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Preface to the Abbreviated Version

This is an abbreviated version of the National Academies' report on augmenting DOE's security systems at sites in the nuclear weapons complex, and particularly on the applicability of risk assessment concepts for this augmentation. The full report is entitled *Understanding and Managing Risk in the DOE Nuclear Weapons Complex*. The full version of that report, which is exempt from public release under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2), was issued in November 2010.

Chris Whipple, Chair

Preface

This study was requested by the Senate Appropriations Committee in response to what that committee saw as unsustainable rates of increase in the cost of security at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). In current-year dollars, security costs have increased from \$550 million in 2002 to around \$930 million in 2010. For decades, DOE has been setting its security requirements based on a design basis threat (DBT). Under such an approach, DOE headquarters specifies characteristics of an attacking force, and, using field exercises and combat simulation software, its facilities determine the defensive resources needed to successfully repel the threat. Over the past decade, this approach has led to the significant cost increases noted above. The DBT is now being replaced with an approach called the Graded Security Protection Policy.

The specific question that the authoring committee of this report (the study committee) was asked to address is whether risk-based approaches, including probabilistic risk assessment, could be used to improve DOE's methods for determining its security posture and requirements. As described in this report, the study committee judges that the conceptual approaches used in risk assessments for contexts other than security can provide a helpful framework for DOE security. However, the committee could not identify how to assess the types of attacks that might occur and their associated probabilities, something necessary for a fully quantitative approach.

DOE has been working over the past decade to effectively reduce risk. However, the committee has several suggestions that could improve the way that DOE considers risk. In particular, one aspect of DOE's approach over the past decade has been to consolidate special nuclear material (SNM) into fewer facilities that are more easily defended than current facilities. Significant progress has been made in "shrinking the footprint," as this approach is described. DOE has succeeded in removing all remaining weapons-usable material from the Hanford site and has announced a plan to do the same at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory within a few years. In addition, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) in DOE added robust physical barriers to protect sensitive materials by constructing a new facility at the Y-12 National Security Complex and by upgrading the security features of the K-Reactor facility at the Savannah River Site. Security of materials being transported also remains a concern.

The committee was charged with addressing how risk-based approaches to security management could augment security and help managers to find an appropriate balance between physical security and cyber security. Our focus regarding cyber security was with interactions between computer systems and physical security. We did not address the potential for loss of sensitive information or documents through compromised computer systems.

It is the committee's view that the various security elements need to be addressed in an integrated way. The committee judges that the current approach underinvests in some areas and that better integration is needed to plan for some types of attacks on nuclear weapons or SNM.

Chris G. Whipple, *Chair*

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Chris G. Whipple, *Chair*

Reviewers

This report has been reviewed in draft form by individuals chosen for their diverse perspectives and technical expertise, in accordance with procedures approved by the Report Review Committee of the National Research Council (NRC). The purpose of this independent review is to provide candid and critical comments that will assist the NRC in making its published report as sound as possible and will ensure that the report meets institutional standards for objectivity, evidence, and responsiveness to the study charge. The review comments and draft manuscript remain confidential to protect the integrity of the deliberative process. We thank the following individuals for their participation in the review of this report:

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Although the reviewers listed above provided many constructive comments and suggestions, they were not asked to endorse the conclusions or recommendations, nor did they see the final draft of the report before its release. The review of this report was overseen by John Ahearne, Executive Director Emeritus of Sigma Xi, and Cherry Murray, Dean of the Harvard School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Appointed by the National Research Council, they were responsible for making certain that an independent examination of the report was carried out in accordance with institutional procedures and that all review comments were considered carefully. Responsibility for the final content of this report rests entirely with the authoring committee and the institution.

