Arctic Arms Control: Constraints and Opportunities

Recent developments in military technology and strategic doctrine have directed attention to the Arctic. Corresponding to this heightened military interest has been a growth in calls for some kind of arms control in the area. Ron Purver's paper examines a variety of past proposals for such measures. It seeks to explain why so few of them have elicited any interest so far from the governments concerned, and to determine whether any of them are both feasible and desirable in terms of enhancing security in the Arctic and globally.

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