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IS IT POSSIBLE TO REDUCE THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR TERRORISM?

**SCHOLARS EXPLORE THIS QUESTION IN THE SEPTEMBER VOLUME OF SAGE'S
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Thousand Oaks, California, London, United Kingdom, New Delhi, India - (August 30, 2006) –Nuclear terrorism is the gravest international security challenge today. Is the United States prepared to cope with this very real threat? Is nuclear terrorism preventable? What steps has the U.S. already taken to avoid this catastrophe and what steps should be taken in the future?

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This special volume of *The ANNALS* clarifies and assesses the possibility of a nuclear terrorist attack by taking a comprehensive historical look at this threat over time, while examining and proposing solutions for preventing such a catastrophic event.

"The authors devoutly hope for a future when world leaders recognize this grave danger, taking the actions necessary to defeat it," commented issue editor Graham Allison. "On current trendlines, however, the likelihood of failure is greater than that of success. We hope to remind the world just how horrible nuclear anarchy would be."

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