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As a citizen and voter of Australia, I state emphatically that any war with China would be disastrous for this country. Experiences in Vietnam, Iraq and, especially, Afghanistan have proved that wars against countries that pose no threat are counterproductive and futile.

The only reason that Australia might incur the enmity of China is because of its close alliance with the USA and the presence of US military assets on its territory.

Why is the Australian Government spending 2.09% of GDP on the military, when it has no enemies? These provocations help no one. The diversion of resources they represent leaves the nation vulnerable to Bushfire, Covid-19 and the multiple impacts of the climate crisis. Sincerely

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