
AUSTRALIA, VIETNAM AGREE TO DEEPEN STRATEGIC, DEFENSE, ECONOMIC TIES

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Australia and Vietnam on Tuesday agreed to deepen their comprehensive strategic partnership across defense, security, trade, and clean energy during talks between Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and Vietnamese President To Lam in Canberra.

The two leaders reaffirmed their commitment to a peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific that is free from coercion and where sovereignty is respected, according to a statement from the Australian Prime Ministers Office.

They expressed concern over developments in the South China Sea and stressed the importance of freedom of navigation and overflight, peaceful resolution of disputes, and adherence to international law, particularly the 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea.

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