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Ladies & Gentlemen, below please find this week's edition of *Executive Insight Brief* from The Roosevelt Group.

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TOP STORIES

Watchdog to audit Pentagon's use of COVID-19 funds on defense contractors

The Pentagon's internal watchdog will audit whether the department appropriately used [coronavirus relief funding to boost the defense industrial base](#), according to a memo released Thursday.

The audit aims to determine whether the Pentagon "awarded Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding to increase the defense industrial base manufacturing capacity in accordance with federal regulations and Defense Production Act authorities," according to the memo from the Pentagon inspector general's office, dated Wednesday.

The announcement of the audit comes after lawmakers asked the inspector general to investigate the Department of Defense's (DOD) use of \$1 billion from the CARES Act following a *Washington Post* report that detailed how the department used most of the money on defense contractors rather than medical supplies.

China's Xi tells troops to focus on war preparations

[Chinese troops should "put all \[their\] minds and energy on preparing for war."](#) President Xi Jinping said Tuesday during a visit to a Guandong military base.

In his visit, Xi said troops must "maintain a state of high alert" and remain "absolutely loyal, absolutely pure, and absolutely reliable," according to state news agency Xinhua,

as reported by CNN.

Xi's remarks came the day after the White House said it will sell three advanced weapons systems to Taiwan, which Beijing considers part of the People's Republic of China. Washington-Beijing tensions have also flared since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic, believed to have originated in Wuhan.

Increasing sealift funding, fixing tankers a 2022 budget priority, Esper says

WASHINGTON — [The Pentagon plans to include funding in its fiscal 2022 budget request to increase military sealift capabilities](#), including through the use of commercial vessels, Secretary of Defense Mark Esper said in comments Thursday.

"When you look at those you got to make sure you understand the flow of forces, that strategic mobility you're talking about. And when I think about strategic mobility I think about the airlift and sealift principally," Esper said in comments at the Heritage Foundation.

"We have worked that pretty hard with Transportation Command, we've come up with some new concepts whereby we can accelerate the process to get adequate sealift by recapitalizing our sealift fleet with — use commercial vessels," he said. "And so those are some of the things you'll see coming out in our budget there in February to do that." Esper did not reveal further details of the plan, which came in context of the need to increase strategic mobility overall in order to make the Pentagon's future war plans possible.

Fairchild, Shaw and Ellsworth AFBs make productivity gains

Oct. 15 (UPI) -- [The Air Force on Thursday recognized three bases for progress on sustainment initiatives intended to increase aircraft readiness](#).

The sustainment initiatives were the result of the secretary and chief of staff of the Air Force's 2019 direction to develop a better framework to improve the readiness of weapon systems and sustainment operations, according to the Air Force.

"We developed a team to institute the Theory of Constraints on several flight lines across the service in an effort to enhance our maintenance processes," said Brig. Gen. Linda Hurry, director of logistics, deputy chief of staff for logistics, engineering and force protection. "In just six months we were already seeing results at Fairchild, Ellsworth and Shaw Air Force Bases."

Army Asks Hill For New Mid-Range Missile \$\$\$ ASAP: Thurgood

WASHINGTON: [The Army has asked Congress to rapidly reallocate 2020 funding so the service can jumpstart its latest long-range weapon](#), Lt. Gen. Neil Thurgood tells me. The pending reprogramming request would launch the new intermediate-range missile the service revealed last month so the Army can rush prototypes into service by late 2023, filling a gap Army strategists identified in their ambitious family of missiles already in development.

To meet that deadline, “there’s not time for a new invention,” said Thurgood, whose Rapid Capabilities & Critical Technologies Office (RCCTO) will develop the new missile, alongside its ongoing hypersonics program. “So we’re going have to take something and ... modify it.” The service has studied a wide range of existing missiles – both U.S. and allied, both ballistic and cruise – but he wouldn’t say which it was likely to pick.

Establishing zero-trust cybersecurity comes with challenges for Pentagon IT leadership

WASHINGTON — [Increased telework amid the coronavirus pandemic has accelerated conversations about zero-trust cybersecurity architectures](#), but IT officials at the Pentagon are still wrestling with how that would work for a department stretched across the globe.

The challenges facing the Department of Defense have to do with the organization’s differing mission needs that expand across continents, making scaling for the department difficult to tackle.

Army Aims To Field TITAN Terminals For All-Domain Ops In 2024

[The Army and Air Force are still "defining the relationship" between TITAN and the Air Force's Advanced Battle Management System \(ABMS\)](#), an Army spokesperson says.