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Executive Summary

A nuclear weapon or a significant quantity of special nuclear material (SNM) would be of great value to a terrorist or other adversary. It might have particular value if acquired from a U.S. facility—in addition to acquiring a highly destructive tool, the adversary would demonstrate an inability of the United States to protect its nuclear assets. The United States expends considerable resources toward maintaining effective security at facilities that house its nuclear assets. However, particularly in a budget-constrained environment, it is essential that these assets are also secured efficiently, meaning at reasonable cost and imposing minimal burdens on the primary missions of the organizations that operate U.S. nuclear facilities.

It is in this context that the U.S. Congress directed the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA)—a semi-autonomous agency in the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) responsible for securing nuclear weapons and significant quantities of SNM—to ask the National Academies for advice on augmenting its security approach, particularly on the applicability of quantitative and other risk-based approaches for securing its facilities. In carrying out its charge, the committee has focused on what actions NNSA could take to make its security approach more effective and efficient.

The committee concluded that the solution to balancing cost, security, and operations at facilities in the nuclear weapons complex is not to assess security risks more quantitatively or more precisely. This is primarily because there is no comprehensive analytical basis for defining the attack strategies that a malicious, creative, and deliberate adversary might employ or the probabilities associated with them. However, using structured thinking processes and techniques to characterize security risk could improve NNSA's understanding of security vulnerabilities and guide more effective resource allocation.

Over the course of the study, the committee identified three key shortcomings in NNSA's current security approach: (1) the interactions and dependencies among security countermeasures;² (2) the interactions between DOE/NNSA and other organizations responsible in part for preparing for or responding to an attack on NNSA facilities; and (3) the adequacy of attack scenarios used to design, update, and test the security systems to consider all possible attack scenarios.

As a first step in addressing these shortcomings, the committee recommends that NNSA adopt what the committee termed a “total systems approach” to characterize the interactions and dependencies of security countermeasures at its facilities. Such an approach is commonly used as an initial step in assessing the risks associated with a complex technological system. However, performing such an analysis is not sufficient for implementing highly effective security. Coordination, communication, and joint exercises that include all relevant security organizations are also necessary.

In addition, it is essential to understand the adversary. This involves understanding adversary objectives, goals, and, in particular, how adversaries view the security system. The committee's approach could help DOE to better understand a range of potentially unexpected vulnerabilities and attack scenarios.

Historically, DOE has emphasized some security countermeasures over others in protecting nuclear weapons and SNM, potentially leading to opportunity costs and hidden

² The committee restricted its focus to cyber security directly associated with the physical protection of nuclear weapons and materials. The project sponsor agreed to this interpretation in September 2009.

vulnerabilities. A total systems approach could better integrate these security elements and account for their inherent interdependencies. A total systems approach incorporating all security countermeasures could also lead to better prioritization of which security risks and vulnerabilities will be mitigated.

Summary

In the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA)—a semi-autonomous agency—is responsible for securing fully and partially assembled nuclear weapons and significant quantities of special nuclear material (SNM). NNSA’s security mission includes protecting these weapons and materials, associated facilities, and other assets.

In the current budget-constrained environment, NNSA’s security system needs to be both effective and efficient. An effective NNSA security system would be robust, resilient, and adaptive. An efficient NNSA security system would operate at reasonable cost and impose minimal burdens on the organizations carrying out NNSA’s primary missions at its facilities.

Previous examinations of NNSA’s security (Mies 2005; GAO 2007a, b, 2010) have found that security at NNSA sites has been neither resilient nor adaptive. In addition, as a result of DOE’s³ security expansion in the wake of the attacks of September 11, 2001, until recently costs were escalating at unsustainable rates. At the same time, the increased security requirements have made many of the sites’ primary mission activities much more burdensome. DOE and NNSA recently issued a revised security policy, the Graded Security Protection (GSP) Policy, intended to address some of these concerns.

It is in this context that the U.S. Congress directed NNSA to ask the National Academies for advice on augmenting its security approach, particularly on the applicability of probabilistic risk assessment and other risk-based approaches to securing the complex. In carrying out its charge (see Appendix A), the committee has focused primarily on what actions DOE and NNSA could take to make their security approach more effective and efficient.

