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### **"Resurgent Russian Nationalism: Implications for U.S. Policy"**

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Nicole Perloth and David E. Sanger, "[Cyberattacks Put Russian Fingers on the Switch at Power Plants, U.S. Says](#)," *The New York Times*, March 15, 2018. <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/15/us/politics/russia-cyberattacks.html>

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