

ASEAN Defence SecurityForesighting

in the next 5 years

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International Political Situation

- Significant geopolitical shifts
- Major power rivalry
- Impacts on ASEAN

US and China

- US: President Trump and the Impact of his Policies
 - US-China Trade War
- China: Rising Influence
 - US attempts to counter this

Japan/Korea

- Japan: Enhancing Military Capacity
- Korean Peninsula: Uncertainty ahead
- Risk to Southeast Asia

Implications for ASEAN

- AMS may be forced to take sides
- South China Sea: Calmer waters ahead?
- ASEAN must carefully navigate current geopolitical landscape
- Ensure ASEAN unity and centrality maintained