

Taiwan Policy Centre Press Release:

**Response to US President Joe Biden's statement about defending Taiwan
militarily**

For immediate release

Commenting on the statement made earlier today by US President Joe Biden during his visit to Japan that the US would intervene militarily if China were to invade Taiwan, the Chief Executive of the Taiwan Policy Centre, David Spencer said:

"We welcome the firm clarity of President Biden's response to the question on a US response to a possible attack on Taiwan.

"As we noted in our recent report, a policy of strategic ambiguity in regards to the status of Taiwan is increasingly untenable given the current geo-political climate, especially in light of the recent Russian invasion of Ukraine.

"We applaud the US President for his forceful statement and strategic clarity and would urge UK Foreign Secretary Liz Truss and the UK Government to follow their lead and be clear that the UK will help to defend Taiwan in the event of an invasion."

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Notes to Editors

The Taiwan Policy Centre latest report, *Ukraine Today, Taiwan Tomorrow?*, which is referenced in this quote can be found on our website at <https://taiwanpolicycentre.com/wp-content/uploads/Ukraine-today-Taiwan-tomorrow.pdf>

About the Taiwan Policy Centre

The [Taiwan Policy Centre](https://taiwanpolicycentre.com) is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to boosting political, cultural, and trading relations between the UK and Taiwan.

We aim to increase the knowledge and understanding that policy-makers, the media, and the British public have about Taiwan through a combination of research, educational events, and outreach.

We further aim to highlight the threats and injustices that Taiwan faces at the hands of the Chinese Communist Party and lobby the UK Government to take a stronger and more proactive stand in support of Taiwan on the global stage.

Too often, media coverage and understanding of Taiwan is shaped by the language and claims of the Chinese Communist Party, a governing authority which does not, and never has, governed Taiwan.

The Taiwan Policy Centre aims to correct these misconceptions and ensure that the UK's policies towards Taiwan and media coverage of Taiwanese affairs are rooted in research and law.