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## Question # 7

### One China Two Systems Policy:

#### Introduction:

China has adopted "One China Two System Policy" regarding its policy towards Taiwan, since the so called independence of Taiwan. She thinks that Taiwan will be her own sphere of influence, however she could choose her own political system according to her citizen's motivations and aspirations. China has frequently argued on international fronts that she will not meddle in the domestic affairs of Taiwan. However, she will never accept any international actor to meddle in the affairs of Taiwan. However, United States' rising proximity with Taiwan is changing the posture of China. It could have multi-layered implications on international arena, including threats to existing global order. In the end, some policy measures are recommended to phase out

some "dangerous implications of for international order.

"One China Two System Policy"

Choice for adoption of political systems for Taiwan:

Although China do not any actor to meddle in her spher of influence, including Taiwan; however, she has given Taiwan the right to chosse economic and political system according to their people's aspirations, as far as it is not <sup>against China</sup> Foreign Policy rights are reserved by China:

Taiwan have no right to build on relationships with any country of the world, as far as it is not approved by China.

China's sphere of influence in Taiwan:

China has given certain degree of autonomy to Taiwan, however she likes to keep Taiwan in her own sphere of influence.

Free Trade options for Taiwan:

Although China keeps certain restrictions of ~~free~~ political nature, however, Taiwan has a greater degree of autonomy regarding trade choices and freedom of business.

United States' rising proximity with Taiwan is changing the international posture of China:

US's rising proximity is visible through its overwhelmingly rising connections with Taiwan, including Nancy Pelosi's visit, and rising military ties. China sees these actions as meddling in China's internal affairs. Therefore, China is changing its international posture and touching on its foreign policy options.

US's policy towards Taiwan has initiated a tense debate on international forums:

The China-Taiwan issue has sparked a tense debate on international forums, including western media's overwhelming inclination towards US's policy.

The conflict has been made controversial.

China's foreign policy choices/actions can be seen undergoing changes in their attitudes. In other words, it can be said that US's rising proximity with Taiwan has pushed China towards aggressive foreign policy options.

## Possible Implications of US's meddling in China's "one China Two Systems Policy" :

There are number of possible implications of US's rising proximity towards Taiwan, including intensification of block politics, polarization in existing world order, rising threat of cold war, and possibility of a third world war.

### Intensification in block politics:

As one can see that US's recent actions towards Taiwan has initiated a tense debate, in various circles. Many are seeing it as a fuel for rising intensity between the capitalist and Communist block. Therefore, it can become a catalyst in intensifying block politics.

### Polarization in existing world Order:

In the same vein, some policy analysts are seeing it as a symptom of "Thucydides Trap". They are of the opinion that the US is feeling threatened by China's exponential rise. A rising trend of shifting alliances can be seen on the international arena. Therefore, US's policy towards Taiwan is

### Rising Threat of Cold War:

China and US's shifting posture on the international arena has contributed to rising threat of another cold war.

### Possibility of a Third World War:

Taking lessons from the previous world wars of history, where the world had undergone various changes and eventually an insignificant event paved the way for the world war; the possibility of breaking a third world war cannot be ruled out.

### One China Two System Policy



United State's Rising proximity with Taiwan



### Implications

- ① Intensification in block politics
- ② Polarization in existing world order
- ③ Rising Threat of cold war
- ④ Possibility of a Third World War

## Policy Recommendations to Ensure a Peaceful World Order:

### 1) Accepting Multipolarity:

US's think tank need to analyze the changing dynamics ~~and~~ objectively.

Existing literature of the previous generation suggest that how the rising power had been seen as a threat by existing powers. Many a great powers had fallen into "Thucydides Trap" in history. Hence, policy analysts, political leaders, scholars, and social scientists should spark a positive debate regarding benefits of co-existing and the fruits humanity can harvest ~~by~~ from multipolarity.

### 2) Positive Role of United Nations

UN can play a positive role in the rivalry by convincing leaders of both the powers to initiate a multilayered dialogue. Moreover, it can play an optimistic role by promoting a rhetoric of peaceful coexistence.

Media's role as a narrative builder for promoting diversity:

In the age of internet, media has an ever greater role to play in uniting the world. It can promote lesson from history, including how "Westphalian Principles" paved the way for one of the peaceful era of history. It has the power to initiate a discourse & formation that could eventually pave the way for a stable world order.

