

NATO and European Missile Defence

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At the Lisbon Summit, will NATO give the go-ahead for an Alliance-wide missile defence system?

US Vice President Joe Biden and NATO Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen both back this idea, and cite the possible development of nuclear weapons and new missiles by Iran as the reason. The suggestion is that NATO and the US combine their current missile defence developments in Europe to form one large missile shield – an idea that is causing a great deal of controversy, as discussed by Dave Webb in this briefing paper. Read more in the attached PDF.

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