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Taiwan -- Six Assurances

Question: What is the U.S. position on the status of the 1982 "Six Assurances" on Taiwan policy? Specifically, is the one pertaining to sovereignty still valid?

Answer: There is no change in U.S. policy, including regarding the Six Assurances.

The United States remains firmly committed to our one China policy, the three joint communiques, and our responsibilities under the Taiwan Relations Act. We oppose attempts by either side to unilaterally alter the status quo. We do not support Taiwan independence.

We have long maintained that differences between the People's Republic of China and Taiwan are matters to be resolved peacefully, absent the threat or use of force, and should be acceptable to the people on both sides of the Taiwan Strait.

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