



Pakistan in the Midst of a stormy Region

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The National Security Policy of Pakistan – Regional Challenges and International Responses

Pakistan has since its birth had an acrimonious relationship with India, and has gone to war many times. When both states became nuclear powers, the nature of the conflict changed. Kashmir is certainly the core dispute, but there are many others with India which to date remain unresolved. This impacts the stability of the region and has an international fall out. With general elections in India around the corner in spring 2019, the tense relationship has heated up again. In addition, Pakistan is affected by the on-going war against extremism in Afghanistan, and by the international struggles over the Iranian nuclear program. What are Pakistan's national security objectives in this volatile regional neighborhood, and how does it act internationally?

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