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# The Evolution of Precision Strike

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The proliferation of precision-strike capabilities may soon challenge the U.S. military's ability to project power overseas and alter America's role in the world, argues a new report published by the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments.

In *The Evolution of the Precision Strike*, CSBA Senior Fellow Barry Watts takes a look at the precision weapons, advanced sensors, and targeting networks being developed by prospective competitors and considers how it may affect vital U.S. Security interests.

Watts warns of the danger that these anti-access/area-denial (A2/AD) capabilities will create "no-go" zones for U.S. forces, particularly in Asia and the Middle East. Watts concludes that in such a world the United States would either have to find alternative ways to project military power accept progressively greater limits on its ability to intervene where vital American interests may be at risk.