

Trump Is Right to Bide His Time in Renewing a Nuclear Treaty with Russia

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Far from panicking, Washington should use negotiations with Moscow to begin addressing heretofore neglected nuclear threats.

Next February, the New START (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty), which limits U.S. and Russian strategic nuclear weapons, will expire. With the demise of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty last year following Russian violations, and Moscow's flouting of other treaties meant to limit U.S.-Russian competition, the lapse of New START could be the final nail in the coffin of the post-Cold War arms-control regime. That prospect has raised alarms on Capitol Hill, where Republicans and Democrats alike find themselves in the unusual position of joining Russian President Vladimir Putin in urging the Trump administration to renew the treaty. Yet President Trump is right to hesitate...

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