WASHINGTON: The Army hopes to start early prototyping its flagship all-purpose, mobile ground station known as TITAN next year. The Tactical Intelligence Targeting Access Node is meant to underpin Army Multi-Domain Operations (MDO) — that is, connecting sensors and shooters across the air, land, sea, space and cyberspace domains so they can share targeting data in seconds.

“The program is currently going through an Analysis of Alternatives which will shape final requirements and system capabilities at echelon,” a spokesperson for the Army’s Project Manager Intelligence Systems & Analytics said. The goal is to formulate an official “program of record” to develop and buy the new system. “Early prototyping and system design efforts will start in FY21 and result in multiple prototypes in FY22.”

TITAN, a key contribution to the military’s future Joint All-Domain Command and Control

(JADC2) network, will bring data from ground, air and space sensors; the other two domains, which it won't touch, are the sea and cyberspace. It is envisioned as a "unified" ground station that can take data not just from satellites, but also from aerial and terrestrial intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) sensors to provide targeting data directly to Army Long-Range Precision Fires (LRPF) networks.

Turkey clears way to test Russian S-400 defence system this week

ANKARA (Reuters) - [Turkey has issued notices restricting air space and waters off its Black Sea coast](#) to allow firing tests apparently on Friday involving its Russian-made S-400 missile defence units, a week after they were transported to the area.

While Turkey already tested the surface-to-air weapons last year, further exercises could stoke tensions with NATO ally the United States, which sharply opposed the purchase from Moscow on grounds the S-400s compromise NATO defence systems.

Coronavirus exposure risk on airplanes very low, U.S. defense study finds

(Reuters) - [The risk of exposure to the coronavirus on flights is very low, a U.S. Department of Defense study released](#) on Thursday found, a positive sign for the airline industry as it tries to rebound from the pandemic's crushing effect on travel. When a seated passenger is wearing a mask, an average 0.003% of air particles within the breathing zone around a person's head are infectious, even when every seat is occupied, it found.

The testing assumed only one infected person on the plane and did not simulate the effects of passenger movement around the cabin.

The study, conducted aboard United Airlines Boeing 777 and 767 aircraft, showed that masks helped minimize exposure to infection when someone coughed, even in neighboring seats.

Federal Personnel

1 ARRIVAL

[Sean P. Plankey](#) has a new position as [Assistant Director \(Incoming\)](#) at Infrastructure Security Division [ISD], Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency [CISA], United States Department of Homeland Security [DHS]

Note: On October 7, 2020, President Donald J. Trump announced his intention to appoint Sean Plankey to be Assistant Director for Infrastructure Security. We are

researching Mr. Plankey's swear-in date.



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Key Congressional Staffers

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

[1813](#) Battle of Leipzig, largest battle in Europe prior to WWI, [Napoleon's](#) forces defeated by Prussia, Austria and Russia

[1900](#) Great Britain and Germany sign the Anglo-German Treaty, agreeing to maintain territorial integrity of China and support 'open door' policy called for by U.S. Secretary of State

[1934](#) [Mao Zedong](#) and 25,000 troops begin their 6,000 mile Long March from the south of China to the north and west

[1962](#) [Cuban Missile Crisis](#) begins as [JFK](#) is shown photos confirming the presence of Soviet missiles in Cuba

[1978](#) Polish Cardinal Karol Wojtyla elected Pope [John Paul II](#)

[1998](#) Former Chilean dictator General [Augusto Pinochet](#) is arrested in London on a Spanish warrant requesting his extradition on murder charges



LOOK AHEAD

The Association of the U.S. Army holds its virtual 2020 annual meeting and exposition, beginning at 8 a.m., Oct. 13-16.

Highlights:

- 1:30 p.m.: Sergeant Major of the Army Michael Grinston participates in a Fifth Region Event
- Sergeant Major of the Army Michael Grinston participates in a Sixth Region event
- 2:35 p.m.: Undersecretary of the Army James McPherson participates in a Seventh Region event

8:00 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

meetings@ausa.org

Webinar information is available at <https://meetings.ausa.org/annual/index.cfm>

The Aspen Institute holds a webinar, beginning at 9 a.m., on "President Trump's National Security Agenda."

9:00 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

202-736-2299

Webinar information is available at <https://www.aspeninstitute.org/events/president-trumps-national-security-agenda/>

Participants:

- former National Security Advisor Stephen Hadley
- White House National Security Advisor Robert O'Brien

Defense Department; Office of the Secretary holds a meeting by teleconference of

the National Security Education Board to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning requirements established by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act, Title VII of Public Law 102-183, as amended.

9:30 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

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at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/132416253>

The George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs holds a webinar, beginning at 10 a.m., on "What's New Under the Sun? Nuclear and Military Affairs in U.S.-Russian Relations."

