priate congressional committees a report setting forth the following:

- ''(A) For each country selected for the program as of the date of such report—
  - "(i) a proliferation threat assessment prepared by the Director of National Intelligence; and
  - "(ii) metrics for evaluating the effectiveness of the program.
- "(B) Accounting standards for the conduct of the program approved by the Comptroller General of the United States.
- "(2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1) may be submitted in unclassified form and may include a classified annex.
- "(c) REPORTS ON MODIFICATION OF PROGRAM.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days before making any modification in the program under subsection (a) (including selecting a new country for the program, ceasing the selection of a country for the program, or modifying an element of the program), the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the modification.
- "(2) NEW COUNTRY.—If the modification covered by a report under paragraph (1) consists of the selection for the program of a country not previously selected for the program, the report shall include, for each such country, the matters described in subsection (b)(1)(A).
- "(3) WAIVER.—The Administrator may waive the requirement under paragraph (1) to submit a report on a modification in the program under subsection (a) not later than 30 days before making the modification if the Administrator—
  - "(A) determines that the modification is urgent and necessary to the national security interests of the United States; and
- "(B) not later than 30 days after making the modification, submits to the appropriate congressional committees—
  - "(i) the report on the modification required by paragraph (1); and
  - "(ii) a justification for exercising the waiver authority under this paragraph.
- "(4) FORM.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) or (3)(B) may be submitted in unclassified form and may include a classified annex.
- "(d) REPORT ON COORDINATION WITH OTHER U.S. NON-PROLIFERATION PROGRAMS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Jan. 2, 2013], the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report describing the manner in which the program under subsection (a) coordinates with and complements, but does not duplicate, other nonproliferation programs of the Federal Government.
- "(e) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the program under subsection (a) shall expire on September 30, 2016.
- ''(f) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-FINED.—In this section, the term 'appropriate congressional committees' means the following:
  - "(1) The congressional defense committees [Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives].
  - "(2) The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate."

# § 2572. International agreements on nuclear weapons data

The Secretary of Energy may, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State and in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Director of National Intelligence, enter into agreements with countries or international organizations to conduct data collection and analysis to deter-

mine accurately and in a timely manner the source of any components of, or fissile material used or attempted to be used in, a nuclear device or weapon.

(Pub. L. 107–314, div. D, title XLIII, §4307, as added Pub. L. 110–181, div. C, title XXXI, §3129(a)(1), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 584.)

## § 2573. International agreements on information on radioactive materials

The Secretary of Energy may, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State and in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Director of National Intelligence, enter into agreements with countries or international organizations—

- (1) to acquire for the materials information program of the Department of Energy validated information on the physical characteristics of radioactive material produced, used, or stored at various locations, in order to facilitate the ability to determine accurately and in a timely manner the source of any components of, or fissile material used or attempted to be used in, a nuclear device or weapon; and
- (2) to obtain access to information described in paragraph (1) in the event of—  $\,$ 
  - (A) a nuclear detonation; or
  - (B) the interdiction or discovery of a nuclear device or weapon or nuclear material.

(Pub. L. 107–314, div. D, title XLIII, § 4308, as added Pub. L. 110–181, div. C, title XXXI, § 3129(a)(1), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 584.)

### § 2574. Enhancing nuclear forensics capabilities

## (a) Research and development plan for nuclear forensics and attribution

#### (1) Research and development

The Secretary of Energy shall prepare and implement a research and development plan to improve nuclear forensics capabilities in the Department of Energy and at the national laboratories overseen by the Department of Energy. The plan shall focus on improving the technical capabilities required—

- (A) to enable a robust and timely nuclear forensic response to a nuclear explosion or to the interdiction of nuclear material or a nuclear weapon anywhere in the world; and
- (B) to develop an international database that can attribute nuclear material or a nuclear weapon to its source.

#### (2) Reports

- (A) The Secretary of Energy shall submit to the congressional defense committees—
  - (i) not later than 6 months after October 14, 2008, a report on the contents of the research and development plan described in paragraph (1), and any legislative changes required to implement the plan; and
- (ii) not later than 18 months after October 14, 2008, a report on the status of implementing the plan.
- (B) The Secretary shall submit each report required by this subsection in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex with such report.