
TIME FOR A US PIVOT TO CENTRAL ASIA

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US needs a dramatic policy course shift in strategically vital region as rivals China and Russia gain ground and influence

Washington aims to absorb strategically vital Central Asia into its sphere of influence, according to a US State Department 2020 strategy document entitled US Strategy for Central Asia 2019 – 2025: Advancing Sovereignty and Economic Prosperity. To date, its efforts have come up notably and woefully short.

With a new US administration to take office next year, its not too soon for Washington foreign policy mavens to begin considering a new strategic approach to this vast region steeped in natural resources and historical significance for transcontinental connectivity.

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