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While teaching at LSU I got fascinated by the notion that it was possible for a well-heeled terrorist group to build its own atomic bomb. That ultimately led to a complete change in my career pattern including extensive government service and a stint as Professor of Science and Security in London. The intersection of physics with national security policy LVDIDVFLQDWLQJÄHOGQRWHEXWZLWKYHU\GLIIHUHQWTXHV totally different constraints on your research and SXEOLFDWLRQVDQGWKHIDFW\vert you give a wrong answer.

My new career led me to a job working with then-Senator Joseph Biden and later to London for several years where I got to study the details of WKH %XVK \$GPLQLVWUDWLRQ·V L weapons in Iraq. Along the way I had to become an H[SHUW DW PLVVLOH GHIHQVH H DQG GHWHFWLQJ SUROLIHUDWLR DQG DIWHU WKH 6HQDWH ZDV DV treatment of anthrax along with many other problems I had never known existed.