

Russian Deputy Prime Minister Rogozin Fears Robot-Launched Nuclear Strike

October 28, 2016



Stevendepolo / Flickr

Technological progress may lead to humans giving robots the power to press "the red button" and launch a nuclear strike. This was the warning Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Rogozin had for students and scientists during a meeting at the Tomsk Polytechnic University.

"The problem isn't that we will give in to NATO and the Americans," Rogozin said. "The problem is that man might give up the right to strike back to a machine. That's what I'm afraid of."

Rogozin told the students that at present, Russia is secure from a nuclear attack, but warned that in the near future, hypersonic warheads will be a game changer.

Earlier this week Rogozin said that the new Federation spacecraft, planned to launch in 2021, [will be piloted by androids](#).

Original url:

<https://www.themoscowtimes.com/2016/10/28/rogozin-fears-robots-could-launch-nuclear-strike-a5593>