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BLUF — Posture (capability): ROK JCS detected several DPRK missiles from Sondok on 4 Nov (CNA) as Taiwan flagged 100+ PLA and coast guard ships and a 2026-high 49 sorties (SCMP). Democrats took Congress, putting Golden Dome funding in question (Payload). Partnership (train): Malabar opens 5 Nov off Honshu. Needs attention: SDA and ISR allocation against concurrent DPRK and PLA activity.

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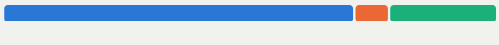

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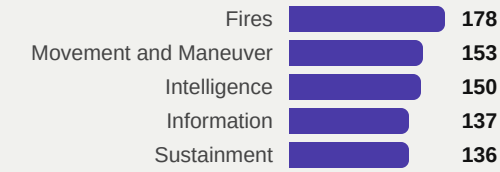

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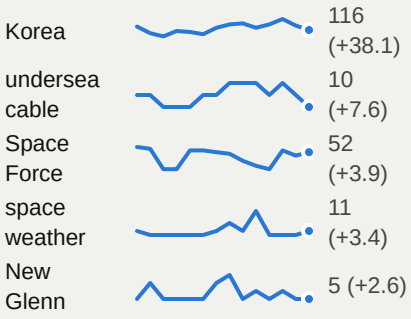

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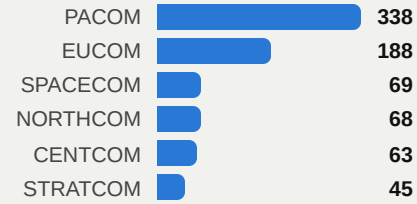

Posture

Force · Capability · C2 & authorities · Resilience

Taiwan flags massive PLA naval mobilisation, spike in air sorties

South China Morning Post (China) · 2026-11-03 **Capability** PACOM Intelligence China / PLA

Taiwan flagged 100+ PLA Navy and coast guard ships across the western Pacific, incl. Liaoning in the Philippine Sea, and 49 PLA sorties, a 2026 daily high (SCMP).

So what: Fleet-scale dispersal stretches SDA and ISR allocation across the theater.

North Korea fires several missiles into Sea of Japan

CNA (Asia) · 2026-11-03 **Capability** PACOM Fires DPRK

ROK JCS detected several missiles fired from Sondok toward the East Sea on 4 Nov (CNA); Tokyo issued no alert (Japan Times). Kim Yo Jong rejected US dialogue (UPI).

So what: Steady launch tempo keeps demand high on theater missile warning and SDA cueing.

Election 2026: Space Winners, Losers, and What's Next

Payload · 2026-11-04 **Capability** SPACECOM Sustainment Policy & Budget

Democrats took both chambers on 3 Nov, final margins still open; Payload says the result puts Golden Dome funding in question and brings new space committee leaders.

So what: A Golden Dome shift could change space-sensor plans that also serve theater warning.

Unraveling the Pentagon's quantum problem

Defense One · 2026-11-04 **Resilience** PACOM Protection Cyber Operations

At a TechNet panel in Honolulu, PACAF's cyber director urged crypto-agile networks; a June EO sets a 2030 PQC key-establishment deadline (Defense One).

So what: Harvest-now risk hits long-lived SATCOM and C2 links; inventory them before the deadline.

Starfish Loses Contact with Otter, Cutting SSPICY Short

Payload · 2026-11-04 **Capability** SPACECOM Movement and Maneuver On-Orbit Threats

Starfish lost Otter 24C when bus fault protection shut off its radio, ending NASA's $15M SSPICY inspection mission one month after launch (Payload).

So what: Starfish also holds an SDA deorbit contract; third-party bus faults are a supply-chain risk.

Emergency alerts hacking 'designed to undermine trust in government', expert says

France 24 (English) · 2026-11-02 **Resilience** EUCOM Information Cyber Operations

Cyberattacks pushed fake nuclear-strike warnings through alert systems in Russia and Ukraine; service is restored and the attacker is unknown (France 24, BBC).

