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Taiwan Builds Its Deterrence

FP Live: Inside Taiwan's Foreign Policy (Sep. 14, 2023)

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Taiwanese Foreign Minister Joseph Wu outlines Taiwan's multi-faceted approach to deter a potential Chinese invasion. Wu emphasizes the importance of asymmetric warfare and better training for both soldiers and citizens to bolster Taiwan's defense and sovereignty. He argues that a well-prepared Taiwan, backed by international support, serves as a strong deterrent against Chinese aggression. Wu also highlights the growing international backing for Taiwan, including concrete actions like freedom of navigation operations, even from countries without formal diplomatic ties to Taiwan. Amidst increasing Chinese military threats, Wu sees U.S. weapons transfers as crucial for Taiwan's self-defense. He also discusses the challenges and importance of building relations with like-minded, democratic nations to gain broader international support.



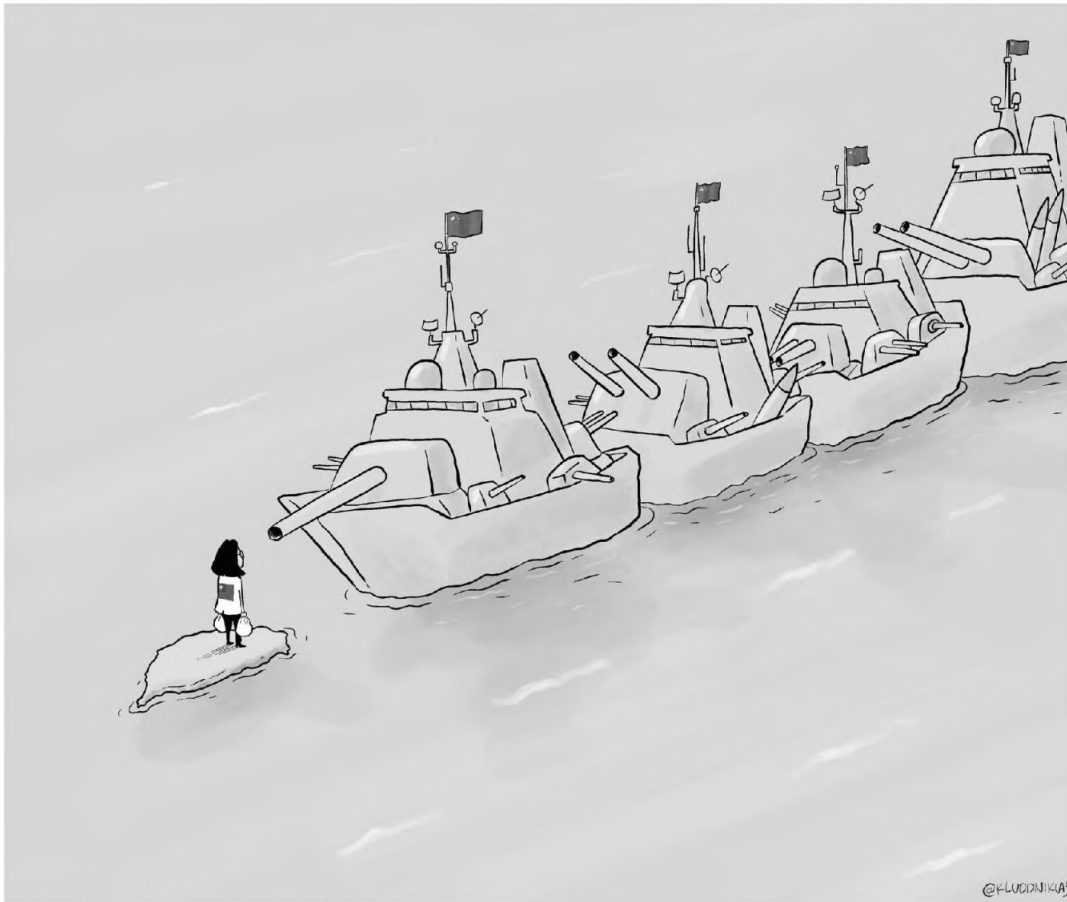
Source: <https://foreignpolicy.com/live/inside-taiwans-foreign-policy/>

Cartoon of the Day: Taiwan's Tank Woman (Sep. 14, 2023)

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Key Point:

- Swedish cartoonist [@KluddNiklas](#) created an illustration that was commissioned as part of Swedish journalist Jojje Olsson's new blog article on [Kinamedia](#), called "Satire: Taiwan's Tank Woman." Olsson wrote that Beijing's intimidation efforts "still fail to coerce the Taiwanese leadership or population"; "President Tsai embodies the 'spirit of the Tank Man,' serving as an obstacle to the CCP's attempt to escalate its violent authoritarianism in the region."



Source: <https://twitter.com/Kluddniklas>

VP Lai's Full English Speech at CALD's 30th Anniversary (Sep. 9, 2023)

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Key Point:

- Lai Ching-Te emphasizes the importance of democracy as a unifying force and discusses Taiwan's and CALD's shared commitment to promoting democratic values, especially in the face of rising authoritarianism in Asia.
- He introduces strategic plans like the "Four Pillars of Peace" and a new platform for values-based diplomacy, aiming to strengthen international partnerships and maintain peace and prosperity in the region.



Source: <https://www.facebook.com/chingte/posts/pfbid0BtEhvCfukHmYT4m4R2mrz8CkwZggJgDMfFe7rMe42wECUfHtp45YxuanVJRFBGsNI>

Our Intern, Angela, is leaving today. We're grateful to her for what she did for the DPP Washington Mission! We'll miss you :)

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