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“We found the Woodrow Wilson Centre report ‘Nanotechnology: A Research Strategy for Addressing Risk’ to be a very helpful contribution to international discussions on research needs in this area and we are particularly supportive of the way in which work has been divided into two categories of short and longer term. The UK will be pressing for OECD (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; www.oecd.org) to act in a coordinating role on research proposals which are working towards understanding regulatory need.

Indeed, the UK will shortly be releasing its own specific research proposals. Many views are shared between the proposals of the Woodrow Wilson report and our own. Further, the UK will be launching a Voluntary Reporting Scheme on Friday 22 September to gather data for use in co-operation with its research and that from the international community.”

Nanotechnology: A Research Strategy for Addressing Risk, was written by Dr. Andrew D. Maynard, Chief Science Advisor, Project on Emerging Nanotechnologies, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. It was released by the Project on Emerging Nanotechnologies, which is a joint initiative of the Wilson Center and The Pew Charitable Trusts, in July 2006. Copies are available online: www.nanotechproject.org.