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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in.

Riding the Acquisition Innovation Avalanche
March 19, 2018 | Tim Cooke

You know a transformation is afoot when the Navy chooses as its acquisition chief a man known as "Hondo," who is famous for an Iron Man exoskeleton project and a "Thunderdrone" UAV tournament.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition James "Hondo" Geurts is the father of SOFWERX, the U.S. Special Forces Command's technology incubator, where the super suit and the drone coliseum are housed. SOFWERX is dedicated to fomenting creative collisions among divergent thinkers, and Geurts is the personification of the most expansive explosion of innovative in federal acquisition in a quarter century.

As Geurts often says, we are in the Age of Surprise. Timelines are shorter. The technology gap between the United States and its adversaries is disappearing. The Armed Forces need to be able to respond as quickly to unforeseen problems as the ones they've trained for. They must bring multiple perspectives to bear on challenges mounting at an ever-increasing pace. Shaping government procurement for the Age of Surprise is a primary focus of the Trump administration. "To succeed in 21st century geopolitical competition, America must lead in research, technology, and innovation . . . We must harness innovative technologies that are being developed outside of the traditional defense industrial base," said the National Defense Strategy released in January.

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The Military Race for Space Will Turn on the Ability to Choose Commercial Services
March 16, 2018 | Patrick Tucker

DoD cloud strategy: Stifling innovation in the name of innovation
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