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Global military spending is rising significantly across all regions driven by escalating geopolitical tensions, conflicts and security threats.

In 2024 alone, the spending reached a record high of \$2.7 trillion, representing a decade of continuous growth, yet global security continued to deteriorate and progress on the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) - the world's blueprint for a fair and equal world - has fallen short.

The UN Secretary-General's forthcoming report, ***The Security We Need: Rebalancing Military Spending for a Sustainable and Peaceful Future***, as requested by UN Member States in the [2024 Pact for the Future](#), will examine the impact of the global increase in military expenditure on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

WHO: UN High Representative for Disarmament **Izumi Nakamitsu** and Acting Administrator of the UN Development Programme **Haoliang Xu**

WHAT: Launch of the UN Secretary-General's report, ***The Security We Need: Rebalancing Military Spending for a Sustainable and Peaceful Future***

WHERE: Press Conference Room, UN Headquarters, New York

WHEN: 10 a.m. EST, Tuesday, 9 September 2025

The press conference will be streamed live on [UN Web TV](#). All documents will be available [here](#) on 9 September 2025 at 10 a.m. EST.

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