

# Against the Great Powers: Reflections on Balancing Nuclear and Conventional Power

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This article, originally published by the Texas National Security Review, examines the best method of protecting US allies from a Russian or Chinese *fait accompli*, which Colby argues are more likely due to both countries' buildup of conventional capabilities, and China's evolving nuclear capability. The best way of protecting our allies against a Russian or Chinese *fait accompli*, according to Colby, is to ensure the US has flexible, tailored options in its nuclear arsenal. Read the full article [here](#).