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This process will involve education, promotion and engagement of the broader Australian community in a national conversation. [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=2566be6c72&e=8ef5b7f4e3) To join the campaigning team, contact Bevan Ramsden bevanram1960@gmail.com  **Campaign to Make Peace a Priority**  **Our Vision:** To establish peace as a key public health and policy issue in Australia, guiding policy development for local, national, and international harmony.  Whilst a peace initiative can coexist with defence initiatives, without peace, addressing issues such as climate change, migration, inequality, or hunger becomes much harder, if not impossible.  This campaign, seeks to see Australia working towards peace within communities, states/territories and nationally as well as internationally and aiming to strengthening of international relationships with Australia.  One objective currently being discussed to work towards, is the establishment of an Assistant Minister for the Foreign Minister to promote Australia’s efforts towards peace and provide focus to engage with existing international frameworks, and expand diplomatic efforts to pursue peace.  One of our first steps is to invite other organisations and groups to partner IPAN on this campaign – and we are very keen to seek input from others into the shape of the campaign, which is still a work in progress.  If you are interested in being involved in this campaign, please contact Jonathan Pilbrow via [ipan.alicesprings@gmail.com](mailto:ipan.alicesprings@gmail.com) or 0403 611 815 or David Higginbottom via [d.higginbottom@outlook.com](mailto:d.higginbottom@outlook.com)    Thirdly, **Election strategy**at Federal Election to focus on matters of peace, independence, sovereignty and AUKUS.  **If you are interested** in being involved in the election strategy working group please contact Jonathan Pilbrow via [ipan.alicesprings@gmail.com](mailto:ipan.alicesprings@gmail.com) or 0403 611 815 | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **MEDIA RELEASE:  5th  March, 2025**   **UKRAINE: Urgent Ceasefire then negotiations for a peaceful security solution for all parties**   * **‘Coalition of the Willing’ has a disturbing historical meaning** * **No Australian military Forces should be sent to Ukraine** * **Three years of war in Ukraine and Russia must be bought to an end** * **The Government must ensure the Royal Australian Navy is not subject to Elon Musk's whims**   [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=9f6fdf3b6c&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Media Release: 24th February, 2025**  **We must work towards reducing tension and improving relations between Australia and China**   * **Chinese live fire exercises in the seas off Australian coastline not welcome** * **Australian naval and air patrols off the Chinese coastline not welcome** * **Diplomacy needed to yield peacebuilding agreements between Australian and Chinese governments**   [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=108b64b694&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Media Release: 7th February, 2025**  **Trump’s Gaza ‘final solution’? Australia must categorically reject this.**   * **Trump is putting the US out of line with the post WW2, UN international legal system.** * **Australia must not stay aligned with this US government which doesn’t care at all for international law or Palestinian lives.** * **Australia must urgently review its relationship with the US, and give notice to withdraw from AUKUS and the Force Posture Agreement, which sees a permanent rotation of US marines in Darwin.**   [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=21bd8fa5ad&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **IPAN Call on Supporters - Donating to improve outreach and effectiveness of IPAN**  Donate[**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=72cbb28bfb&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **IPAN Podcast-** **The urgent need to achieve independence from the U.S. alliance** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A collage of two people in a room  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Access podcast [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=09a5baf39e&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Global Day of Action to Close Foreign Military Bases** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **WA Action outside HMAS Stirling** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding signs  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Sydney protest at Garden Island Naval Base** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people outside  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Day of Global Action in Brisbane**  Our Global Day of Action to Close Bases event folded into a Peace Afternoon at a local historic church hall in Brisbane. Full-house attendance (about 60)! Following thought-provoking performance of 'Ode to Women: A Peace Play', Just Peace Qld reps presented discussion of (1) the nature and purpose of overseas military bases and the problems they create for us all at local, national and international levels; and (2) US bases and expanding military presence in Australia. Presentations and Q&A shed informative light on the consequences for Australia, Australians and people globally, of being drawn ever further into US military mode through military bases and other military activity. This was useful discussion since it seemed many audience members were unaware of military bases, their dangers, and why they need to be closed. Peace music – guitar, flute and singing – was site for discussion among all and drew the afternoon to a close. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Adelaide: No to AUKUS  and its Nuclear Submarines** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding signs  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Held outside the Osborne Community Centre, Lefevre Peninsula, on 22 February. The PACOA-organised rally was held to protest against the federal and state governments so-called consultation on the expansion of the Osborne Naval Shipyard for the future construction of the AUKUS nuclear-powered submarines. The consultation excluded any examination of the nuclear reactors that will power the AUKUS submarines. Around 50 Port Adelaide community members came out in support of the protest, and a large number of passing cars hooted in support. