

US Criticizes China over territorial row

Washington has weighed into the dispute in the South China Sea between China and Vietnam. National Security Advisor Susan Rice on Wednesday criticized Beijing for what she called its provocations.

Rice said the US never took a position on the sovereignty of disputed territories. But she said provocative actions and intimidation that complicate the prospect for diplomatic resolution are completely unhelpful.

Rice said the only way to resolve territorial disputes is to abide by international law.

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