

# Military Creating Cyber Warfare Branch

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A separate branch dedicated to cyber warfare is being created in the Russian Armed Forces since the Internet could become a new "theater of war" in the near future, a senior Russian military R&D official said.

"Cyber space is becoming our priority ... the decision to create a cyber-security command and a new branch of the armed forces has already been made," said Andrei Grigoryev, the head of the recently created Foundation for Advanced Military Research, in an interview with Ekho Moskvyy radio on Monday.

The foundation, similar in its purpose to the U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), was set up in October last year to boost the development of advanced weaponry and help streamline the arms procurement process in Russia.

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