

China sanctions Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman over arms deals with Taiwan

China imposed sanctions on two U.S. defense companies over arms deals with Taiwan.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Mao Ning announced on Friday that it sanctioned Northrop Grumman and Lockheed Martin under the Anti-Foreign Sanctions Law of the People's Republic of China, and she warned the United States to stop arming the independent island nation that Beijing considers a rogue part of its territory.

"The US is going further down the wrong and dangerous path of arming Taiwan," she explained. "Let me stress, the Chinese government never wavers in its resolve of safeguarding national sovereignty and territorial integrity. We call on the US to earnestly abide by the one-China principle and the stipulations of the three China-US joint communiqués, stop arms sales to Taiwan, stop military collusion with Taiwan, and stop arming Taiwan, otherwise it will be met with China's resolute response."

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