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Information Warfare Vignette

The information dimension is constantly changing with the explosion of data and hyper-connectedness enabled by social media, the Internet of Things, and emerging technologies. Weaponized information will permeate our daily existence, fundamentally changing how we compete and fight. Today, actors seek to spread false information quickly in order to erode public trust in traditional alliances and institutions. In the near future, a comprehensive assault on authenticity could be achieved through disruptive technologies like deep fakes, artificial influencers, AI-generated news and dialogue, and virtual/augmented reality.

GUIDELINES
Deadline for submission is 1 July 2020

- Submissions must be unclassified, unpublished, and cleared by your public affairs office and operations security managers (USG & as applicable).

- Maximum length: 500 words / 12 point font.

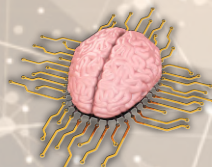- Team or individual entries welcome.

IDEAS FOR VIGNETTES:

- Emerging technologies and how they might be used to shape the battlespace and societies prior to conflict.

- Use of Information Warfare to slow, degrade, impede, or prevent decision making and force projection.

- Novel ways current and future technology will shape narratives and perceived realities.

- Information Warfare on the battlefield for deception or to create tactical/operational surprise.

NOTE: Open to all - NO Department of Defense affiliation required. Contributors shape the Army's view of the operational environment and the changing character of warfare.

Best vignette will be invited to present at a virtual MadSci event this summer!

*Looking for ideas? Explore the Mad Sci Lab: https://madsciblog.tradoc.army.mil
and check out The Information Environment: Competition & Conflict
*Selected entries will be highlighted in a future episode
of "The Convergence" – Army Mad Scientist Podcast.*

Send your submissions and questions to: MADSCITRADOC@gmail.com