A 4th industrial revolution is beginning that will fuse technologies to blur the lines between the physical, digital and biological spheres. The pace of change is often rapid, affecting many sectors and transforming management, as well as production and distribution. Responses to these challenges must engage public-private, whole-of-society, and trans-national stakeholders in comprehensive, integrated ways. They will raise significant national security challenges.

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