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## ISSUES IN THE POLICY AND STRATEGY SECTION

- Balance between U.S. acting unilaterally as opposed to within collective efforts (Issue in News accounts)
  - See bottom of pages 2&3 and page 7 -- "Continued U.S. leadership"
  - Current document emphasizes striving to act in collective context wherever possible but underscores that U.S. must retain ability to defend critical interests unilaterally and warns that significant U.S. capabilities and leadership will be necessary in many instances to actually put a coalition together
- Role of allies
  - -- To what extent should they increase their military capabilities? (See 3rd paragraph -- page 12 -- which by indirection says allies should not acquire nuclear weapons) (Issue in News accounts)
  - Do we seek alliances principally because we fear them as potential competitors or value them as current allies? (See second paragraph on page 5 that rejects balance of power)
  - Maintaining alliances is second goal on page 2 and we underscore that U.S. needs "leadership necessary to encourage sustained cooperation among major democratic powers." (next to last paragraph on page 2)
  - Their growing strength calls on them to accept greater responsibility (next to last paragraph on page 8 and middle of bottom paragraph of page 2)
- Importance of extending alliances to Eastern Europe
  - -- First paragraph page 5

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