

# PAK-Saudi Mutual Defence pact 2025: Strategic opportunity And Regional implications

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US defence recalibration

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4.4.2 Nuclear proliferation and arms race concerns.

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