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'The Security Impact of Drones: Implications for the SDSR'

Speakers:

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Chair, Birmingham Policy Commission, formerly Director of GCHQ

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Professor Nicholas J Wheeler

Director of the ICCS, academic lead of the Birmingham Policy Commission

Chair: David Davis MP

1.30pm-3pm Tuesday 20 October 2015 Macmillan Room, Portcullis House

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be served from 1pm for a 1.30pm meeting start.

One year on from the publication of the landmark Birmingham Policy Commission 'The Security Impact of Drones', the Government's use of military drones is changing fast. On 4 October, the Prime Minister announced the purchase of 20 armed 'Protector' drones, formerly known as Certified Predator Bs. The enhanced armed drone fleet - and covert high value targeting - is set to become the major arm of a new 'counter-terrorism strategy' against ISIL outside the operational theatre for UK forces approved by parliament. The APPG on Drones, the APPG on Global Security and Non-Proliferation, RUSI and the ICCS are pleased to host a meeting to consider the implications of the findings of the Birmingham Policy Commission for the Strategic Defence and Security Review.

All members of both Houses and their staff are welcome to attend.