience in ADP in a security related program. Six months experience

as an

ADP operator in a personnel security program.

ATL offers competitive salaries and excellent benefits. Send resume with

cover letter via email to jhwang@atlintl.com or fax to 301.972.6904.

30. Cleared Transcription Services Needed

If anyone can recommend cleared transcribers, please email Calvin Wood at CalWood@DefensiveStrategies.com

31. Cleared Psychologists Needed

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Automated Records Management System
[EMAIL] and Tape Restoration Project [Email]**

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