

In speaking to Lsear last night I said I thought the Nixon over-reaction indicated he has really crossed the line and was out of control. He agreed and added this story, which he attributed to Tristram Coffin: There was some kind of minor naval incident off the North Korean coast several years ago. Nixon was so determined to bomb North Korea his advisors had to sit on him around the clock until he had cooled off. They were that afraid he would do it. The fact and the vehemence of his over-reaction exceed arrogance. Both are irrational. An alternative is that much fear. Each time he blows he and his also display ignorance, in this case including of John Marshall's decision in the Burr case. A president can be subpened. HW 5/30/73