

## **U.S. accused Russia of trying to weaponize space - July 24, 2020**

The United States has accused Russia of conducting a test of an anti-satellite weapon in space that Washington fears could be used to threaten critical U.S. and allied satellites.

The Russian Defense Ministry said that a small space vehicle on July 15 inspected one of its satellites up close “using special equipment.” However, the U.S. said on July 23 that the craft had a different mission. President Donald Trump spoke with Russian President Vladimir Putin earlier in the day, but it is unclear if they discussed the July 15 event.