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Q19

'The expansion and strengthening of NATO and a stronger US-Europe strategic partnership works well in India.' What is your opinion about this statement? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.

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India and its neighborhood - relations.

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North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Collective-defence alliance under the 1949 North Atlantic Treaty; India is not a member.

Quad

India, United States, Japan and Australia; a maritime and technology grouping, not a NATO Asian replica.

S-400 and CAATSA

Indian purchase of a Russian air-defence system that raised US sanctions-law risk; an example of the Russia channel's cost in a NATO-Russia crisis.

iCET

India-US Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology; an example of bilateral tech partnership that benefits from a working US political system, not from NATO membership.

France in the Indian Ocean

European resident power with territories and bases; a bilateral defence partner for India independent of NATO command.

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