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Palestine-Gaza** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding up signs  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | AAP  **Australian Jews and Gaza**   The son of Holocaust survivors and other Jews opposed to Israel's war in Gaza are highlighting concerns that anti-Semitism is being exaggerated for political purposes in Australia.  The group of Jewish activists will gather on the steps of Victorian Parliament on Sunday days after Australian lawmakers passed harsh new penalties aimed at curbing rising anti-Semitic attacks.  Those attacks are "tragic but isolated" and being used to create a narrative that Jews are living in fear, rally organisers say. "We stand against the genocide in Gaza ... and we reject that the Palestine movement is fermenting anti-Semitism," spokesman David Glanz told AAP.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=adca01b47d&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people walking on a street  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | People in Gaza return home to rubble | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls & Irritations, Feb 9, 2025  **From moral collapse to genocide: How the Israeli occupation silenced the world before destroying Gaza**  By Refaat Ibrahim  *Since the beginning of the genocide in the Gaza Strip, numerous scenes have repeatedly appeared before cameras and the eyes of the entire world, depicting blatant assaults on humanity and constituting brutal crimes that are unforgivable under any law, jurisdiction, or pretext.* These scenes include attacks on defenceless children, medical teams, women, and the elderly. They also involve the destruction of hospitals, educational and civilian institutions, starvation, and many other atrocious practices that no person in the world would tolerate or remain silent about if they were happening to any other community. Humanity, with all its laws and human rights principles for which people have struggled, would never accept such scenes without a genuine reaction.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=19d0f05f1f&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **AUKUS & Nuclear issues & War** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Barrels in the water with barrels floating in the water  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Stop the Port Adelaide nuclear dump 'zone'** [Sign Petition HERE](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=315ffa38e4&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Call for public submissions- Osborne SA nuclear powered submarine construction impact assessment**  The public are invited to provide comment on the planned Nuclear-Powered Submarine Construction Yard Draft Strategic Impact Assessment Report for Osborne, South Australia. The public consultation period will run from 3 February to 17 March 2025.  [https://asiapacificdefencereporter.com/public-comments-open-for-sub-work-at-osborne/](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=8c7fe818ee&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Additional Information:  see [Nuclear-Powered Submarine Construction Yard Project – Environmental Impact Statement | YourSAy](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=e02a4a071d&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  and see [https://plan.sa.gov.au/development\_applications/state\_development/impact-assessed-development/majors/major\_projects/majors/nuclear-powered-submarine-construction-yard-project](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=18111b5244&e=8ef5b7f4e3)    ***Environmental impact statement* (EIS) Summary** (44 pages): [Submarine-Construction-Yard-EIS-Executive-Summary.pdf](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=4c215c4a29&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  ( to do a Find / search of doc for ‘ nuclear ‘ and for ‘ radioactive ‘ ) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Chinese navy exercises near Australia- Nothing to worry about, says Admiral Chris Barrie, former Chief of the ADF "But we need to be more independent".**  In an interview on ABC National he said all navies do  exercises including practice fire on the high seas. It is quite a normal procedure. We do them. I have done them. When questioned about the possible impact of the Trump presidency on relations with Australia, he went on to say: "Frankly, I think we need to re-calibrate our defence posture and thinking to take account of a much more independent Australia from American Leadership".  Listen to his interview on ABC Podcast [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ddd5e24f05&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **With acknowledgement to Michael West Media, 28 February,2025 Chinese warships sailing the Tasman Sea expose AUKUS folly**  by [Rex Patrick](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=9814ec28d3&e=8ef5b7f4e3)   Excerpt: **"Stand on our own** Two decades ago, Australia had a capable, flexible defence force configured for the defence of Australia with the option of expeditionary deployments where our capabilities complemented a multinational operation.   Our forces are now so integrated with and reliant upon the US military that not only is our capability to defend Australia gravely weakened but our own sovereign decision-making is compromised.   Maybe it’s not just the Chinese that have done us a favour with their task group deployment. President Trump is helping out too.  Australia needs to abandon its bankrupting $368B all-eggs-in-one-basket monolithic AUKUS nuclear submarine program and get back to Defence basics.  We need a modern, capable, flexible and self-reliant Defence force that can meet our own sovereign needs. That is entirely achievable and affordable, provided we make the right decisions now. " | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Sovereignty and Independence** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Petition EN7139 - Australian sovereignty from the United States**  **Petition Status**  The petition is currently **open** for signatures  **Sign**[**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=3b6ed2315e&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  **Petition Reason**  Australia has a concerning reliance upon the United States which compromises both the safety of its citizens and the sovereignty of the nation. The United States has elected a President that does not believe in the rule of law, social cohesion, the value of diversity and tolerance and exhibits a posture of isolationism and expansionism that is not in the best interest of Australia and its people.  **Petition Request**  We therefore ask the House to immediately pause all alliances, agreements and cooperation with the United States until Parliament is able to adequately assess whether our countries share values and that existing relationships between the nations are considered in the best interest of Australian citizens.  [**Sign HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=9d6c55398a&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A truck with a sign on it  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ABOUT THE MILITARISM IN THE NT** NEWSLETTER by Jorgen Doyle  Many people are aware of US and Australian military presence in the NT, but perhaps less people are aware of just how much this military presence is intensifying as a perennially belligerent US prepares for war with China, and how much a new wave of extractivism in the NT is bound up with the US military industrial complex. For the fiscal year 2024/2025, northern Australia is “the top overseas location for U.S. Air Force and Navy construction spending, with more than $300 million set aside under the U.S. congressional defence authorisations for those years”, [Reuters reports](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=2aaae2b461&e=8ef5b7f4e3). Over the next decade, the Australian government will spend $30 billion on “hardening and upgrading” northern military bases,[“partly to meet US requirements and partly paid for by the United States”](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=91f4d30e0a&e=8ef5b7f4e3). Less than a fortnight ago, the Australian defence minister heartily acknowledged that AUKUS [“represents a very significant increase of the American footprint on the Australian continent, something we very much welcome”](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ec9ca7c28c&e=8ef5b7f4e3). | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ALLIANCE OR TAKEOVER?**  by Peter Harpas  Ever since it’s signing in 1951, the ANZUS Treaty has been portrayed as a security guarantee that commits the US to come to the aid of Australia should it be attacked militarily. The reality is in fact that there is no concrete provision for this in the treaty. Nonetheless the treaty has been used as a stick by the US to gain access to the decision-making apparatus of the Australian defence and security organisations. It is a bit like how a virus opportunistically uses a chink in your body’s immune system to gain access to your entire body. From those beginnings the US now has virtual control over the defence, security and foreign affairs decisions which Australia makes, ensuring that they are in the US’s favour. These decisions have been taken out of our hands and we are locked in to whatever acts of war the US initiates. In fact the control of the US in Australia extends to its economic, political and cultural life. In a word, Australia has lost its national sovereignty and independence to the US. We are in effect the 51st state.  Read Complete Article[**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=75b46f1981&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Human Rights** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A truck with a banner on the back  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to The Guardian  **David McBride’s lengthy prison sentence failed to take into account ‘brave and selfless’ motivations, lawyers argue**   by Christopher Knaus  Lawyers for David McBride have argued their client’s lengthy prison sentence failed to take into account he was motivated by “bravely and selflessly” attempting to right what he saw as a “serious wrong”. McBride, a former military lawyer, on Monday argued against [both his conviction](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=e9f0eae9a5&e=8ef5b7f4e3) and his five-year, eight-month [prison sentence](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=d88a86f712&e=8ef5b7f4e3) for taking and leaking classified material to the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.  That material was subsequently used by the ABC as part of an exposé on alleged war crimes by Australian troops in Afghanistan.  Flanked by two corrections officers, McBride entered the ACT court of appeal on Monday to a standing ovation from his supporters. They had packed out the public gallery after earlier hearing a speech outside court by Bernard Collaery, who was charged over disclosures about [Australia’s bugging of Timor-Leste](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=c7e6126861&e=8ef5b7f4e3), an impoverished ally, during oil and gas negotiations.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=0f6c0f278c&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Informative Articles** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls & Irritations, Feb 7, 2025  **The weaponising of ‘antisemitism’ is to hide the genocide**  By [John Menadue](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=706ea82cdf&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  *As expressed in the UN General Assembly, the vast majority of the world’s governments and peoples agree that Israel is committing genocide in Gaza and now the West Bank. The main supporters of Israel — the US, Canada, Australia and NZ, the settler colonial states — have all expropriated their indigenous populations and find little disagreement with Israel doing the same.*  Only the US veto in the Security Council prevents full disclosure of the barbarity of the IDF, supported by the people of Israel. We have been lied to time and time again that the IDF was only targeting Hamas and not civilians.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a71f9ce199&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Recommended Reading** | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A book cover with white text  AI-generated content may be incorrect. |  |  | | --- | | **The Campaign for Justice and Recognition Continues**  In Always Was, Always Will Be, award-winning author Thomas Mayo addresses the question that many Australians have been asking since the failed 2023 Voice to Parliament referendum, "What's next?" | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Coming Events** | | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A city skyline with a bridge and words  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Live Cross to the ICAN team in NYC at the Third Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**  **Friday 7 March at 9-10am AEDT via zoom**  Featuring Karina Lester (ICAN Ambassador and second-generation nuclear test survivor), Alistair Burnett (ICAN's Head of Media) and Dimity Hawkins AM (ICAN and Nuclear Truth Project), more to be announced!  **Registration**: [https://actionnetwork.org/events/live-cross-to-nuclear-ban-week-in-nyc-2025](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=2e31feb09a&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Abolish Nuclear Weapons print fundraiser**  ICAN Australia is excited to launch an artwork to commemorate the 80th anniversaries of the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the first nuclear explosion, codenamed "Trinity" in New Mexico, US, by Melbourne-based Japanese artist Hiroyasu Tsuri. ICAN is offering high quality prints on 200GSM 100% recycled paper at cost price, and asking for tax-deductible donations to power an effective campaign in 2025 to honour the hibakusha and nuclear survivors everywhere.  Check it out at [https://actionnetwork.org/fundraising/2025-commemorative-poster-abolish-nuclear-weapons/](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=c063d08ba5&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **By Australians for Humanity Vote for Humanity - Why Genocide is a key election issue**  We are calling on candidates in the Federal election to condemn the Gaza genocide and support initiatives to achieve peace with justice.  **Public Meeting: Sunday March 9 in Glebe Town Hall, 6:30 for 7.00 pm  Details**[**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ac5bf1cc9d&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Twilight Time looks at the life and work of Desmond Ball, (1947-2016), a barefooted academic from ‘down under’ who was hailed by Jimmy Carter as “the man who saved the world”, as he proved the fallacy of the doctrine of limited nuclear war. His study of Pine Gap – the world’s largest spy base outside of the US, right in Australia’s red heart – infuriated Australia’s defence establishment. Des gazed at spy bases around the world and worked out what they did and why. An important though under-acknowledged Australian, Des Ball died in October 2016. He is remembered as the ‘Insurgent Intellectual’.  **Showing in Sydney** Randwick Ritz on 13th March, 6.30pm  **Showing in Canberra:** Sunday, March 16, 5 pm, Dendy Canberra | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A close up of a map  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Conversation at the Crossroads has assembled a unique panel of distinguished public intellectuals and practitioners to address these questions on **Monday 10 March.**  **Prof Jeffrey Sachs** Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University **Francesca Albanese**  UN Special Rapporteur on Occupied Palestinian Territories **Hillel Schenker** Israeli author, commentator and Co-Editor of Palestine-Israel Journal **Prof Graeme Gill**  University of Sydney, leading expert on Soviet and post-Soviet politics  **Monday 16th March, 9.30pm AEDT**  [**Book Here**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=49b9da7371&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person in a brown shirt  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **On Sunday, March 16 at 12:00pm ET,**[please](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=472ff31e9a&e=8ef5b7f4e3)[join us for a Zoom webinar](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a5b773d192&e=8ef5b7f4e3)**to hear from Israeli conscientious objectors who will share their stories of refusing to join the Israeli military.**  This webinar is hosted in partnership with Veterans For Peace Chapter 51 and the Refuser Solidarity Network (RSN). The Refuser Solidarity Network works to end the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian Territories and the militarization of Israeli society, one soldier  **Register**[HERE](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=53b7bc7b29&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Does China threaten Australia’s future peace and security Tue, 18 Mar, 6pm - 7pm AEDT- On-line Hosted by the**[Australian Peace and Security Forum](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=fa0d067a2f&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  The United States and China are contesting for great power supremacy. Australia depends on the United States for security; and on China for our economic prosperity, with China accounting for a third of all our exports. How should Australia best navigate this challenge? In recent years there are some who suggest that China is our greatest military threat. Our current Defence Strategy amplifies this, most obviously through the acquisition of AUKUS nuclear powered submarines and long range missiles.   In this Webinar, highly respected international security analyst Sam Roggeveen, author of the much acclaimed book “The Echidna Strategy”, will share his assessment of China’s and Australia’s search for peace and security in our region. Dr Jocelyn Chey, inaugural Executive Director of the Australia–China Council, former senior diplomat at the Australian Embassy in Beijing, and now Adjunct Professor at the Institute for Chinese Arts and Culture at the University of Western Sydney will offer her approach for Australia to live in peace and security with China.  Tickets free [**Book HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=57bb518175&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **RAPID PUBLIC RESPONSE**  In the event of an imminent major military conflict, military invasion or war actually breaking out, IPAN organisations in the following states, urge everyone to rally :   **In Melbourne**, outside the State Library in Swanston St, Melbourne, from 5pm that evening- bring banners and placards - family and friends   **In Adelaide**, on Parliament Steps at 4.30 pm that evening – bring banners and placards – family and friends.   I**n Newcastle**, at the Clocktower, Hamilton, 4.30pm that evening- bring banners and placards and tell family and friends    **In Canberra**, on the median strip at the corner of London Circuit and Northbourne Ave.   **In Brisbane**, at King George Square, 5 pm | | | | | | | | | |
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