The committee has concluded that defining security risks more precisely (e.g., by using a probabilistic risk assessment approach) will not significantly improve NNSA’s security planning. This is primarily because there is no comprehensive analytical basis for defining the attack strategies an adversary might employ or the probabilities of success associated with them.

However, this does not mean that a rigorous assessment of security risk is not useful. Using structured thinking processes and techniques to characterize security risk could improve NNSA’s understanding of security vulnerabilities. In addition, understanding the risks and uncertainties associated with various security subsystems as well as the security system as a whole can inform and improve decisions, particularly in allocating limited resources, provided the techniques are used appropriately.

Still, there is no single comprehensive approach that can ensure an effective and efficient security system. In particular, risk methodologies cannot address cultural or organizational barriers to improved security, and no risk approach can determine how much DOE’s nuclear security program should cost. Decisions about how much risk can and should be accepted are the responsibility of the U.S. government and inherently rely on nontechnical considerations.

With these considerations in mind, in this report, the committee focuses on how NNSA could use risk-based analysis and other approaches to better inform decision making, particularly related to the following three key shortcomings associated with NNSA’s current nuclear security system that were identified by the committee:

1. The interactions and dependencies among security countermeasures;

³ The “nuclear weapons complex” encompasses facilities operated by NNSA. However, other organizations within DOE operate facilities that manage and protect Category I SNM, including the DOE Office of Science and the DOE Office of Environmental Management. DOE-wide policies apply to all facilities; other policies and procedures are NNSA specific. In this report, DOE is referred to when policies applying to all DOE facilities are discussed; NNSA is referenced when policies and procedures specific to the nuclear weapons complex are discussed.

2. The interactions between DOE/NNSA and other organizations responsible in part for preparing for or responding to an attack on NNSA facilities; and
3. The attack scenarios used to design, update, and test the security systems.

The committee judges that its recommendations regarding these shortcomings—in particular, that DOE adopt a “total systems approach” to security, described in detail in Chapters 3 and 4 of the full report—can help DOE better evaluate facility security systems and their vulnerabilities. However, the committee has refrained from outlining a specific methodology; it instead focused on general approaches and tools that could be used.

The committee’s major recommendations are described below and are discussed in detail in the body of the full version of the report.

A dissenting opinion from one committee member is included in the full version of the report. This opinion is largely consistent with the report’s findings and recommendations, but it emphasizes a need for a single entity with both the responsibility and authority to direct the security system.

Finally, the committee limits its scope to cyber security as it relates to the physical security of nuclear weapons and significant quantities of SNM. Neither this report nor the full report addresses the cyber security aspects of protecting classified information or documents. This interpretation of the committee’s scope was agreed on with the sponsor in September 2009.

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

In this section, the committee describes and briefly explains the key recommendations contained in the committee’s report. The committee’s work also resulted in a number of findings, that were judged to be too sensitive to reproduce in this abbreviated version. The findings are included in the full version of the report, entitled *Understanding and Managing Risk in the DOE Nuclear Weapons Complex*, which is exempt from public release under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2).

RECOMMENDATION 3-1: The committee advises against the use of probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) in designing security for the DOE nuclear weapons complex at this time. However, the committee recommends the use of some tools and techniques traditionally associated with PRA to improve NNSA’s understanding of the full spectrum of risks to the complex.

RECOMMENDATION 3-2: NNSA should utilize relevant techniques traditionally associated with risk assessment to improve its understanding of risk—specifically including an analysis of the security system—along with creative scenario generation techniques and security best practices.

RECOMMENDATION 4-1: The committee recommends that DOE/NNSA generate a range of plausible and specific objectives that the site security system is intended to preclude, for use in scenario generation. An adversary perspective should be taken into account when generating these objectives.

