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Discuss the reasons behind India's refusal to sign the nuclear non-proliferation treaty (NPT)

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NPT 1968

Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons; nuclear-weapon State defined by a 1967 test cut-off.

China 1964

First Chinese nuclear test, a regional reason India would not lock itself as a permanent have-not.

1974 PNE

Pokhran peaceful nuclear explosion that triggered technology denial and NSG tightening.

1998 tests

Declared nuclear-weapon tests; India still stayed outside the NPT while seeking a nuclear normalcy bargain.

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