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PAPUA NEW GUINEA IN TALKS WITH CHINA ON SECURITY COOPERATION, FOREIGN MINISTER SAYS

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Justin Tkachenko says they are in early stages of negotiation with Beijing on its offer to assist with police and security.

Papua New Guinea is in early talks with China on a potential security and policing deal, the countrys foreign minister Justin Tkachenko has said, weeks after deadly riots in the countrys capital.

Amid jostling between Washington and Beijing for influence in the Pacific, the biggest Pacific Islands nation, Papua New Guinea (PNG), has previously said Australia and the United States are its security partners, while China is an important economic partner.

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