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**2026-11-23**
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**BLUF** — Posture (resilience): Western intelligence warns Russia has built a nuclear-armed satellite and could launch it as soon as December (Bloomberg). Partnership: the U.S. pledged a $2B FMF loan to the Philippines and a Basco Airport upgrade on the Luzon Strait (USNI News). Presence (C2): the Army extended its Data Operations Center pilot to fix data access across security boundaries. Needs attention: the Russian launch window.

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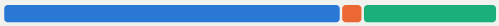

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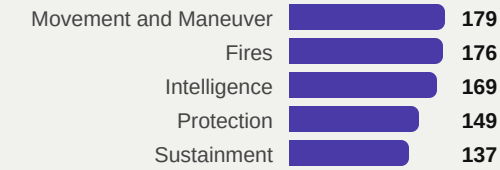


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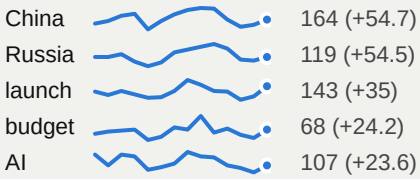


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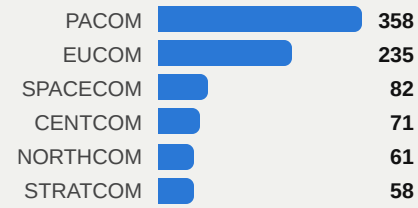


## Posture

Force · Capability · C2 & authorities · Resilience

### Allies Warn Russia May Launch Nuclear Space Weapon Next Month

Bloomberg (Politics) · 2026-11-23 Resilience · SPACECOM · Protection · On-Orbit Threats

Western intelligence agencies warn Russia has built a satellite designed to carry a nuclear warhead and could launch it as soon as December, Bloomberg reports.

**So what:** A nuclear burst in orbit would hit every LEO constellation; resilience plans must assume it.

### U.S. commission warns of China's efforts to track submarines from space

SpaceNews · 2026-11-18 Capability · PACOM · Intelligence · China / PLA

A U.S. commission warns China is working to track submarines from space (SpaceNews); War on the Rocks says China plans 2,200+ VLEO satellites by 2030.

**So what:** PRC space ISR growth widens the target set our counter-ISR capability must cover.

### GAO says Pentagon lacks a coordinated view of space supply-chain risks

SpaceNews · 2026-11-19 Capability · SPACECOM · Sustainment · USSF

A 17 Nov GAO report says DOD still lacks a coordinated view of military space supply-chain risks (SpaceNews, Inside Defense).

**So what:** Uncoordinated supply-chain risk can delay the theater sensing, SATCOM and PNT buys.

### China leaves 52 rocket bodies in orbit while building satellite networks

SpaceNews · 2026-11-20 Resilience · SPACECOM · Protection · China / PLA

China has left 52 rocket bodies in orbit while deploying its satellite networks, SpaceNews reports.

**So what:** More LEO debris raises collision risk to theater constellations and SDA workload.

### China’s fourth aircraft carrier, bigger than others and nuclear-powered, nears completion

Defense News · 2026-11-23 Force · PACOM · Movement and Maneuver · China / PLA

China's nuclear-powered Type 004 carrier, larger than Fujian, could launch in 2027 and carry 75 to 90 aircraft, analysts tell Defense News.

**So what:** A fourth PLA carrier adds maritime targets that theater space ISR and warning must track.

### Rocketdyne adapting propulsion tech for maneuverable military satellites

SpaceNews · 2026-11-20 Resilience · SPACECOM · Protection · Emerging Space Tech

Rocketdyne is adapting its propulsion technology for maneuverable military satellites, SpaceNews reports.

**So what:** Maneuver propulsion lets satellites evade threats, hardening theater space links.

## Presence

Planning · C2 · Execution · Exercises

### Army plans to extend ADOC pilot until October 2027

Inside Defense · 2026-11-20 C2 Command and Control Emerging Space Tech

The Army extended its Data Operations Center pilot to Oct. 2027; officials say the Army still has a data access problem across security boundaries (Inside Defense).

**So what:** Space data must cross the same boundaries to reach the Army commanders who need it.

### Delayed $100M search for multidomain UxS control still moving forward, DOD says

Inside Defense · 2026-11-20 Execution Command and Control Emerging Space Tech

DOD says its $100M Autonomous Vehicle Orchestrator, for one operator to run mixed unmanned fleets across domains, is still advancing (Inside Defense).

**So what:** Multidomain drone control rides on SATCOM and PNT; space support must sync with it.

## Partnership

Share → Plan → Train → Operate → Depend

### U.S. Commits $2B Defense Loan for Philippine Military, Luzon Strait Development

USNI News · 2026-11-23 Plan PACOM Fires Allies & Partners

The U.S. pledged the Philippines a $2B FMF loan, incl. C2 and long-range fires, and a Basco Airport upgrade near Taiwan (USNI); S&S says two drone boats were handed over.

**So what:** Funded Batanes access and C2 buys move the Philippine alliance from Plan toward Operate.

### Pentagon moves to limit social activities with Canadian troops

Task & Purpose · 2026-11-22 Operate NORTHCOM Command and Control Allies & Partners

A classified Hegseth memo curbs U.S. troops' social and conference contact with Canadians; DOD says NORAD, intel and NATO ties are exempt (Task & Purpose).

**So what:** NORAD warning stays at Operate; less informal contact thins FVEY space planning ties.

### U.S. senators call for deeper military space ties with New Zealand

SpaceNews · 2026-11-18 Share PACOM Command and Control Allies & Partners

U.S. senators are pressing the Pentagon to deepen military space ties with New Zealand, SpaceNews reports.

**So what:** Congressional backing could move NZ military space ties from Share toward Plan.

### South Korean President Lee Jae Myung nominates new foreign minister, spy chief amid US worries

The Straits Times (Asia) · 2026-11-22 Share PACOM Intelligence Japan / ROK

ROK President Lee nominated a new foreign minister and spy chief to manage the U.S. alliance and ties with North Korea amid U.S. concerns (Straits Times).

**So what:** New ROK leads will set the pace of alliance intel and space data sharing.

### Japan's new spy bureau faces a long road to Five Eyes

Nikkei Asia · 2026-11-22 Share PACOM Intelligence Japan / ROK

A Nikkei Asia commentary says Japan's new intelligence bureau faces a long road to Five Eyes membership.

**So what:** Japan's path to FVEY sets how far theater space intel sharing can go.

### Streeting hosts China’s defence minister in rare visit

UK Defence Journal · 2026-11-22 Share EUCOM Intelligence China / PLA

Wes Streeting hosted PRC defence minister Adm. Dong Jun, the first such UK visit in 26 years, calling reliable channels a strategic necessity (UKDJ).

**So what:** A FVEY ally opening a PRC military channel may shape how it shares theater space data.

**WATCH LIST**

- USSF-266 Falcon 9, Vandenberg, 24 Nov 1555Z; Shenzhou 24, 25 Nov 0018Z; CZ-2D 26 Nov; CZ-6A 27 Nov.
- Russian nuclear-armed satellite: launch possible in December per Bloomberg; confirm via official sources.
- COSMOS 1503 vs DMSP F13 debris: Pc 5.1e-3 at 60 m, TCA 24 Nov 1627Z, per 18 SDS screening.
- Taipei local elections 28 Nov; Taiwan's MAC warns PRC interference is growing more sophisticated.