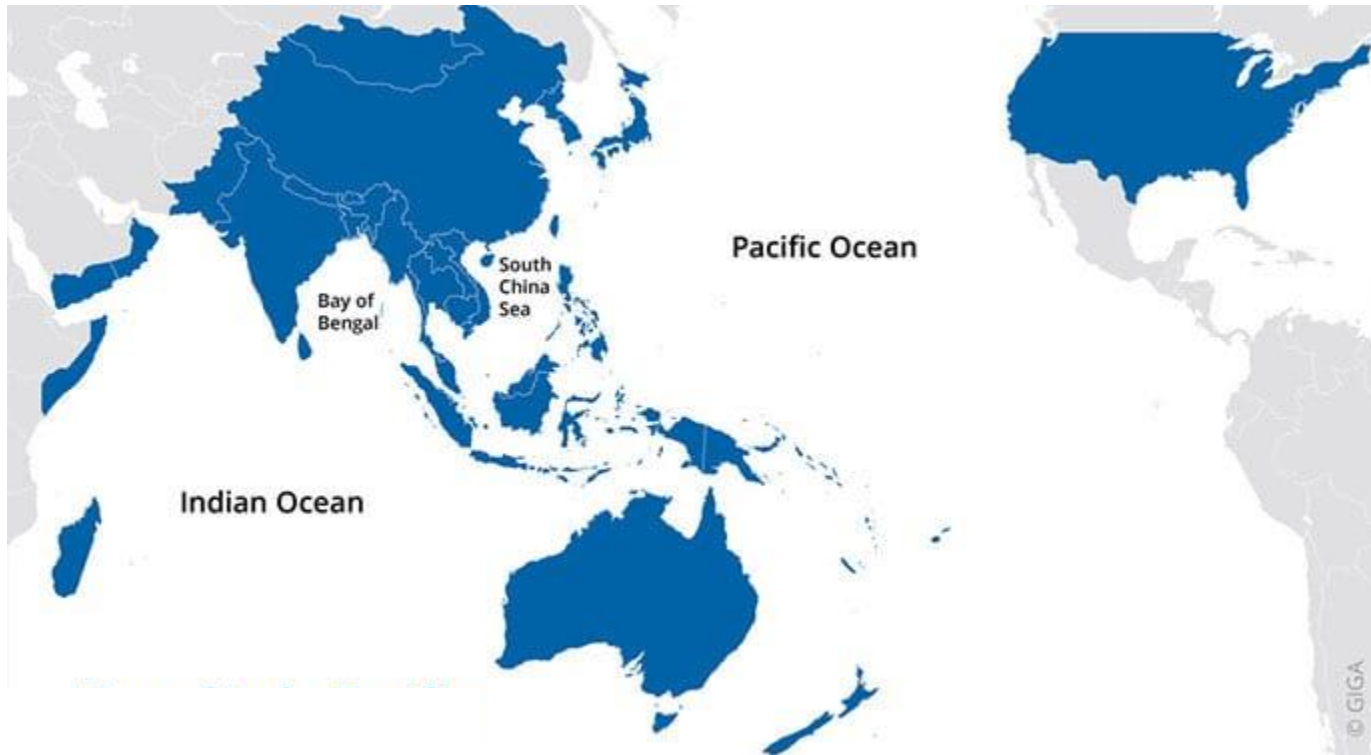


U.S. Strategic Perspectives on a Free and Open Indo-Pacific



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Introduction and Agenda



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- Regional challenges and their impact on Thailand
- U.S. security goals in the Indo-Pacific
- How the United States engages across the Indo-Pacific
- How the United States engages multilaterally to promote stability
- Conclusion and Questions/Discussion





Regional Challenges that Impact Thailand



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The Indo-Pacific region is facing a complex and evolving security landscape

- Territorial disputes in the South China Sea threaten maritime trade routes and access to resources.
- Non-traditional security threats like transnational organized crime and terrorism undermine Thailand's security.
- Security challenges in the region can disrupt maritime trade routes and hamper economic growth.
- Thailand can play a role in addressing security challenges by leveraging its non-claimant status and working with other countries.



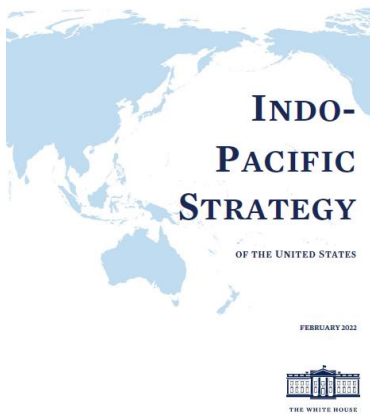


U.S. Security Goals – Indo-Pacific Strategy



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- **Free and Open:** Governments can make their own choices, and shared domains are governed lawfully.
- **Connected:** We build collective capacity for a new age.
- **Prosperous:** We strengthen innovation, economic competitiveness, good-paying jobs, supply chains, and economic opportunities for middle-class families.
- **Secure:** We support regional peace, security, stability, and prosperity.
- **Resilient:** We address climate change, COVID-19, and natural disasters.





