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1. WIRED - DANGER ROOM:

[Navy Preps to Build a Robot Ship That Blows Up Mines](#): “The Navy's next wave of robots will take on one of the most dangerous missions on the open water: destroying mines.”

2. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY:

[Most Popular CIMSEC Stories of 2012](#): “Here are our top pieces of 2012 as determined by you, our readers, based on the number of times the articles were accessed.”

3. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION:

[Crowdsourcing the HASC Seapower and Projection Forces Subcommittee's 2013 Agenda](#): “While we are working to build our 2013 priorities list, I thought I would try and use this particular group to help generate a memo I am building for my boss on the issues the Seapower and Projection Forces community feel are most important... “

4. SMALL WARS JOURNAL:

[What Caesar Told His Centurions: Lessons of Classical Leadership and Discipline for a Post-modern Military](#): “What I offer here is a historical perspective to our current problems and a few lessons learnt over centuries of campaigning by the Roman Army. Although far removed from us by space and time, their concerns were the same as ours.”

5. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

AOL DEFENSE:

[New Capabilities, New Constraints Call For New Concepts In 2013](#): “How can we resolve these competing paradigms of defense investment in an era of constrained resources? The answer lies in addressing three separate, but fundamentally related issues.”

BUSINESS INSIDER:

[Misteps By CIA's Shadowy Military Wing Highlight The Agency's Troubling Shift To Militancy](#): “In the years since the Afghanistan invasion, the CIA, long a covert intelligence gathering body, entered a phase of growing militancy that has rendered headline after headline in U.S. mainstream media — and that's due in no small part to its relationship with military operators.”

[Every Jet Fighter In The US Today Is A Result Of The Navy's FJ Fury](#): “The Fury was just mildly faster than propeller driven planes and was armed with only machine guns, but it help lead to the creation of all the other military jets that followed.”

[The US Military's 'Bath Salts' Prevention Video Is Completely Terrifying](#): “ABC's Lee Ferran astutely points out that the Navy's new Public Service Announcement is a "disturbing dramatization" — likely aimed at psychologically deterring troops from experimenting with the drug, while in the meantime administrators put into legislation an adequate urine or blood testing apparatus.”

DEFENSE TECH:

[Congress questions low UAV pilot promotion rates](#): “Air Force pilots feared that a transition to flying drones could have harmful effects on their career. Many fought against being taken out of the air and stuck on the ground.”

THE ATLANTIC (JAMES FALLOWS):

[The Places You'll Go](#): “Google's Michael Jones talks with James Fallows about the future of mapping, and why you'll never be lost again.”

NEW ATLANTICIST:

[Time for Strategic Learning](#)

THE NAVAL DIPLOMAT:

[Hainan's New Maritime Regulations: An Update](#): “The complete text of the new regulations confirm my preliminary analysis; China is unlikely to significantly increase efforts to interfere with freedom of navigation, including expelling or seizing foreign vessels.”