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USA Defense

Commentary

Do low munitions inventories invite aggression?

Michael E. O'Hanlon

May 6, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/do-low-munitions-inventories-invite-aggression/>

Blog Post

The Pentagon's Retaliation Campaign Against Senator Kelly Is Unconstitutional

By Thomas A. Berry, Dan Greenberg, and Harrison Prestwich

May 6, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/pentagons-retaliation-campaign-against-senator-kelly-unconstitutional>

Reports | Hudson Institute

Could Belarus Attack Ukraine? Preparing for Three Scenarios

Luke Coffey

May 6, 2026

<https://www.hudson.org/national-security-defense/could-belarus-attack-ukraine-preparing-three-scenarios-luke-coffey>

Expert Take

Trump Is Pulling Troops From Germany. The Missiles Are a Bigger Problem.

The United States is pulling troops from Germany, but the troop numbers aren't the story. Canceled missile deployments and dwindling weapons stockpiles are quietly eroding the foundations of NATO deterrence.

Liana Fix

May 4, 2026

<https://www.cfr.org/articles/trump-is-pulling-troops-from-germany-the-missiles-are-a-bigger-problem>

Commentary

America's Post-Deliberative Wars

The Iran War may be the first genuinely "post-deliberative" war in American history.

By Brandan P. Buck

May 1, 2026 •

<https://www.cato.org/commentary/americas-post-deliberative-wars#>

Report | CSIS

Orbits of Influence: Emerging Threats to U.S. Space Security and Foreign Policy Implications

U.S. space dominance is eroding as adversaries deploy counterspace weapons, commercial competition accelerates, and China expands global influence. Action is needed to strengthen resilience, leverage diplomacy, and sustain leadership in an increasingly contested domain.

Kari A. Bingen

April 29, 2026

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Issue Brief

NATO's 1.5 Percent Infrastructure Target

Wilson Beaver and Jordan Embree

April 28, 2026

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https://www.heritage.org/sites/default/files/2026-04/IB5408_0.pdf

Article

America's War in the Americas

Because of the Trump Administration, the U.S. finally has a strategy.

Joshua Treviño

Joshua Treviño is the Senior Fellow at the Western Hemisphere Initiative and Senior Advisor to the President at the America First Policy Institute.

April 28, 2026

<https://americanmind.org/salvo/americas-war-in-the-americas/>

Commentary

Beyond Venezuela and Cuba: The U.S. Military's Future Operations in the Western Hemisphere

CSIS Americas Program Senior Associate Wilder Alejandro Sánchez analyzes areas for future U.S. security operations in the Western Hemisphere.

Wilder Alejandro Sánchez

April 23, 2026

<https://www.csis.org/analysis/beyond-venezuela-and-cuba-us-militarys-future-operations-western-hemisphere>

Commentary

NATO'S Hidden Dividend and the Avoidable Cost of U.S. Withdrawal

NATO was designed to do more than provide security, it built deep economic integration that has become one of its least appreciated strengths. The economic gains are large, durable, and, in many cases, effectively self-financing relative to the costs of membership.

Philip Luck, Karen Jackson, und Oleksandr Shepotylo

April 22, 2026

<https://www.csis.org/analysis/natos-hidden-dividend-and-avoidable-cost-us-withdrawal>

Policy Brief

Why and How Europeans Must Prepare for US Retrenchment

While US restraint poses daunting challenges for Europe, forestalling a reckoning may be even worse.

Justin Logan, Rachel Tausendfreund

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Blog Post

Leaving NATO—Even for the Wrong Reasons—Is Good Policy

By Michael Chapman

April 17, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/leaving-nato-even-wrong-reasons-good-policy>

Working Paper | AEI Foreign and Defense Policy Working Paper Series

Analyzing the 2027 Defense Budget Request

Elaine McCusker, John G. Ferrari

April 16, 2026

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<https://www.aei.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/Analyzing-the-2027-Defense-Budget-Request-Working-Paper-1.pdf?x97961>

Special Report Defense

The Security Environment in the Middle East

The Heritage Foundation Defense Experts

April 15, 2026

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<https://www.heritage.org/sites/default/files/2026-04/SR327.pdf>

National Security

Report | CNAS

Who Will Make Money on AI?

