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Emerging Threats Division, Shea now shuttles between academic and security research posts in the United Kingdom and Brussels. "There’s been a pattern of Moscow trying out new electronic jamming and other forms of electronic warfare on the ground in Syria," he said. "The threats are clear, the techniques have been refined. Indeed, Russia has jammed or disrupted all kinds of communications vital to Western forces in Europe. The United States has never ratified the International Maritime Organization’s Convention on Maritime Safety. This is a blunder. But there is no country that is more sensitive than the United States to threats to its national security."

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