

AI and Nuclear War: A Test of Human Control

The world’s top nuclear powers face a new frontier — can AI be trusted with survival?

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A standing trilateral dialogue on AI and nuclear strategic stability

Proposed Mechanism

The article proposes a new framework to prevent AI from undermining nuclear deterrence.

This mechanism would bring together diplomatic, military, nuclear-security, and technological officials from the U.S., China, and Russia. Its goal is not to ban AI but to establish guardrails around its use in nuclear command-and-control systems.

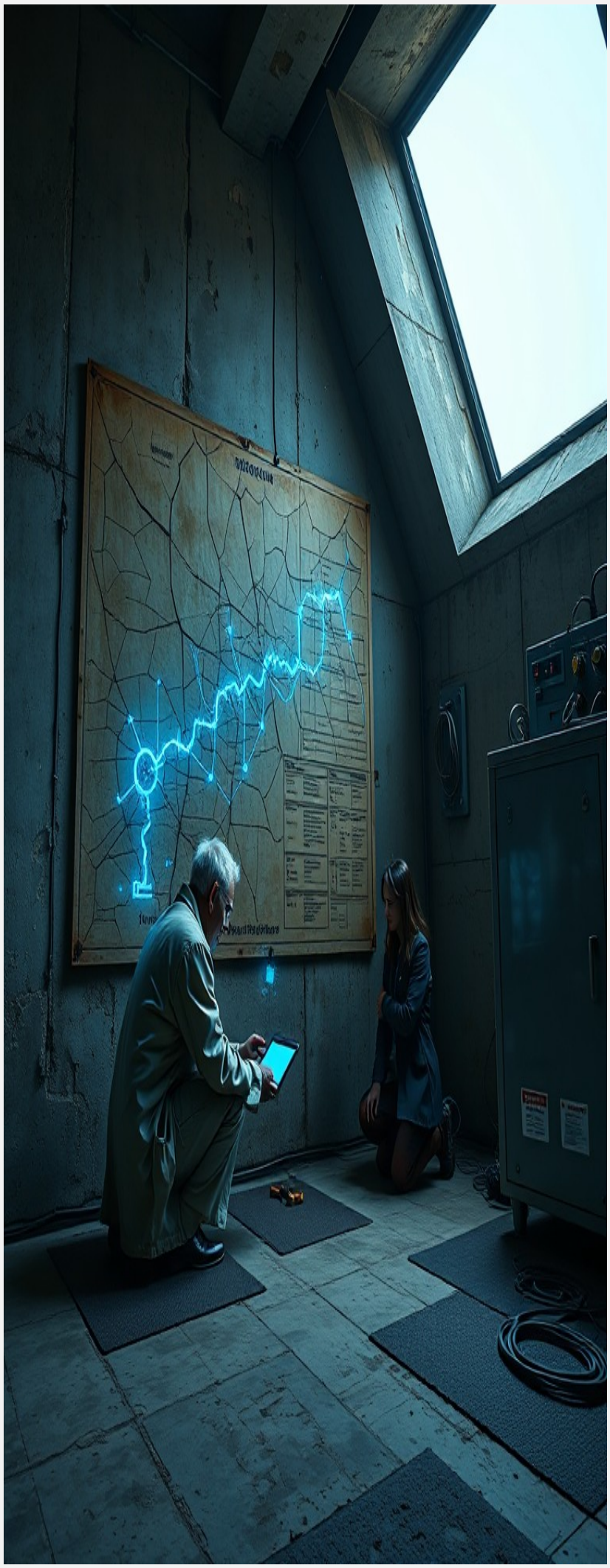


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AI Threatens Deterrence, Not Just Weapons

The real danger isn’t AI-enabled nuclear weapons — it’s AI’s ability to distort early warning signals, simulate cyber intrusions, or misinterpret intent. A false alarm from an AI-assisted system could trigger a response before leaders understand the threat, eroding the very foundation of nuclear stability.



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Human Judgment Must Be Non-Negotiable

The article argues that the only sustainable rule across conflicting political systems is a universal principle: no government should gamble with humanity’s survival. For the AI in Nuclear Energy Council, this means embedding 'human-in-the-loop' protocols not as a formality, but as a mandatory, auditable requirement in all AI-assisted nuclear decision pathways.

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