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**Despatch No. 389 from American Embassy Taipei to  
the Department of State, 'Recent American Policy  
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**Summary:**

This despatch summarizes US policy toward Formosa (Taiwan) as a response to the threat posed by Communist China. The document underscores the United States' commitment to neutralizing Formosa militarily to prevent Communist occupation, its provision of significant economic and military aid to strengthen Formosa's defenses, and its insistence that Formosa's future political status be determined through international consultation rather than unilateral force. This document summary was generated by an artificial intelligence language model and was reviewed by a Wilson Center staff member.

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