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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of Congress

SUBJECT: **Surge in Cyberattacks Targets Swedish Infrastructure.**

The U.S. intelligence community has detected a significant increase in cyberattacks targeting Swedish critical infrastructure, including power grids, telecommunications, and government servers. Initial assessments attribute these attacks to North Korean state-sponsored actors, though the motive remains unclear. The disruptions have caused widespread outages and heightened public concern in Sweden, a key NATO member

Swedish authorities report that the cyberattacks coincide with unusual Russian naval activity in the Baltic Sea near Kaliningrad. With the increase in aerial intercepts in recent weeks near Swedish airspace and surrounding NATO countries suspicion have been raised in respect of coordinated action. Russia has denied all military action, claiming, instead, all actions are commercial as it continues to assess and determine the viability of repairing the Nord Stream pipeline.

Russia has publicly announced its determination to repair and reestablish the Nord Stream pipeline, currently inoperable, to potentially resume energy exports to Europe. It has increased its commercial activity around the offshore waters near Sweden.

Further updates will follow as the situation develops.