
CHINA WARNS NEW ZEALAND AGAINST JOINING AUKUS

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The Chinese ambassador to New Zealand says if New Zealand were to join security grouping AUKUS it would "inevitably" have negative consequences for the country's relationship with China.

In a wideranging interview with state-owned Radio New Zealand released on Wednesday, Wang Xiaolong expressed significant concerns about the trilateral security pact between Australia, the United States and the United Kingdom.

"AUKUS entails the transfer of weapons-grade nuclear materials from a nuclear weapon state to a non-nuclear weapon state for the first time in history," Dr Wang said.

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