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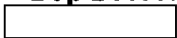
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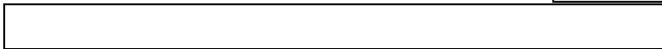
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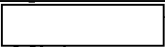


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**Nuclear Test**

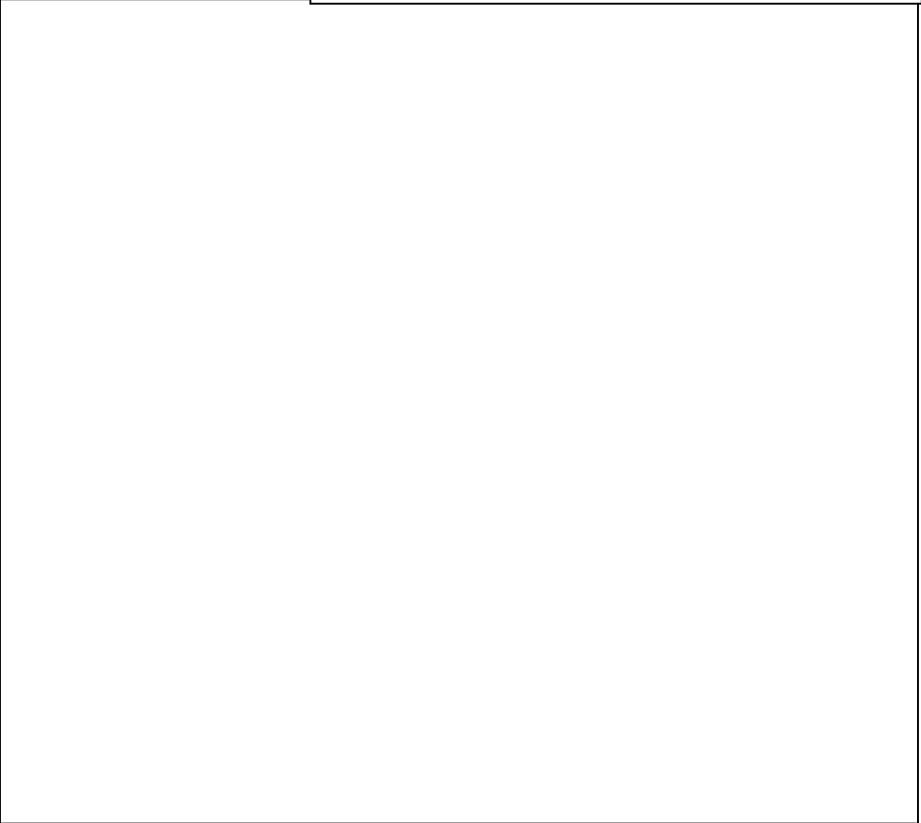
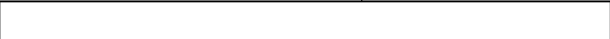


China is continuing



to conduct two nuclear tests despite an official Foreign

Ministry statement last month that it would conduct only one more before exercising a moratorium.



*China might claim that it was forced to conduct a second test because the US has been unwilling to provide assistance Beijing has requested to help it maintain the reliability of its stockpile.*

