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MOSCOW, JANUARY 31, 2014. PIR PRESS – “The most serious threat is related to the necessity to counter nuclear terrorism. To succeed we need to provide more effective protection of nuclear materials as the very fact of availability of plutonium or high enriched uranium creates the threat of such materials falling into the hands of terrorists. Russia possesses one of the most large-scale nuclear programs - if not the largest one - and therefore it is indisputably one of the key players in the field of ensuring nuclear security”, - Piet de Klerk, the Netherlands’ Sherpa for the preparations of the Nuclear Security Summit in The Hague.

On January 13-15, 2014 Thailand hosted the meeting of representatives of states and organizations that will take part in the Nuclear Security Summit in The Hague (Netherlands) on March 24 - 25, 2014. At the meeting the delegates agreed on the final text of the declaration which is planned to be adopted at the Summit in The Hague. The draft declaration pays special attention to strengthening of security of nuclear materials and preventing such materials from falling into the terrorists' hands. It is expected that 58 world leaders, up to five thousand delegates and three thousand journalists will attend the Summit. Also, on March 23 - 25, 2014 the [Nuclear Industry Summit](#) will also be conducted in Amsterdam on the margins of the Nuclear Security Summit in The Hague.

PIR Center has been actively contributing to the preparation of the Nuclear Summits in the Netherlands. On September 3, 2013 the bilateral Russian-Dutch seminar “[The Role of Nuclear Industry in Nuclear Security Governance: Moving to the 2014 Nuclear Security Summit in The Hague](#)” took place in Moscow at the Marriott Courtyard Hotel. The event was organized by PIR Center jointly with Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Moscow. The ideas and proposals developed at this seminar were considered during the preparation of final documents for the Nuclear Summits in the Netherlands. Summary of the discussion at the Seminar is [available](#) at PIR Center website.



After the seminar one of its participants and the organizer of the Nuclear Security Summit in The Hague, the Netherlands’ Sherpa **Piet de Klerk**, gave an interview to PIR Center’s Security Index journal. In particular Mr. De Klerk noted: “The most serious threat is related to the necessity to counter nuclear terrorism. To succeed we need to provide more effective protection of nuclear materials as the very fact of availability of plutonium or high enriched uranium creates the threat of such materials falling into the hands of terrorists.

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The full text of interview by Pete De Klerk was [published](#) in PIR Center's Security Index journal, No.1 (108) Spring 2014, which came out of print in mid-January 2014 and is [available](#) at PIR Center website (in Russian).

PIR Center gives much attention to the preparation for the Nuclear Security Summit in the framework of the Project "[The Future of the Global Partnership Program and Russia-US Cooperation in Nuclear Security](#)".

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