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Barack Obama confronts the China challenge

1. A year ago the references to China were positive by contrast to America. This year, his mentions of China were almost exclusively negative.
2. The idea that China is an unfair competitor and a threat to American jobs and businesses has a powerful appeal in the US.
3. America, many will point out, has serious problems of its own to address if it wants to end its trade deficit with China. But lambasting China is likely to be something you hear from all sides in the coming US election.
4. Now it seems the White House has decided that it's time to stop speaking of China's achievements and to start reasserting the United States' position as the pre-eminent power both in Asia and globally.

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