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## CHINA'S WARNING TO BANGLADESH ON THE QUAD

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China has been deeply concerned over the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Quad), an informal strategic alliance involving the United States, India, Japan, and Australia. Beijings trepidation over the expansion of this U.S.-led grouping was reflected in the recent statements of the Chinese ambassador to Bangladesh, Li Jimming.

Li, while interacting with the members of the Diplomatic Correspondents Association, Bangladesh on May 10, warned Dhaka against joining this club and said that if Bangladesh did so, it will substantially damage bilateral relations between Bangladesh and China. Calling the Quad a military alliance aimed against Chinas resurgence in South Asia, the ambassador said that Bangladesh should not join this narrow-purposed clique.

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