Conclusion:

"One China Two System" policy was adopted by China to maintain control over her ex-territory, Taiwan. However, the recent tilt of US towards Taiwan have given rise to China's concerns. It has adopted an aggressive policy to contain its "One China Two System" policy. Number of implications can be seen, including intensification in block politics, polarization in existing world order, rising threat of another cold, and possibility of another world war, of US's rising proximity with Taiwan. However, the issue can be solved by US's policy think tank acceptance of multipolarity, role of UN and media's role inphasinat intensification in discourse

## Question # 6

## The Ongoing Israel-Hamas War

Introduction:

The ongoing armed conflict between Israel and Hamas-led Palestinian military groups has been taking place chiefly in and around the Gaza Strip since 7 October, 2023, with clashes also taking place in the West Bank and Israel-Lebanon border. The war has its roots in history. Israel ~~was~~ slowly occupied the territory in the early and middle phase of the twentieth century. However, Palestinian never accepted their illegally occupied territory by Israel. The conflict between both parties is a long one, however, the recent attack on Israel by Hamas-led Palestinian military groups has intensified the deep rooted conflict. It has various implications for the region as well as on the international arena, including prospects



of strained Arab-Israel relations, proxy wars, and prospects for environmental degradation. It also entails various implications on the international front, including polarization in global order, a rising threat of cold war, and possibility of ~~hot~~ world war, economic recession and inflation, and environmental degradation and <sup>furthering of</sup> food insecurity.

### The Ongoing Israel-Hamas War:

The ongoing Israel-Hamas war is a continuation of strained relationships between both countries.

The recent crises has fueled and deepened the already sour relationship between the inhabitants and also among the sympathizers of both the nations.

### A Bitter History:

The recent conflict has long roots in history. It can be traced to early twentieth century, when Theodore Herzl suggested Jews to form their nation-state in

the so-called "promised land": Palestine. Large scale Jew migrations carried out in the wake of world wars. They were also supported by most of their western sympathizers. To cut the long story short, large-scale migrations of Jews into Palestinian Territory ~~and~~ eventually paved the way for change in demography of Palestine and in turn the formation of today's Israel.

### Fierce Propaganda by Israel: Dehumanizing and Dehistoricizing Palestinians

In the middle of the twentieth century, when ~~Israel~~ Jews formed their separate state by the name of Israel, they started working on its consolidation. They furthered a fierce propaganda against Palestinians in order to legitimize their occupation of Palestine. A campaign was launched in order to project Palestinians as aggressors.

Moreover, they projected Hamas, a political organization, as a terrorist organization equal to ISIS. Palestinians have been projected as terrorists and in turn tagged them as "unhumans." In order to legitimize Israel, they projected history, according to their own standards, projecting Palestinians as aggressive force against a peaceful and progressive Israelis. Hence, the state of Israel tried to legitimize its nation-state by ~~projecting~~ ~~Palestinians~~ dehumanizing and de-historicizing Palestinians.

Regional Implications of Israel-Hamas war :

- 1) Strained Relations of Israel with ~~her~~ the middle-eastern countries

The ongoing conflict entails consequences on regional politics. Some middle-eastern countries were on the verge of recognizing Israel, however, the growing conflict has insignified political relationships among these actors.

## 2) Rising Block Politics in the Region

The ongoing conflict has produced undergoing changes the foreign policy choices of various regional actors.

Many of them have raised suspicion about the role of United States.

Moreover, various actors are looking for China to use her influence to phase out possibilities of a longer war. China, with her prospects of peace-maker, is rising as the greatest regional actor.

## 3) Discourse formation against Israel

Various countries, especially Muslim and western countries, majority, ~~are~~ can ~~be~~ seen as sympathizers of Palestinians. A new discourse is under formation. This could dent Israel's ~~stan~~ and the US's standing on the international arena, which could pave the way for the rise of actors like China and Iran in the region.

## Global Implications of Israel-Hamas War:

### 1) Polarization in Global order

The ongoing conflict has the potential to polarize international order as various actors' stance is opposite to each other. US and its some allies are supporting Israel, on the contrary, some are supporting Palestine. The issue is already intensification the debate on various forums. Hence, it could polarize the international world order.

### 2) Possibility of a large-scale war

One of the main strengths of the existing world order was its commitment to "Westphalian Principles", where co-existing and diversity was appreciated. The polarization on international front could pave the way for derivation of those principles, and eventually paving the way for another large-scale war, for which humanity is unprepared.

### 3) Possibility of Economic Recession

The already going Russia-Ukraine war has contributed large to increase in commodity prices, the ongoing Israel-Hamas war could have a very negative influence on economic activity. Hence, increase in commodity prices, demand of oil, and decrease in economic activity among others could pave the way for economic recession.

### 4) Decrease in Environmental activism and rise in Environmental Degradation.

### Conclusion:

In summation, the ongoing Israel-Palestine war is a continuation of historical conflict between Israelis and Palestinians. Israel has waged a propaganda to dehumanize and dehistoricize Palestinians. The war could result in number of dangerous implication for the region and the international order. Among them the most significant are strained relations of Israel with her middle eastern counterparts, rising block politics in the region and emergence of China in the region.

Like wise, polarization could intensify on international front, possibility of large-scale war can not be ruled out, and it can enhance prospects of economic recession and environmentalism.