

U.S. Rep. Gallagher: “Now it is time for the US to do our part” following increase in Taiwan defense spending

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GREEN BAY, WI — Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI) today released the following statement in response to Taiwan’s [announcement](#) of a record 13.9% increase in its defense spending.

“This significant defense increase is an important signal that Taiwan is committed to defending its democracy. It should be laser-focused on asymmetric capabilities that would block a CCP invasion. Now it is time for the US to do our part. This means both delivering desperately needed and already approved sales, as well as financing Taiwan’s acquisition of key defense capabilities, much the way we did for Ukraine after 2014. We cannot wait until the invasion starts to provide security assistance, expanded joint training, or enhanced military infrastructure in the region. We must have a sense of urgency to better defend Taiwan before it is too late.”