



Taiwan's Geopolitical Significance

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The US revised its Taiwan factsheet, omitting “**we do not support Taiwan independence**” and **backing Taiwan’s global participation**, drawing Taiwan’s support but China’s opposition.

- **Taiwan Relations Act (1979):** Promotes US-Taiwan ties, ensuring trade, cultural exchange, and defensive arms sales despite Beijing’s objections.
- **Significance of Taiwan:** Taiwan located in the [East China Sea](#), is crucial for regional trade, with the **Taiwan Strait** being a key global shipping route.
 - Additionally, Taiwan manufactures over **60% of the world's semiconductors** and around 90% of the most advanced chips, making it a critical player in the global tech supply chain.
- **China and Taiwan:** China follows the **One China Policy**, asserting that **Taiwan is an inseparable part of China** and must eventually reunite.
 - However, Taiwan sees itself as a **self-governing democracy** with its own constitution and elected leaders.
- **India’s Stand One China Policy:** India follows the One China Policy, in 2003 India signed a joint declaration with China recognizing **Tibet Autonomous Region as part of the territory of China**.

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