## Rudd's Delusional Defence Assessment

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We have previously written on the servile, totally one sided relationship, Oz has with the USA – America regards Australia as a convenience and intervenes each time an Oz leader asserts national independence/sovereignty. How dare those damn Aussie fleas interfere with our need for strategic bases and a market to dump sub-standard jet fighters and other superseded military hardware!



Lackeys in harlequin (to the Banksters, of course!)

Aussies should recall the results of former attempts by Oz leaders to reject American colonial rule; Harold Holt disappeared soon after he refused American military requests to expose OUR troops to DEADLY Sarin and Vx nerve gas – no greater 'friend' indeed!

Most Australians would be familiar with the CIA arranged dismissal of Gough Whitlam via their servant, John Kerr. Whitlam insisted on full access to the Pine Gap surveillance facility and threatened to close it down if he was refused – goodbye Gough!

More recently are the gut-churning performances of John Howard, Stephen Smith and Kevin Rudd -their acquiescence to America has cost the nation dearly. America is now regarded as the world's leading mass murdering, terrorist state; it is now universally reviled for its failure to prosecute war criminals and torturers!

The so-called Oz-US alliance has become a LIABILITY.

Rudd's idiotic defence paper omitted the nuclear option, which is imperative for our defence. I would remind readers that one ICBM has up to 14 nuclear warheads – now think – how many capital cities in Australia! That's right, this land is coveted for one reason only, its RESOURCES, which are all located in unpopulated areas – the xenophobic, racist, cringing, cowardly population is expendable. Howard ensured that outcome and Rudd follows in his footsteps. No nation in the region would lament the loss of our capital cities.

Small population nations like Oz are only secured with nuclear deterrents, and Rudd's idiotic plan makes no mention of this option. So it's hello oblivion and good riddance to racist rubbish. The blinding white flash you are about to see is the reward for lackey leadership and decades of

shameless cowardice!

Assess the situation for yourselves:

## America will not protect us, warns Rudd

by Jonathan Pearlman

The Rudd Government has acknowledged that the supremacy of the US has begun to fade and Australia is preparing for an uncertain future in which it can no longer rely on the protection of its main ally.

In a fundamental shift in defence plans, the Government has explicitly declared that US primacy in the Asia-Pacific - the bedrock of the nation's security since World War II - may be ending. The change, caused by the rise of new great powers such as China, is set to produce growing regional tensions and a "sudden deterioration" in Australia's security.

A 20-year defence blueprint, to be released by the Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd, today, prepares for a multibillion-dollar build-up of naval and air forces to ensure that Australia can defend its northern and sea approaches.

It says a regional shake-up is under way but US supremacy will not be blunted before 2030 and assesses the chances of an attack on Australia in the short term as "very remote".

The white paper, Defending Australia In The Asia Pacific Century: Force 2030, is the first since 2000 and outlines a range of security threats, including instability caused by the financial crisis, cyber warfare, failed states in the Pacific, Islamist terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, and climate change.

It warns that Australia must ensure it can protect itself amid an emerging range of great powers in the region - particularly China, India and Russia - which could lead to a "miscalculation" with disturbing consequences for Australia.

"Australia has been a very secure country for many decades, in large measure because the wider Asia-Pacific region has enjoyed an unprecedented era of peace and stability underwritten by US strategic primacy," the paper says. "That order is being transformed as economic changes start to bring about changes in the distribution of strategic power. Risks resulting from escalating strategic competition could emerge quite unpredictably."

The Minister for Defence, Joel Fitzgibbon, said the world faced "the beginning of the end" of the unquestioned dominance of Australia's principal ally since the Cold War.

The paper criticises China for failing to explain its substantial military build-up in recent years, which appears to have exceeded the force needed for a war over Taiwan. China's military modernisation will be little affected by the global financial crisis and is set to limit the ability of the US to control the region, it says.

"The pace, scope and structure of China's military modernisation have the potential to give its neighbours cause for concern if not carefully explained, and if China does not reach out to others to build confidence regarding its military plans.

"As other powers rise, and the primacy of the US is increasingly tested, power relations will inevitably change. When this happens there will be the possibility of miscalculation ... A potential contraction of US strategic presence in the Asia-Pacific region, with a requirement for allies and friends to do more in their own regions, would adversely affect Australian interests, regional stability and global security."

The paper affirms support for the US alliance and for US-led efforts to bolster global security but warns Australia will not put troops at risk "in distant theatres of war where we have no direct interests".

Instead, the Government has focused on defending the borders of Australia, primarily by building air and naval power to protect the northern sea-air gap, maritime approaches and offshore oil and gas reserves.

A range of large-scale purchases includes a doubling of the submarine fleet to 12, about 100 F-35 Joint Strike Fighters, eight frigates with submarine detection capability and - as planned - three air warfare destroyers. For the first time Australia will acquire an arsenal of sea-based long-range cruise missiles.

"The ability to deter or defeat armed attack on Australia will continue to be the primary force structure determinant ... This means focusing predominantly on forces that can exert air superiority and sea control in our approaches."

The Government has kept its commitment to boost the Defence budget by 3 per cent each year until 2018, but plans to scale this back to 2.2 per cent until 2030.

It says an internal reform program will save \$20 billion.

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