U.S. Engagement Across the Indo-Pacific

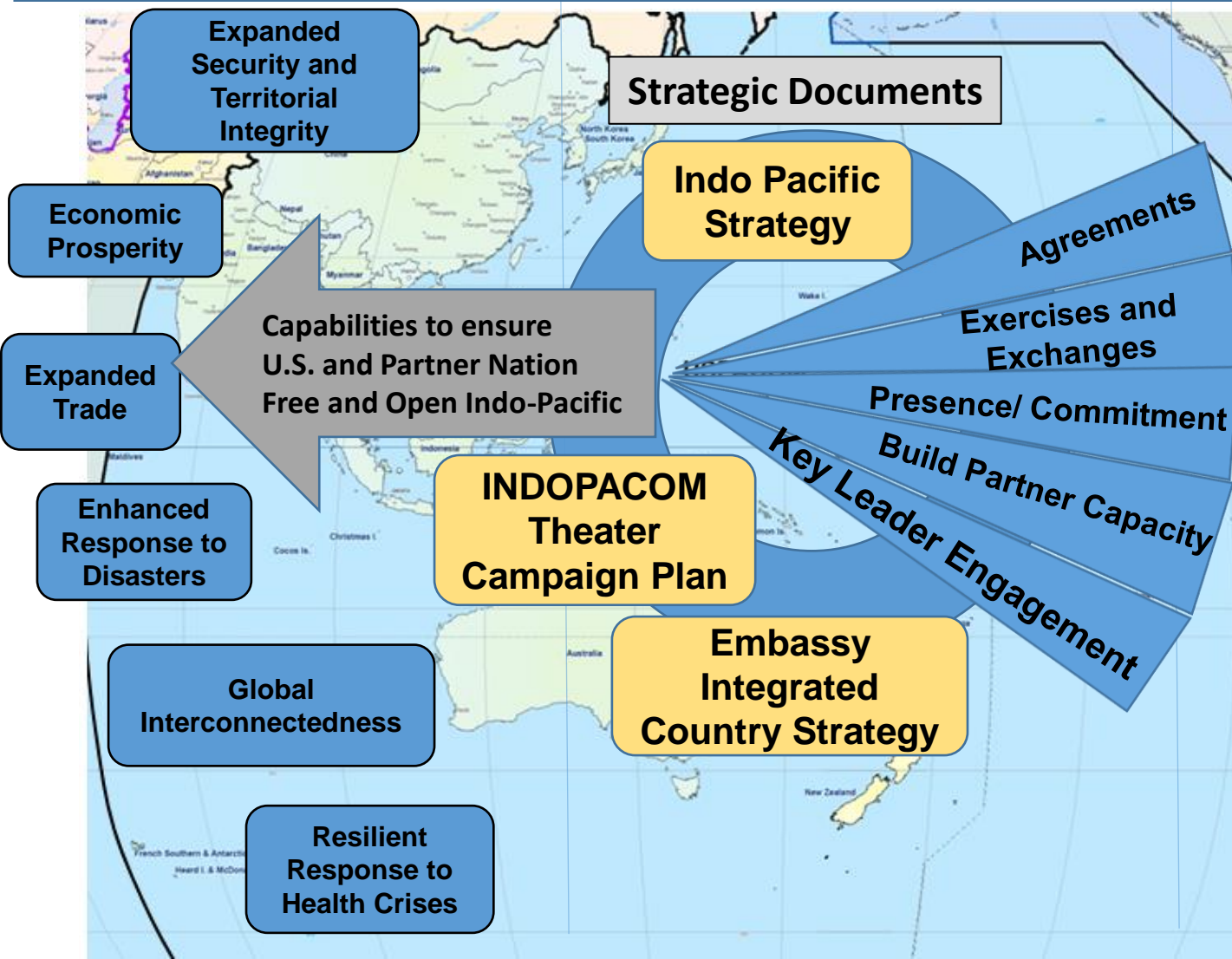


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Ways

Means



Department of State

Department of Defense

Department of Commerce

United States Agency for International Development

Department of Homeland Security and Justice

Fulbright Scholarship & Academic Exchanges



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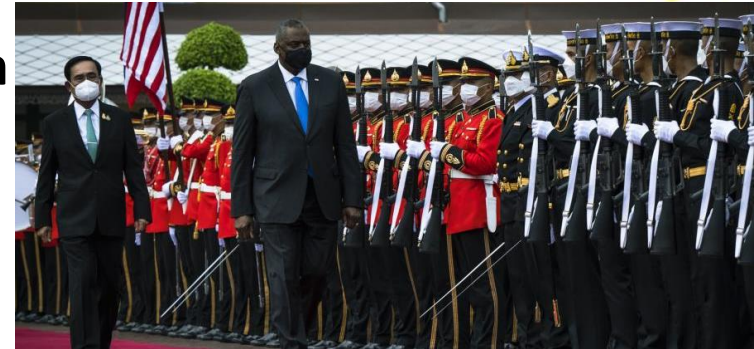
U.S. – Thai Security Alliance

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The U.S.-Thai security alliance is the foundation of our strong and enduring partnership.

- Support Thai Military Modernization Efforts
- Expand maritime domain awareness and security to defense exclusive economic zones
- Strengthen Education and Training opportunities
- Boost reciprocal access for training in both the United States and Thailand
- Partner with all services and civilian agencies to enhance response to natural disasters
- Promote all domain operations with new cyber and space partnerships



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U.S. – Thai Economic Alliance



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Economic engagement is vital for promoting stability and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region.

- Decades of close cooperation and free, fair, and open trade have pulled hundreds of millions from poverty.
- The United States actively supports initiatives that foster economic growth, infrastructure development, and digital connectivity in the region.
- The Indo-Pacific region's economic potential is immense, and by encouraging trade, investment, and market access, the United States contributes to the shared prosperity of the region.





U.S. Multilateral Engagement for Stability



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Regional security issues cannot be effectively tackled by any single country alone.

ASEAN

- Signed ASEAN-U.S. Comprehensive Strategic Partnership to support ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific
- Announced \$1B in funding for education, health infrastructure, and people exchanges
- Supports the five-point Consensus on Burma

Thai-U.S. co-hosted MARSEC Experts' Working Group

- Finalized the Maritime Security Roadmap enhanced Confidence Building Measures
- All countries recognize the need for cooperation between countries to realize a sustainable blue economy.





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Conclusion, Questions, and Discussions



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