So what: Spoofed alerts attack trust in warning; warning channels need authentication and a fallback.

Presence

Planning · C2 · Execution · Exercises

Cobra Warrior saw record land forces and autonomous aircraft

UK Defence Journal · 2026-11-04 Exercises EUCOM Command and Control Exercises

RAF's Cobra Warrior 26-2 ran 14 missions from Waddington against replicated adversary jamming and simulated cyber threats, across five domains incl. space (UKDJ).

So what: Trains crews to fight through jamming; a template for space-degraded Pacific events.

US Conducts Airstrikes on Iran, Latest in Series of Undisclosed Attacks

Air & Space Forces Magazine · 2026-11-03 Execution CENTCOM Fires USSF

US struck an air-defense site on Iran's Qeshm Island on 2 Nov; Trump said the US watched it being built. Officials cite other undisclosed strikes (A&SF Mag).

So what: A watch-then-strike cycle shows the ISR-to-fires demand that competes for HD/LD assets.

S. Korea will not be affected by NASA's Swift telescope crashing back to earth: KASA

Yonhap News (English) · 2026-11-03 Execution SPACECOM Intelligence On-Orbit Threats

KASA said Swift's fall will not affect South Korea (Yonhap). USSF's predicted 0830Z 4 Nov reentry passed with no confirmation in the feeds as of 1550Z (Spaceflight Now).

So what: Reentry prediction is a live SDA task; confirmation closes the debris watch at sea.

Partnership

Share → Plan → Train → Operate → Depend

U.S., Partner Nations to Hold Annual Malabar Naval Exercise Near Japan

USNI News · 2026-10-29 Train PACOM Movement and Maneuver Allies & Partners

US, Australia, India and Japan hold Malabar 2026 south of Honshu 5-12 Nov; Japan sends JS Ise, JS Mogami, a submarine and a P-1 (USNI News).

So what: Repeat Quad training holds at Train; an opening to add space support to the maritime fight.

Space networking startup closes $375M Series C raise, bringing valuation to $2B

Inside Defense · 2026-11-02 Share SPACECOM Command and Control USSF

Northwood closed a $375M Series C at a $2B valuation to build its ground network; it holds a nearly $50M USSF Satellite Control Network contract (Inside Defense).

So what: Commercial antennas could add SCN capacity; a contract is Share, not yet Depend.

Thailand reaches for the stars as Southeast Asia's space ambitions grow

CNA (Asia) · 2026-11-03 Share PACOM Sustainment Allies & Partners

Thailand plans a launch facility and a domestic satellite industry; experts say investment and commercial demand remain major challenges (CNA).

So what: A treaty ally is building space capacity; early data sharing would start the progression.

UK to lead multinational military training exercise to prepare for peace in Ukraine

UK Ministry of Defence · 2026-11-02 Train EUCOM Command and Control Allies & Partners

UK-led Exercise Koalicja runs 9-22 Nov in Poland with 2,800 troops from 11 nations to test multinational C2, movement and supply (UK MOD, UKDJ).

So what: A FVEY ally rehearses coalition C2 outside the AOR; a lessons source for combined planning.

USS Warrior Arrives in Chattogram for CARAT Bangladesh 2026

USINDOPACOM · 2026-11-02 Train PACOM Sustainment Allies & Partners

USS Warrior (MCM-10) arrived in Chattogram on 1 Nov for CARAT Bangladesh 2026 with the Bangladesh Navy, which runs 2-6 Nov (PACOM).

So what: Keeps Bangladesh at Train; the release shows no space content, an entry point for SPACEPAC.

WATCH LIST

- Long March 2C, unknown payload, Xichang 5 Nov 1600Z; Falcon 9 USSF-432 7 Nov 0046Z.
- Long March 12 with SatNet LEO group 8 Nov 2025Z; Falcon 9 USSF-627 10 Nov 0303Z.
- Swift reentry confirmation; Liaoning group in the Philippine Sea as Malabar runs 5-12 Nov.
- APEC Shenzhen 18-19 Nov: Beijing confirms talks on a Trump-Xi-Putin meeting; agenda not set.