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**MEDIA ALERT: REAGAN INSTITUTE HOSTS PANEL ON THE ROLE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SHOULD PLAY IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY**

*Rep. Michael Waltz, Dr. Mara Karlin, and Mr. David Spirk from Reagan Institute Innovation Partner Palantir Technologies to Discuss How Policymakers Should Think About AI*

**WASHINGTON, DC** – The Ronald Reagan Institute’s program on the National Security Innovation Base will host an event titled “Algorithms for Our Arsenal: Artificial Intelligence and the National Defense Strategy,” which will examine how the U.S. National Defense Strategy can prioritize the integration of AI into operational concepts, real-world exercises, operations, and defense systems.

The discussion will be moderated by Mr. **Josh Rogin** of The Washington Post and include Congressman **Michael Waltz** of the U.S. House of Representatives, Dr. **Mara Karlin**, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategies, Plans, and Capabilities also Performing the Duties of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and Mr. **David Spirk**, Senior Counselor at Palantir Technologies and former Chief Data Officer at the Department of Defense.

The event is the second public convening of the Reagan Institute’s National Security Innovation Base (NSIB) program, following the inaugural NSIB Summit this spring. The Reagan Institute is pleased to work with Palantir as its official innovation partner.

**What:** Algorithms for Our Arsenal: Artificial Intelligence and the National Defense Strategy

**Who:** **Rep. Michael Waltz** (R-FL)  
**Dr. Mara Karlin**, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategies, Plans, and Capabilities also Performing the Duties of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy  
**Mr. David Spirk**, Senior Counselor at Palantir Technologies and former Chief Data Officer at the Department of Defense  
**Mr. Josh Rogin**, Columnist for the Global Opinions section of The Washington Post and Political Analyst with CNN

**When:** 4:30 PM ET, Wednesday, September 20

**Where:** Ronald Reagan Institute  
850 16th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20006

**For in-person attendance, media must RSVP to [harrington@invariantgr.com](mailto:harrington@invariantgr.com).**

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