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Trump's Military Build-Up to Spark GOP Civil War

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Katherine Blakeley, a defense analyst at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, said Republicans are likely to try to attach a defense supplemental to the broader fiscal 2017 appropriations bill, which needs to be passed by April 28 to avoid a federal government shutdown. That move would put maximum pressure on reluctant lawmakers in both parties to support additional funding for the military. "The more leverage you can put on any one pivot point," she said, "the greater the likelihood it will come through by hook or by crook."