10:00 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

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at <https://elliott.gwu.edu/event-calendar?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D147866950>

Participants:

- Adam Stulberg, Head of Georgia Institute of Technology's Sam Nunn School of International Affairs
- Dmitry Gorenburg, Senior research scientist at CNA
- Mikhail Troitskiy, Associate professor at the Moscow State Institute of International Relations
- Polina Sinovets, Head of the Mechnikov National University's Center for Nonproliferation

The United States Institute of Peace holds a webinar, beginning at 10 a.m., on "Russia's War in Donbas: Ripe for a Resolution?" referring to a region on Ukraine.

10:00 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

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Paul Johnson; Webinar information is available at <https://www.usip.org/events/russias-war-donbas-ripe-resolution>

Participants:

- former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine William Taylor, Vice president of the USIP Office of Strategic Stability and Security
- Orysia Lutsevych, Manager of the Chatham House Ukraine Forum
- Ukrainian Ambassador to the United States Volodymyr Yelchenko
- Ukrainian Deputy Prime Minister Oleksii Reznikov
- Donald Jensen, Director of the USIP office of Strategic Stability and Security

The National Council of Resistance of Iran-U.S. Representative Office (NCRI-US) holds an online news conference, beginning at 10:30 a.m., to discuss "a new nuclear

facility in Iran, including satellite imagery and key officials involved."

10:30 AM EDT on 10/16/2020

media@ncrius.org

RSVP required to receive the Zoom registration link.

The Atlantic Council holds a webinar, beginning at 10 a.m., on "The Future of U.S. National Security," with a panel of former national security advisers.

10:00 AM EDT on 10/19/2020

press@atlanticcouncil.org

202-778-4993

Travis Horne; Webinar information is available

at <https://www.wilsoncenter.org/event/conversation-president-luis-abinader-dominican-republic>

Participants:

- Former Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs Gen. James Jones

The United States Institute of Peace holds its virtual RESOLVE Network 2020 Global Forum, Beginning at 10 a.m., with the theme "Violent Extremism in 2020 and Beyond."

10:00 AM EDT on 10/19/2020

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Paul Johnson; RSVP required. Information on the webcast is available

at <https://www.usip.org/events/resolve-network-2020-global-forum>

Participants:

- Amarnath Amarasingam, Assistant professor at the Queen's University School of Religion
- Colin Clarke, Senior research fellow at the Soufan Center
- Mary Beth Altier, Clinical associate professor at the New York University Center for Global Affairs

The Woodrow Wilson Center Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies holds a webcast, beginning at 10 a.m., on "New START (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty) and the Future of U.S.-Russia Arms Control."

10:00 AM EDT on 10/19/2020

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Ryan McKenna; Information on the webcast is available

at <https://www.wilsoncenter.org/event/new-start-and-future-us-russia-arms-control>

Participants:

- Lynn Rusten, Vice president of the Nuclear Threat Initiative's Global Nuclear Policy Program
- Feodor Voitlovsky, Senior research fellow at the Russian Academy of Sciences'

- Institute of World Economy and International Relations
- Matthew Rojansky, Director of the WWC Kennan Institute

The Hudson Institute holds a webinar, beginning at 12 p.m., on "Sustaining the Undersea Advantage: Disrupting Anti-Submarine Warfare Using Autonomous Systems." 12:00 PM EDT on 10/19/2020

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Carolyn Stewart; Webinar information is available

at <https://www.hudson.org/events/1876-sustaining-the-undersea-advantage-disrupting-anti-submarine-warfare-using-autonomous-systems102020>

Participants:

- Bryan Clark, Director of the Hudson Center for Defense Concepts and Technology
- Curt VonBraun, Technical director for naval power at Raytheon Technologies
- Seth Cropsen, Director of the Hudson Center for American Seapower
- Former Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert
- former U.S. Naval Forces Europe Commander Adm. James Foggo

The Atlantic Council holds a virtual seminar, beginning at 1 p.m., on "Taiwan and the Future of U.S.-China Strategic Competition," as part of the Cross-Strait Seminar series.

1:00 PM EDT on 10/19/2020

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Travis Horne; Webinar information is available

at <https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/event/cross-strait-seminar-series-taiwan-and-the-future-of-us-china-strategic-competition/>

Participants:

- Bethany Allen-Ebrahimian, China reporter at Axios
- Former Assistant Defense Secretary for Indo-Pacific Affairs Randall Schriver, Chairman of Project 2049
- Michael Mazza, Visiting fellow at the American Enterprise Institute
- Miyeon Oh, Director of the Atlantic Council's Asia Security Initiative
- Dexter Tiff Roberts, Nonresident senior fellow at the Atlantic Council

The Center for Strategic and International Studies holds a webcast, beginning at 3:30 p.m., on "International Security in Cyberspace - New Models for Reducing Risk."

