

## **A new China narrative for Australia**

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I think this is a very balanced, realistic and fair narrative proposal in theory.

It is respectful, but firm and clear on matters around the fact that we reserve to have our differences, and don't want our values eroded from outside by what essentially is a totalitarian Chinese ideology.

The role of the US hegemony in our region and indeed around the world is well considered and thought out.

I am somewhat sceptical that we as a nation will be free to have our differences with both China and the US.

If a serious conflict were to arise between the two superpowers, our 'fence sitting' policy will be torn down by force, or undermined in other subtle ways in order to move Australian foreign policy firmly into either one camp, or another.

Both outcomes would have disastrous effects on the Australian nation and its economy for drastically different but obvious reasons.