



We, the Chairs of Foreign Affairs Committees, strongly condemn the political, diplomatic and economic pressure of People's Republic of China on Lithuania.

The interference in the internal affairs of a European Union and NATO state are neither welcome nor appropriate.

Lithuania's decision to withdraw from the 17+1 format and its intention to develop economic and cultural relations with Taiwan are similar to the sovereign decisions taken by other states.

We stand firm with Lithuania and welcome its aspiration to cooperate with China bilaterally and in full coordination with its European and transatlantic allies.

We also welcome the developing economic relations with Taiwan and urge Lithuania to maintain current course rejecting aggressive China's behavior.

We call on our governments, the European Union, and other allies, to extend full support to Lithuania as it sets out policies in the interest of its people and wider international community.

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