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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.

How GSA turned an automation project into an acquisition time-saver
March 29, 2018 | Jory Heckman

As the federal government looks to modernize the way it buys things, making the process faster and cost-effective, the General Services Administration is looking at ways to automate aspects of the automation process.

Jeff Lau, the acting regional commissioner for the Northeast and Caribbean region of GSA's Federal Acquisition Service, says robotic process automation (RPA) could save the acquisition workforce from having to waste time on administrative "cutting and pasting" tasks.

Those automation tools, he said, could help contracting officers at a time when the workforce is shrinking.

"I've seen the workforce shrink over the last five-to-10 years. When I first started my career at GSA, there was a lot more opportunity to do training. Now we're heads-down, doing the work, because if they're not doing the work, who else is? I think there's an opportunity for us to provide training with their freed-up time, to develop them into a more well-rounded acquisition workforce," Lau said Tuesday at event sponsored by the American Council for Technology and Industry Advisory Council (ACT-IAC).

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Other Articles of Interest

General Dynamics' CSRA acquisition cleared for take-off as CACI withdraws bid
March 28, 2018 | Amelia Brust

Is Amazon The Lone Frontrunner For A $10 Billion Pentagon Cloud Contract?
March 28, 2018 | Frank Konkel

TRADOC boss: Today's soldiers have lost their edge against our enemies
March 28, 2018 | Meghann Myers

CACI backs down, clearing way for General Dynamics to buy CSRA
March 28, 2018 | Daniel Cebul

Why the Army is wary of other transaction authority
March 28, 2018 | Lauren C. Williams

Army details timeline for Short Range Air Defense system contract and prototype
March 28, 2018 | Jen Judson

Is $100 million enough to fund MGT projects?
March 28, 2018 | Chase Gunter

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March 28, 2018 | Dan Chenok

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