## THE PEOPLE'S INQUIRY: EXPLORING THE CASE FOR AN INDEPENDENT AND PEACEFUL AUSTRALIA



While Australia's leaders forge an ever-closer relationship with America under the guise of pursuing the "national interest", the risks posed by the alliance to Australian security have never been greater. At the moment when growing great power rivalry risks a devastating, perhaps terminal, conflict, Australian leaders are beating the "drums of war" in defence of American empire.

Australia's alliance managers, unable to imagine a world that is not dominated by our "great and powerful friend", cannot be trusted to safely navigate Australia though the current transition in the regional balance of power. The voices of ordinary Australians are desperately needed to inject realism into the "debate" about where Australia's future security lies. This Inquiry could not be held a moment too soon.



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