

STATEMENT: On AI and Existential Risk

National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee (NAIAC)

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“Arguments about existential risk from AI should not detract from the necessity of addressing existing risks of AI. Nor should arguments about existential risk from AI crowd out the consideration of opportunities that benefit society.”

The National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee (NAIAC) advises the President and the White House National AI Initiative Office (NAIIO) on the intersection of AI and innovation, competition, societal issues, the economy, law, international relations, and other areas that can and will be impacted by AI in the near and long term. Their work guides the U.S. government in leveraging AI in a uniquely American way — one that prioritizes democratic values and civil liberties, while also increasing opportunity.

NAIAC was established in April 2022 by the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act. It first convened in May 2022. It consists of leading experts in AI across a wide range of domains, from industry to academia to civil society.

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