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CYBERSPACE SOLARIUM COMMISSION OVERVIEW

- The Cyberspace Solarium Commission will work to develop a consensus on a strategic approach to protecting the crucial advantages of the United States in cyberspace.
- The Commission's membership will be thirteen individuals who have demonstrated knowledge, expertise, and experience in both cyberspace and national security fields. Members will be: Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence, Deputy Director of Homeland Security, Deputy Secretary of Defense, three members appointed by Senate majority leader, two members appointed by Senate minority leader, three members appointed by Speaker of the House of Representatives, and two members appointed by minority leader of the House.
- The Commission's duties are fourfold:
 1. To weigh the costs and benefits of various strategic options to reach the goal of protecting the crucial advantages of the United States in cyberspace, including the political system of the United States, the national security industrial sector of the United States, and the innovation base of the United States, against the attempts of adversaries to erode such advantages. The options to be assessed should include deterrence, norms-based regimes, and cyber persistence.
 2. To review adversarial strategies and intentions, current programs to protect the crucial advantages of the United States in cyberspace against the attempts of adversaries to erode such advantages, and the capabilities of the Federal Government to understand if and how adversaries are currently being deterred or thwarted in their aims and ambitions.
 3. To evaluate the current allocation of resources for understanding adversarial strategies and intentions to protect the crucial advantages of the United States in cyberspace against the attempts of adversaries to erode such advantages.
 4. To consider possible structures and authorities that need to be established, revised, or augmented within the Federal Government.
- Not later than September 1, 2019, the Commission shall submit its final report and findings to the congressional defense committees, the congressional intelligence committees, the Director of National Intelligence, and the Secretary of Defense, and the Director of Homeland Security.

"We don't have a playbook. It's time to draft one."