A Discussion Paper on Aligning Commercial Incentives with National Security Interests

By: Geoffrey Gertz and Emily Kilcrease

May 05, 2026

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https://s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/files.cnas.org/documents/Who-Will-Make-Money-on-AI_FINAL.pdf

Foreign Policy

Commentary

What will happen when Trump meets Xi?

Brookings experts weigh in

Richard C. Bush, Kyle Chan, Jonathan A. Czin, Vanda Felbab-Brown, Ryan Hass, Yingyi Ma, Scott M.

Moore, Michael E. O'Hanlon, and Susan A. Thornton

May 5, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/what-will-happen-when-trump-meets-xi/>

Commentary

Five things to watch as Trump goes to Beijing

Patricia M. Kim

May 4, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/five-things-to-watch-as-trump-goes-to-beijing/>

Article

Strategic Instability: The Trump Administration's Contradictory Taiwan Signals Court Disaster Ahead of Trump-Xi Summit

The administration's transactional and incoherent posturing on Taiwan recklessly erodes deterrence, producing a strategic instability that invites a catastrophic military miscalculation between the United States and China.

Michael Schiffer, Michael Clark

May 4, 2026

<https://www.americanprogress.org/article/strategic-instability-the-trump-administrations-contradictory-taiwan-signals-court-disaster-ahead-of-trump-xi-summit/>

Commentary

Is There a China Strategy Behind the Iran War?

Trump's inconsistent China policy undermines efforts to parlay the conflict into a geopolitical win.

Michael Sobolik & Grant Rumley

May 4, 2026

<https://www.hudson.org/foreign-policy/there-china-strategy-behind-iran-war-michael-sobolik>

Expert Take

The Iran War Is Highlighting—and Expanding—Authoritarian Collaboration

Autocratic regimes like China and Russia have increasingly supported Iran and other repressive partners in an effort to keep authoritarians in power and build a global network of autocracies.

Joshua Kurlantzick

April 21, 2026

<https://www.cfr.org/articles/the-iran-war-is-highlighting-and-expanding-authoritarian-collaboration>

Commentary

As the US steps out of UNESCO, China steps up

Emily Markovich Morris and Michael Hansen

April 20, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/as-the-us-steps-out-of-unesco-china-steps-up/>

Economics, Trade and Finance

Research Brief

Tracking trade amid uncertain and changing tariff policies

Kari Heerman and Asha Patt

May 5, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/tracking-trade-amid-uncertain-and-changing-tariff-policies/>

Commentary

Public comment to OCC on implementation of the GENIUS Act

William C. Dudley and Nellie Liang

May 1, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/public-comment-to-occ-on-implementation-of-the-genius-act/>

Expert Take

Disappearing Gulf Capital: The Iran War Risk Wall Street Isn't Watching

Some of the largest U.S. technology companies and investment managers are vulnerable if Middle Eastern sovereign capital shifts more towards domestic priorities in response to the Iran war, which could lead to potential spillover to broader U.S. financial markets.

Rebecca Patterson

May 1, 2026

<https://www.cfr.org/articles/disappearing-gulf-capital-the-iran-war-risk-wall-street-isnt-watching>

Working Papers

Lessons from three global collective action problems

This paper compares three global collective action problems, those involving climate change, international trade, and international taxation.

Kimberly Clausing (PIIE)

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<https://www.piie.com/sites/default/files/2026-04/wp26-6.pdf>

Expert Take

China's "Fake" De-Dollarization

China didn't truly de-dollarize—it just shifted its dollar holdings from official reserves at SAFE to less transparent state entities like banks and investment funds.

Brad W. Setser

April 30, 2026

<https://www.cfr.org/articles/chinas-fake-de-dollarization>

Expert Take

The U.S. Economy Was Shaky Before the Iran War. Now It's in Real Trouble.

