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Statement on the Release of *Cyberspace Policy Review: Assuring a Trusted and Resilient Information and Communications Infrastructure*

Statement by Eugene Spafford, Chair of the USACM, the policy arm of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), on the remarks of President Obama and the release of the White House report, Cyberspace Policy Review: Assuring a Trusted and Resilient Information and Communications Infrastructure.

"The President hit many of the right notes in his remarks today on securing the nation's cyber structure. He referenced the growing importance to the economy; the threat to the country; the international nature of the threat; the criminal aspects; and the absolute necessity to focus on education in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) disciplines.

 "Missing from the report released today, *Cyberspace Policy Review: Assuring a Trusted and Resilient Information and Communications Infrastructure,* is any emphasis on funding, tools or support for better law enforcement; instead it is totally focused on passive defense. There is mention of the need for more research, but little is said about long-term and fundamental research. The focus continues to be on "game changing" ideas listed in the shorter term."

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