

## **Cybersecurity Risks to the Space Domain**

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## **Importance to Space Stability**

- Increasing number of and diversity in new actors, concurrent with increasing importance of space in daily activities globally
- Stability rests upon reliable and predictable access to space
- Lack of clarity of the cause when satellite capabilities disappear



## **Cyber as a Counterspace Option**

- Space capabilities become an attractive target for counterspace efforts
  - Kinetic attacks less likely option
  - Electronic warfare/cyber attack seen as more usable
- Destabilizing because laws of armed conflict for space are unclear
  - International law and military rules of engagement still being worked out
  - Manual on International Law Applicable to Military Uses of Space (MILAMOS)

- Possible cyberattacks: jamming, spoofing, attacks on ground infrastructure
  - Can be done by state and non-state actors
- Already seeing interference with satellites
- New entrants to space means new entry points for attacks
- Blurring of lines between different types of satellites means hard to ensure resiliency
  - Example: hosted national security payloads on commercial launch vehicles

- Many satellites are old and based on even older technology
- Increased use of commercial-off-the-shelf allows for possible entry
- Internet of Things (IoT) means that a lot more devices are going to be connected

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- Manage risk
- Share information about interference
- Make cybersecurity efforts become the norm for space-related companies
- Improve space situational awareness
- Strengthen the supply chain

- Development of a multilateral space and cybersecurity regime
  - Flexible approach
  - Incorporate all actors
- Discussions in international fora
  - United Nations Committee on Peaceful Uses of Outer Space
  - Group of Governmental Experts on Transparency and Confidence-Building Measures in Outer Space Activities (GGE-Space)
  - Group of Governmental Experts in the Field of Information and Telecommunication in the Context of International Security (GGE-Cyber)

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#### **Chatham House**

 September 2016 publication: "Space, the Final Frontier for Cybersecurity?"

- Recommendations for cybersecurity
  - Raising awareness
  - Encourage vigilance
  - Recognize vulnerabilities
  - Build in resilience and measured responses
  - Regulatory requirements
  - Establishment of good practice



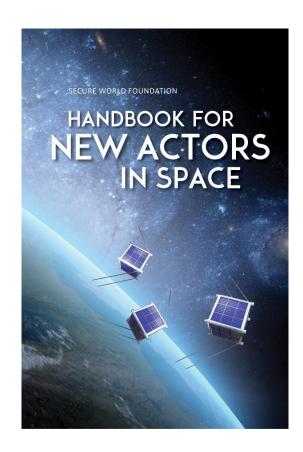
## **SWF Handbook for New Actors in Space**

Promoting Cooperative Solutions for Space Sustainability

 Goal: Create a publication that provides an overview fundamental principles, laws, norms, and best practices for safe, predictable, and responsible activities in space

#### Two specific audiences:

- Countries developing space programs and/or having to oversee and regulate their first satellites
- Universities and start-up companies that are developing/operating satellites



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#### Chapter 1: The International Framework for Space Activities

- Freedom and Responsibility
- Registration of Space Objects
- International Frequency Management
- Remote Sensing
- International Standards
- International Export Control
- International Liability
- Dispute Settlement
- Environmental Issues
- Advanced Issues

#### Chapter 2: National Space Policy and Administration

- Public Policy
- Public Administration and National Oversight
- Case Study: Remote Sensing Policy and Administration

#### Chapter 3: Responsible Space Operations

- Pre-launch
- Launch
- On-orbit
- End-of-life



## **Handbook Next Steps**

- The Handbook was officially released in February 2017
- Electronic copies are available on the SWF website, free of charge, at <u>www.swfound.org/handbook</u>
- Printed copies are also available through Amazon
- Feedback is welcome!



## **Questions?**

Thanks.

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