

## Exploring the Global Security Matrix

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*Instructions:* Work with your group members to answer the questions below. This activity is divided into three parts. First, you will define your threat and the risks it poses. Then you will find a source that illustrates your threat and its related risks. Finally, you will work with your group members to judge how serious your threat is to security.

### Part I

Define your assigned threat and describe how it affects each of the five actors. Do not copy the definitions in the matrix. Instead, work with your group members to create easy-to-understand definitions in your own words.

Threat:

1. How does it threaten security?
  - a. How does it affect humans?
  - b. How does it affect networks?
  - c. How does it affect states?
  - d. How does it affect systems?
  - e. How does it affect the world?



### Part III

Now consider how serious your threat is to security. On a scale of 1-10, with “1” being “no threat” and “10” being “enormous threat,” how greatly does your assigned threat affect the various actors? Work with your group members to rank the threat level for each actor, then answer the questions below.

<b>Humans</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Networks</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>States</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Systems</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>World</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>

1. Which actors did you rank as most threatened? Least threatened? Why?

2. Who do you think is most responsible for addressing your threat (state governments, international organizations, individuals)? What policies or actions would improve security? Consider how different policies might improve security on different levels. Keep your rankings in mind, but your policies should also reflect your values about whose security matters most.