3:30 PM EDT on 10/19/2020

202-775-3242

Andrew Schwartz; Information on the webcast is available

at <https://www.csis.org/events/online-event-international-security-cyberspace-new-models-reducing-risk>

Participants:

- Assistant Secretary of State for International Security and Nonproliferation
Christopher Ford

The Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies holds a webinar, beginning at 12 p.m., on "Iran and the U.S. - A Critical Juncture."

12:00 PM EDT on 10/20/2020

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Stacy Anderson; Webinar information is available at <https://sais.jhu.edu/campus-events?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D472820095>

Participants:

- Ariane Tabatabai, Middle East fellow at the German Marshal Fund's Alliance for Securing Democracy
- The National Defense Industrial Association holds its virtual Precision Strike Technology Symposium, beginning at 1 p.m., on "Advanced Precision Strike for the Multi Domain Fight"

Highlight:

- 1:30 p.m.: Assistant Air Force Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics William Roper delivers keynote remarks on "Air Force SAE Perspective"
- 2:45 p.m.: Dean Wilkening, fellow at Johns Hopkins University's applied Physics Laboratory, delivers remarks on "Conventional Prompt Strike, 2030 and Beyond"

1:00 PM EDT on 10/20/2020

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• Kimberly Williams; The event is closed press. Webinar information is available at <https://www.ndia.org/events/2020/10/20/1pst-precision-strike-technology-symposium>

The National Defense Industrial Association holds a virtual discussion, beginning at 9 a.m., with David Stapleton, assistant director for critical technology protection at the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency.

9:00 AM EDT on 10/21/2020

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Evamarie Socha; Event is closed press. RSVP required. Information on the webcast is available at <https://www.ndia.org/events/2020/10/21/ndia-dcsa-roundtable-with-david-stapleton>

The Atlantic Council holds a webinar, beginning at 10 a.m., on "Economic Welfare vs. National Security: Inclusive Growth, the State, and the Role of the Private Sector."

10:00 AM EDT on 10/21/2020

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Travis Horne; Webinar information is available

at <https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/event/economic-welfare-vs-national-security/>

Participants:

- Mariana Mazzucato, Founding director of the University College of London's Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose

The Washington Space Business Roundtable holds a webinar, beginning at 12 p.m., on "the profound strategic impact of China's space activities on U.S. interests."

12:00 PM EDT on 10/21/2020

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Annette Summers; Webinar information is available

at <https://www.wsbr.org/events/virtual-program-with-nicholas-eftimiades/>

Participants:

- Nicholas Eftimiades, Professor at Penn State University

The Center for Strategic and International Studies holds a virtual conference, beginning at 12 p.m., on "International Security at the Nuclear Nexus," October 21-22.

Highlight:

– Noon: Navy Adm. Charles Richard, commander of U.S. Strategic Command, delivers keynote remarks

12:00 PM EDT on 10/21/2020

202-775-3242

Andrew Schwartz; Information on the webcast is available

at <https://www.csis.org/events/online-event-international-security-nuclear-nexus-day-1>

The Intelligence National Security Alliance holds a webinar, beginning at 4:30 p.m., with Katie Arrington, chief information security officer in the Office of the Defense undersecretary for acquisition and sustainment.

4:30 PM EDT on 10/21/2020

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Webinar information is available at <https://www.insaonline.org/event/wednesday-wisdom-with-katie-arrington/>

Participants:

- John Doyon, INSA executive vice president

The Air Force Association's Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies holds a "Aerospace Nation" forum via webinar, with Gen. Charles Q. Brown Jr., chief of staff of the Air Force.

12:00 AM EDT on 10/21/2020

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Kamilla Gunzinger; Start time is TBA. The event is by invitation only. RSVP required. Webinar information is available at <https://www.mitchellaerospacepower.org/>

Defense Department; Army Department holds a meeting by teleconference of the Army Science Board to review, deliberate, and vote on the findings and recommendations presented for FY2020 ASB studies.

9:00 AM EDT on 10/22/2020

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Heather Gerard; RSVP required to Gloria Mudge at gloria.l.mudge.civ@mail.mil for dial-in information.

The Air Force Association's Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies holds a "Nuclear Deterrence" forum via webinar with Henry Sokolski, executive director of the Nonproliferation Policy Education Center.

12:00 AM EDT on 10/22/2020

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Kamilla Gunzinger; Start time is TBA. The event is by invitation only. RSVP required. Webinar information is available at <https://www.mitchellaerospacepower.org/>

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