RECOMMENDATION 4-2: The committee recommends that a comprehensive and plausible range of adversary capabilities, strategies, and tactics be considered in defining the threat to sites and designing security systems.

RECOMMENDATION 4-3: The committee recommends that DOE sites regularly track and evaluate the information available to an adversary and use this information to improve their understanding of the most likely ways an adversary might attack a given site or other operations, such as transportation.

RECOMMENDATION 4-4: The committee recommends that DOE sites supplement their current vulnerability assessment processes with creative scenario generation techniques.

RECOMMENDATION 4-5: The committee recommends that DOE Headquarters take on the responsibility of defining an overall deterrence strategy for the nuclear weapons complex, subject to evaluation by deterrence subject-matter experts.

RECOMMENDATION 5-1: The committee recommends that DOE focus its communication efforts aimed at Congress and the administration on risk management rather than on the risk to the nuclear weapons complex. This communication should draw on the total systems approach and scenario generation processes recommended by the committee.

RECOMMENDATION 5-2: The committee recommends that DOE take steps to ensure a more integrated and collaborative environment for functional responsibility for the security system at the headquarters level and in the field. A clearer and more expeditious process for accepting risk should be a priority goal.

CONCLUSION

It is clear that the threat that DOE requires its sites to defend against is formidable. The current security emphasis is out of balance. A redirection of focus and resources is indicated, but accomplishing such a major shift in approach will require leadership and a different model for security guidance, planning, and evaluation. The committee's recommendations are intended to serve as a starting point for this change.

Of the recommendations listed above, three stand out in the committee's view as its primary suggestions for how DOE/NNSA could effectively succeed in restructuring its security approach. These suggestions are primarily related to the lack of a total systems view associated with security at NNSA sites.

First, DOE/NNSA should seek to better integrate its security efforts. This would help to address potentially significant vulnerabilities. Second, NNSA and other outside security organizations that are responsible for some aspects of the security of the weapons complex do not appear to be well coordinated. Third, a broader suite of adversary scenarios should be developed.

Finally, the committee notes that any analysis is only an input to a decision maker who needs to make a subjective judgment regarding defense strategies, tactics, and investments. Despite the best plans, defenses, and training, the decision maker needs to be alert and prepared to react quickly and decisively to the unexpected. Thus, it is essential that all aspects of security associated with the DOE nuclear weapons complex—whether they are operated by DOE, by NNSA, or by another agency entirely—be well understood, well organized, well exercised, and well coordinated. Although this may not require changes in how NNSA's security apparatus is organized, it is likely to require a change in approach and a change in mindset.

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Appendix A: Statement of Task

The National Academies will advise the Department of Energy (DOE) on the augmentation of its current risk-based approach, the Design Basis Threat, for securing the nuclear weapons complex, specifically for securing nuclear weapons usable materials and facilities. The study will examine the augmentation of cyber security as well, while recognizing that cyber security and physical security present different challenges. The National Academies will:

1. Evaluate the potential applicability and feasibility of risk-based approaches, including probabilistic approaches, for securing the DOE nuclear weapons complex and document their potential strengths and weaknesses, cost effectiveness, and impediments to implementation. As part of this task, the National Academies will consider the experiences of DOE and its national laboratories, other federal agencies (e.g., Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, Nuclear Regulatory Commission), and the private sector (e.g., nuclear power industry) on the use of risk-based approaches for securing complex technological systems.
2. Evaluate whether and how dissuasion (i.e., deterrence and prevention) concepts can be incorporated into risk-based approaches to enhance security, both in terms of effectiveness and cost efficiency.
3. Provide practical and actionable findings and recommendations on the use of risk-based approaches to (i) balance physical and cyber security; and (ii) communicate within the government and with the public about security risks and costs.

Appendix B: Acronyms

DBT	design basis threat
DOD	U.S. Department of Defense
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
GSP	Graded Security Protection Policy
HEU	highly enriched uranium
PRA	probabilistic risk assessment
SNM	special nuclear material

