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Summary: The U.S. government said it had disrupted a uniquely dangerous and potentially life-threatening Chinese hacking operation that hijacked hundreds of infected routers and used them to covertly target American and allied critical infrastructure networks. Senior officials described the operation in unusually blunt terms as part of an evolving and increasingly worrisome campaign by Beijing to get a foothold in U.S. computer networks responsible for everything from safe drinking water to aviation traffic so it could detonate, at a moment's notice, damaging cyberattacks during a future conflict. [FBI Director] Wray said Chinese hackers had recently been spotted targeting "our water treatment plants, our electrical grid, our oil and natural gas pipelines, our transportation systems." Related: Volt Typhoon Targets US Critical Infrastructure with Living-Off-The-Land Techniques and The Next Global War and Why Xi Can No Longer Brag About the Chinese Economy

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