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### [The Ground Weapon Systems of the Republic of Korea Army](#)

This paper offers an in-depth look at South Korea's military modernization efforts. It focuses on key upgrades to ground weapon systems, including armored personnel carriers, infantry fighting vehicles, and advanced artillery. These enhancements are critical to addressing evolving security threats posed by North Korea's growing missile and nuclear capabilities, as well as China's expanding military presence in the region. South Korea's modernization not only bolsters its defense readiness but also establishes the nation as a key player in the global arms industry.



### [South Korea's Fighter Jet Programs](#)

This paper explores South Korea's T-50 Golden Eagle and KF-21 Boramae fighter jet programs and how they have positioned the nation as a key player in the aerospace industry. These advanced aircraft not only fulfill the Republic of Korea Air Force's needs but also attract global interest, reflecting South Korea's commitment to technological innovation and self-reliance. This emergence as a reliable defense partner underscores the country's self-sufficiency in military aviation and paves the way for enhanced international cooperation and export opportunities.



### [The Rise of China's People's Liberation Army Navy](#)

China's People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) has become the world's largest navy by fleet size, undergoing significant transformation since its establishment in 1949. The PLAN now boasts a formidable array of nuclear and diesel-electric submarines, along with a substantial fleet of destroyers. Technologically, the PLAN is closing the gap with major navies like the United States and Russia. With ongoing advancements, the PLAN is set to further strengthen its global maritime presence, reflecting China's strategic goals.



### [Sixth-Generation Jet Fighter Development Programs](#)

This paper highlights the collaborative efforts among major powers to develop sixth-generation fighters. These advanced aircraft are designed to integrate artificial intelligence, enhanced stealth, hypersonic weapons, and manned-unmanned teaming to ensure air superiority and will revolutionize air combat. With a deployment in the 2030s, these fighters promise to set new standards in aerial warfare and reshape the future of military aviation.

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### **The United States Policy on Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (LAWS)**

The 2023 update to the U.S. Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 establishes new guidelines for LAWS, incorporating ethical frameworks and oversight mechanisms to regulate their development and use. These AI-powered systems, capable of identifying and engaging targets without human intervention, represent a significant shift in modern warfare. The directive aims to ensure compliance with International Humanitarian Law while maintaining U.S. technological superiority. It underscores the balance between autonomy and human judgment, marking a pivotal step in the ethical deployment of advanced military technology.



### **Book Burning: A study of its necessity to be classified as a Human Rights Violation and the role Society requires to play to contain it**

Is book burning an act of free speech or a grave violation of human rights? While some see it as personal expression, history shows it often serves as a tool for censorship and cultural suppression. This paper examines the tension between freedom of expression and preserving cultural heritage, highlighting the need for stronger global measures to protect intellectual and cultural diversity for future generations.



### **Peace in the era of GenAI - Considerations for a new paradigm**

Climate change and its adverse impacts are expected to significantly alter global migration patterns internally within countries and across borders. Therefore, does the European Union's legislative framework possess the tools to address the ensuing protection challenges effectively? This paper aims to provide an overview of the existing legal instruments within the EU, encompassing interpretations of regional protection schemes and replicable national best practices. Doing so establishes a foundation for future policy developments focused on protecting climate migrants.



### **The Rise of BRICS**

This paper explores the evolving geopolitical landscape shaped by the BRICS alliance—Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa. It analyzes how these emerging powers are challenging Western-dominated institutions like the IMF and World Bank while proposing alternatives that give developing economies a greater voice. The paper delves into the strategic balance between cooperation and competition, examining the recent expansion of BRICS and its potential to reshape global power dynamics. It highlights the alliance's aim to establish a fairer economic system for the Global South.



### **Swiss' Posture in the Current Geopolitics: A Balanced Accommodation**

Switzerland has long been a symbol of neutrality; however, shifting geopolitical realities are challenging its traditional stance. This paper explores how the country is reassessing its neutrality amid growing global tensions. With closer ties to NATO and the EU sparking debate, Switzerland must navigate between strategic security interests and its historic role as a neutral mediator. This paper examines the complexities of Swiss foreign policy and its evolving position on the global stage.

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