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The USA and Challenges to East Asia's Security Order

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In recent years, turbulence in the East Asian security order has aroused widespread concern in the international community. Why have ever-increasing economic ties neither dissipated strategic suspicion nor prevented security competition between China on the one hand and the USA as well as China's neighboring countries on the other? This chapter attempts to probe this issue by looking at East Asia's distinctive security architecture and its inherent defects. It will explore the negative influence of power shifts in East Asia, regional leadership competition, maritime disputes, and US strategic responses to these developments. Furthermore, possible approaches as to how to establish peace in East Asia and to achieve China-US strategic reconciliation will be suggested.

THE BIFURCATED CONTINENTAL-MARITIME SECURITY ORDER AND ITS FLAWS

After some readjustment in the early 1970s, the current East Asia security order has been based on two pillars: the reconciliation between China and the USA ever since President Nixon's visit to China in 1972, and the

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