While the U.S. economy grew strongly in 2025, it is currently on shaky ground. Spiking inflation, static interest rates, the ongoing Iran war, and other dynamics have contributed to a difficult economic moment ahead of midterm elections in November.

Roger W. Ferguson Jr, Maximilian Hippold

April 28, 2026

<https://www.cfr.org/articles/the-u-s-economy-was-shaky-before-the-iran-war-now-its-in-real-trouble>

Expert Insights

When Economic Security Meets Economic Statecraft: Principles for a New Era

Economic security policy and economic statecraft—once parallel domains—are now colliding. The authors trace this collision through five phases of U.S. policy since 2001 and propose four principles to guide policymakers in this new era.

Rachel Lyngaas, Howard J. Shatz, Isabella Whitney, Jung-Ju Lee

Apr 24, 2026

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Blog Post

Did 88 Corporations Really Pay No Income Tax on Billions of Profits?

By Adam N. Michel

April 21, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/did-88-corporations-really-pay-no-income-tax-billions-profits>

Issue Brief

Using the USMCA review to strengthen regional integration

As economic and trade authorities across Mexico and the United States engage in the July 2026 USMCA review, adapting to new geopolitical realities without reversing binational economic integration should be a priority.

By the Binational Task Force on Economic Security and Competitiveness

Apr 20, 2026

<https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/in-depth-research-reports/issue-brief/using-the-usmca-review-to-strengthen-regional-integration/>

Blog Post

European Central Bank Denies Digital Euro Public Records Request

By Nicholas Anthony

April 20, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/ecb-denies-digital-euro-public-records-request>

Report | CSIS

Resilience Through Linkage: Russia, Iran, and Aspirations for North-South Trade

The study identifies a clear Russian and Iranian commitment to creating a north–south trade route that could bypass Western sanctions. The report evaluates the route’s potential to reshape the U.S.-dominated global trade system in the coming decades.

Maria Snegovaya, Nicholas Fenton und Tina Dolbaia

April 16, 2026

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Domestic Politics

Blog Post

Another Look at Gerrymandering

By Robert A. Levy

May 4, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/another-look-gerrymandering>

Report

How Policy and Demographics Are Reshaping SNAP: From Families with Children to Older Adults

SNAP remains an important resource for many low-income households. However, efforts to control its long-term growth must confront the realities of population aging and the past policy choices that today shape how elderly households increasingly qualify for and receive benefits.

BY Angela Rachidi

29 Apr 26

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Blog Post

It’s Good to be the King! Using the Federal Government for Trump’s Personal Interests

By Stephen Richer

April 29, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/its-good-be-king-using-federal-government-trumps-personal-interests>

Blog Post

What Are the Rules for Acting Cabinet Members?

By Thomas A. Berry

April 27, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/what-are-rules-acting-cabinet-members>

Report

AEI's Center on Opportunity and Social Mobility

Land of Opportunity: Advancing the American Dream

This book argues that by encouraging economic growth, expanding opportunity, and restoring the social foundations of family, work, and community, we can renew the promise of the American Dream for future generations.

Kevin Corinth + Scott Winship + Mason M. Bishop + et al.

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Article

Orbán's Defeat in Hungary Exposes Rifts on the American Right

The Senate GOP establishment sides with the Left.

Jeremy Carl

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<https://americanmind.org/salvo/orbans-defeat-in-hungary-exposes-rifts-on-the-american-right/>

Research Article

What do special elections mean for the midterm elections?

Elaine Kamarck, Jordan Muchnick, and Nikola Miletic

April 16, 2026

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/what-do-special-elections-mean-for-the-midterm-elections/>

Foresight

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Policy Perspective | CGAI

Reflections on the Future of Canada-U.S. Defence Relations

by Dr. Alexander Salt

May 2026

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Russian Strategic Behaviour and Canada's Arctic Foreign Policy

by Alina Stailovska

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Aligning Canada's Policy Architecture with the Defence Industrial Strategy

by VAdm (Ret'd) Ron Lloyd

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