

CNN News Highlights — Taiwan Elections

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On Saturday, Taiwan votes for a new president. _____ mean the current president, Tsai Ing-Wen, has to _____ after eight years _____, two _____. There is a lot _____ in this election. It's being closely watched by the Chinese Communist Party in Beijing and by U.S. _____ in Washington.

1) claims	2) decline	3) despite	4) framing	5) openly loathes
6) prosperity	7) stark choice	8) under its fold	9) use of force	

Beijing _____ Taiwan as its own territory, _____ having never controlled it. And it does not rule out the _____ to bring this island _____ at some point. Beijing _____ the ruling party, the DPP, and they're _____ this election as a _____ between war and peace, _____ and _____.

1) arms supplier	2) main international backer	3) mend ties	4) perspective	5) prioritize	6) recalibrate	7) source of tension
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From Taiwan's _____, the election will decide whether this island will continue to _____ its relationship with the U.S. or perhaps _____ that relationship and choose to _____ with China. Given that Taiwan is the largest _____ between China and the U.S., which happens to be the Island's _____ and _____.

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How China _____ to the result of this election will be a big test. Can Beijing and D.C. _____ or will they move closer to _____ or even _____? Why does this matter beyond _____ Taiwan? Well, the location, of course, it's important _____ for both China and the United States being right there on the _____.

1) catastrophic	2) cross-strait conflict	3) define	4) democracy	5) democracy versus authoritarianism
6) manufacturer	7) overall clash	8) priceless chips	9) semiconductors	10) the free world

Taiwan is the world's number one _____ of _____, those _____ that power all of our tech, and the _____ for any _____ would be _____ around the world. And from the U.S. perspective, Taiwan is a _____ and this island's leaders have said that this election and this _____ between China, the U.S. and Taiwan over _____ could actually _____ the future of _____.

Translation

星期六，台灣將進行新總統選舉。任期限制意味著現任總統蔡英文在執政八年、兩個總統任期後必須下台。這次選舉意義重大，正受到北京的中共和華盛頓的美國立法者的密切關注。

北京聲稱台灣是其領土，儘管從未控制過台灣。並且不排除使用武力將這個島嶼納入其版圖。北京公開厭惡執政黨民進黨，並將這次選舉描繪為戰爭與和平、繁榮與衰落的明顯選擇。

從台灣的觀點來看，這次選舉將決定該島嶼是否會繼續優先與美國的關係，或許會重新調整這種關係，選擇與中國修復關係。考慮到台灣是中美之間最大的緊張源頭，而美國恰好是該島的主要國際支持者和武器供應國。

中國對這次選舉結果的反應將是一大考驗。北京和華盛頓能否管理好緊張關係，或者他們會進一步邁向對抗甚至衝突？這為什麼會超越台灣本身的重要性？當然，地理位置在戰略上對中國和美國都非常重要，台灣正位於第一島鏈上。

台灣是世界上最大的半導體製造商，這些寶貴的芯片驅動著我們所有的技術設備，任何兩岸衝突引起的供應鏈中斷對全球都將是災難性的。從美國的角度來看，台灣是一個民主國家，這個島嶼的領導人表示，這次選舉和中美台在民主與專制主義之間的整體對抗，可能實際上會定義自由世界的未來。

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Answers

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From Taiwan's 4) perspective, the election will decide whether this island will continue to 5) prioritize its relationship with the U.S. or perhaps 6) recalibrate that relationship and choose to 3) mend ties with China. Given that Taiwan is the largest 7) source of tension between China and the U.S., which happens to be the Island's 2) main international backer and 1) arms supplier.

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How China 5) responds to the result of this election will be a big test. Can Beijing and D.C. 4) manage tensions or will they move closer to 2) confrontation or even 1) conflict? Why does this matter beyond 7) the confines of Taiwan? Well, the location, of course, it's important 6) strategically for both China and the United States being right there on the 3) first island chain.

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Taiwan is the world's number one 6) manufacturer of 9) semiconductors, those 8) priceless chips that power all of our tech, and the 10) supply chain disruptions for any 2) cross-strait conflict would be 1) catastrophic around the world. And from the U.S. perspective, Taiwan is a 4) democracy and this island's leaders have said that this election and this 7) overall clash between China, the U.S. and Taiwan over 5) democracy versus authoritarianism could actually 3) define the future of 10) the free world.