



Australian Anti-AUKUS Coalition

The Quad is a US-led grouping of countries promoting war, not peace

The Quad summit scheduled in Sydney on 24 May was cancelled due to the last minute announcement that US President Biden will not be doing a stopover in Australia from the G7 talks in Hiroshima, Japan, 19-22 May.

No US replacement for Biden was announced.

Instead, the Quad war summit of 4 heads of states and governments – US President Joe Biden, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese – was moved to the sidelines of the G7 meeting in Hiroshima.

It appears the decision to move the meeting to the sidelines of G7 was made unilaterally by the US. The US is the major player in the war mongering Quad.

The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue, (Quad) is a military and economic grouping brought together to contain China's economic development and growth. China is challenging US economic supremacy in the region.

Since the 2011 US military Pivot into Asia-Pacific the US has expanded and intensified the militarisation of the region with the support of governments of Japan and Australia.

The Quad is a war grouping to uphold the global US "rules based order" in the Indo-Pacific. It will not bring peace and prosperity to the people of this region.

Like AUKUS, the Quad is an instrument of aggression and war, intensifying military and political tensions in the region, dragging the people of this region into an unjust imperialist war.

The people of Australia and Asia-Pacific do not want to be dragged into another US – led war between the super powers. The people want peace, secure livelihoods, clean and safe environment.

Polls show that the majority of the Australian people do not support Australia following the US into a war with China. A recent Lowy Institute Poll shows more than half do not support Australia siding with either the US or China, and want the Australian government to be neutral. A strong majority of young people said they want Australia to be neutral in the event of war breaking out between the 2 rival super powers.

<https://poll.lowyinstitute.org/charts/military-conflict-between-china-and-united-states/?s=03>

The Australian Anti-AUKUS Coalition:

- Calls on the Australian government to withdraw from any future Quad meetings
- Will oppose any future meetings of the Quad in Australia
- Will oppose a US-led war with China
- Calls for scrapping of AUKUS and nuclear submarines
- Demands the \$369 billion be spent on social and economic needs of the people and the environment
- Strongly opposes AUKUS and the Quad pushing the region into an unjust, and possibly nuclear, war.

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