

Joint Chief of Staff General Mark Milley: Fighting Both China and Russia Together Would be a 'Very, Very Difficult Thing'

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Rep. Mike Rogers (R-Ala.), the chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, asked Joint Chiefs Chairman **Gen. Mark Milley** on Wednesday if the United States of America is "adequately resourced and prepared" to deter and defeat a China-Russia alliance.

Milley responded that the National Defense Strategy currently is structured to deal with a "pacing threat from China and an acute threat from Russia."

"What that really means, and this changed under the former SecDef Mattis, we changed essentially from a two-war strategy to a regional contingency strategy, which (was) in existence from, I guess, the end of World War II all the way up through a few years ago."

But then, Milley said,

"We switched to a one-war strategy. So we planned it to resource, train, man, equip and force-structure our force to be able to fight one major contingency against one power and to hold in the other theaters."

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