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James Andrew Lewis directs the CSIS Technology and Public Policy program and is a senior fellow. Before joining CSIS, he was a career diplomat who worked on a range of national security issues during his federal service. Lewis's extensive diplomatic and regulatory experience includes negotiations on military basing in Southeast Asia, the Cambodia Peace Process, the Five Power Talks on Arms Transfer Restraint, the Wassenaar Arrangement, and several bilateral agreements on security and technology. Lewis was the head of delegation, Wassenaar Experts Group for advanced civil and military technologies, and a political adviser to U.S. Southern Command (for Just Cause), to U.S. Central Command (for Desert Shield), and to the U.S. Central American Task Force. He was responsible for the 1993 redrafting of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, the 1997 regulations implementing the Wassenaar Agreement, numerous regulations on high-performance computing and satellites, and the 1999 and 2000 regulations liberalizing U.S. controls on encryption products. Since coming to CSIS, he has authored numerous publications, including Globalization and National Security (2004), Spectrum Management for the 21st Century (2003), Perils and Prospects for Internet Self-Regulation (2002), Assessing the Risk of Cyber Terrorism, Cyber War, and Other Cyber Threats (2002), Strengthening Law Enforcement Capabilities for Counterterrorism (2001), Preserving America's Strength in Satellite Technology (2001), and China as a Military Space Competitor (forthcoming). His current research involves digital identity, innovation, military space, and China's information technology industry. In 2004, Lewis was elected the first chairman of the Electronic Authentication Partnership, an association of companies, nonprofits, and government organizations that develops rules for federated authentication. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1984.