



TRENDS!

Switchblade Suicide Drone Attack A Russian Tank In Ukraine



The drone-camera footage is among the first recorded instance of an AeroVironment Switchblade loitering munitions being employed by Ukrainian forces.



Massive Drone Swarm Over Strait Decisive In Taiwan Conflict Wargames



Air Force and independent think tank simulations show giant drone swarms are key to defeating China's invasion of Taiwan.



Loitering Munition im Ukrainekrieg



Übersicht über Loitering Munition, welche auf russischer bzw. ukrainischer Seite im Ukrainekrieg verwendet wird.





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UKRAINE-Special: Russian General Officer Guide



Russian General Officer Guide

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Current command structure of the Russian Armed Forces including key officers in the Russian General Staff (Commander, chief of staff, and deputy commander for Russia's four main military districts and their subordinate army and corps-level formations)



Counterterrorism from the Sky?

Counterterrorism from the Sky? How to Think Over the Horizon about Drones



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The Issue

- The United States is shifting to "over-the-horizon" counterterrorism operations (OTH-CT) that rely on remotely piloted aircraft (RPAs) in countries where it lacks a ground presence. RPAs have been a preferred surveillance tool and strike platform, but significant concerns remain regarding the decision to deploy them in future counterterrorism operations.
- RPAs have caused collateral civilian casualties, eroding U.S. legitimacy and providing cause for recruitment into extremist organizations. Without an on-the-ground presence, the possibility of inadequate intelligence and misanalysis could further undermine the effectiveness of RPA-based OTH-CT missions.

This brief attempts to bridge the gulf in understanding and approach to remotely piloted aircrafts utilization, especially for counterterrorism reasons, between the advocacy community, congressional leaders, and military planners.

