
Subject: U.S. Building new nukes

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j_ball430 You don't need a whole lot of radioactive material to create an effective bomb. Plus, if it's scattered across distances, it's not going to cause any damage. You do realize that just about everything is radioactive. Most rocks are radioactive. Shit, even your glow in the dark watches are radioactive.

My knowledge of nukes is only what I learned from pushing them around while serving on subs. The latest nukes have been primarily neutron types that leave little radioactive debris and most buildings would still be intact after they detonate overhead. They don't have quite the blast effect of earlier bombs. However, the huge kill radius is a result of being toasted to a crisp or having too many cells in your body being ruptured from the overload of neutrons passing through. The farther away you are or how shielded you are determines your survivability. Neutrons particles can really penetrate. Infact, you have neutrons particles (& gamma) passing through your body whenever you expose yourself to the sun. If you spend too much time in high altitude aircraft, you are exposed to a lot more of them.

These weapons are harder to maintain because of a certain gas needed (I'm still not supposed to disclose what type but you can find it easy enough with a little research) to make them effective. These nukes have a shorter life span because this gas dissipates or changes chemically over time.
