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Summary: In the three years since Admiral John Aquilino took command, he said the People's Liberation Army, or PLA, has added more than 400 fighter aircraft, along with more than 20 major warships. It's also doubled its inventory of ballistic and cruise missiles since 2020, he said. "All indications point to the PLA meeting President Xi Jinping's directive to be ready to invade Taiwan by 2027," Aquilino said. "The PLA's actions indicate their ability to meet Xi's preferred time-line to unify Taiwan with mainland China by force if directed." Related: CIA Chief Warns Against Underestimating Xi's Ambitions Toward Taiwan and The Taiwan Catastrophe and China's Shipyards Are Ready for a Protracted War. America's Aren't

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