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Dear Mr President:

I am very concerned about nuclear war. Since the 1950s American presidents have had the awesome responsibility of being able to destroy the world. This small club of people capable of destroying cities with nuclear weapons has been slowly growing and now includes the North Korean president. I worry that you will precipitate a nuclear war. Your bombastic comments toward Mr Kim have been frightening. Now it appears that you are forcing the US military to back up these threats with plans for military action. This is terrifying to me and apparently to many US military leaders as well. The knowlege of such experts should not simply be discounted with even such hawkish appointments as Prof Cha being scuttled in favor of someone with less experience but an uninformed attachment to your dangerous approach.

Please assure me that you will deescalate in Korea.

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our soft speech in light of our big stick.

Sincerely, Eric Babson