

## Radar and China



The impact of changing events in Russia and Iran on missile defense is clear, but what about China? [Barack Obama](#) made no mention of it yesterday in explaining his decision to shelve the missile shield in the CR and Poland. Yet China has spoken assertively against the U.S.'s missile-defense plans and is a more-formidable long-term threat than Russia. When [Foreign Affairs](#) printed an article in 2006 about the U.S.'s effort to gain nuclear primacy through a first-strike capability, the authors said that both Russia and China were the foes. Since then, China's military buildup has advanced considerably, and the U.S.'s means and methods of projecting power have increasingly become "wasting assets," both in military and financial terms (see [Foreign Affairs](#)). This raises the question of whether Obama's decision on missile defense wasn't as much a peace offering or concession to China as to Russia or Iran.

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