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# Drones: All Abuzz with Privacy & Security Issues



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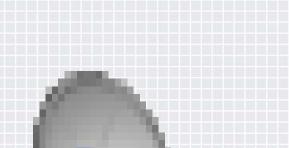
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#### Introduction



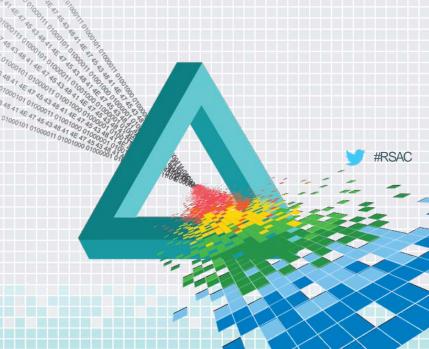




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#### I. The Technology



#### Flight Systems

- Drones
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV)
- Remotely Piloted Vehicle (RPV)
- Unmanned Aerial System (UAS)













#### **Technology Packages**

- Visual
  - Day Cameras
  - Infrared/Thermal
- Geo/Mapping
- Sound/Acoustic
- Weaponized
- Network/Receivers
- Radar



# NYPD considering using drones and gunshot detectors to fight crime

Police Commissioner Bill Bratton said Tuesday at a City Council committee hearing that he's 'supportive' of using drones.

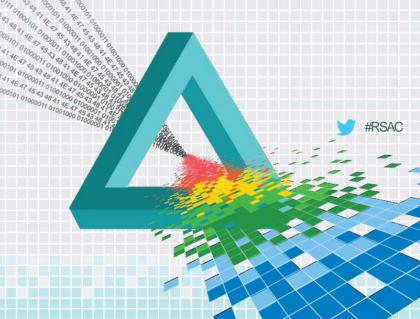




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#### **II. Laws & Issue Spotting**





#### **Federal Law**

- Private, recreational use is fine (with caveats)
  - Don't fly higher than 400 feet off the ground
  - Never lose line of sight with the vehicle
  - Make sure the drone weighs less than 55 pounds
  - Stay away from airports and other manned vehicles
- Commercial use is fine if approved by the FAA
  - Mapping, weddings, photography, real estate, movies
  - Certificate of Authorization or Waiver ("COA") to operate in national airspace
- Federal rulemaking (FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012) is due
   September 2015 draft rules out now









#### **Regulation and State Laws**

- Regulators:
  - Federal Aviation
     Administration (FAA)
  - Federal
     Communications
     Commission (FCC)
- Laws
- Ordinances
- Defensive rights









#### **Property or Trespass Laws**

- Expectation of privacy
  - Home & Curtilage
  - United States v. Causby
  - Kyllo v. United States
- Trespass
  - Navigable Airspace defined as ground to 500ft.
- Trespass to Chattels
  - Enjoyment of your space (airspace)



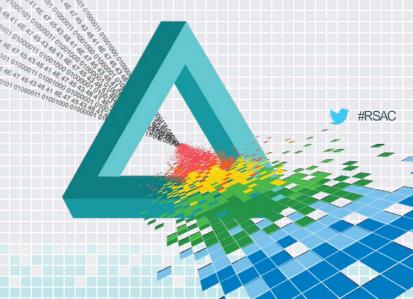




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#### **Commercial Use**

- Mapping/Geography/ Real Estate
- Medical/Rescues
- Security Enhancement
- Traffic
- Movies
- Liability
  - Air Space Considerations
  - 400 foot limits





















#### **Governmental Use**

 The U.S. military owns about 10,000 drones, from one-pound Wasps and four-pound Ravens to one-ton

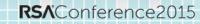
Predators and 15-ton Global Hawks.

- Surveillance
- Police/Rescue
- Criminal
- Environmental (Water, Gas, Poaching, Wildlife)
- Border Protection
- Payload Delivery











#### Governmental Use - Surveillance















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#### **Private Use**

- Fun
- Home Mapping
- Crops
- Protection? (if armed)
- Child Watching
- Memorializing Adventure/
   X Games









#### **Private Use – Real Estate**



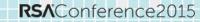




#### **Issues of Defense Against Drones**

- Hacking Them
- Interfere with Transmissions
- Commandeer Them
- Path of Destruction



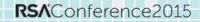




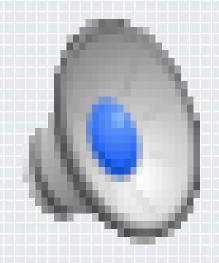
#### **Issues of Defense Against Drones – Hacking**







### **Issues of Defense Against Drones – Shoot Down**





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**IV. Implications** 





#### **Public Policy & Risk Mitigation**

- Public Policy:
  - Allowing the technology to develop
  - International competitiveness
- Risk Mitigations:
  - Understanding the visceral reactions
  - Addressing concerns
  - Maintaining viability









#### **Privacy**

- Home
  - Top Down
  - Windows
  - Personal space
- Security Issues
- Encryption Issues
- Data Retention
  - Length of retention
  - Onward use







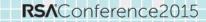


#### **Security**

- Home security
- Homeland security
- Townships
- Roads
- Safety Controls







#### **Apply Your Knowledge**

- Next week you should:
  - Determine if your company will be using drones either for business or personal reasons
  - Determine if your company is able to better secure or increase privacy protections for persons from drones
- In the first three months following this presentation you should:
  - Develop a program to oversee drone use by your company
  - Apply for all needed licenses
  - Review insurance coverage
  - Establish safety protocols and privacy protocols
- Within six months you should:
  - Review the new FAA commercial guidance
  - Have reviewed the policy for your company







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