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The combo shows plaintiffs and survivors of a US missile strike appearing in a court of law in Tehran on November 24, 2026 to file a lawsuit against those behind the American attack on an elementary school in Minab, southern Iran, on February 28, 2026 that killed 168 people, mostly children.
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World's emerging power triangle



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OPINION EXCLUSIVE

The recent gathering of the United States, China and Russia in Shenzhen carries several important implications for international relations and the future balance of global power.

First, 35 years after the collapse of the bipolar order in 1991, the meeting has revived the idea that the international system may be entering a new phase. Analysts have described the distribution of global power as unipolar, uni-multipolar, multipolar or hierarchical. The Shenzhen gathering has prompted another interpretation: the emergence of a three-pole system and a new triangle of power. China and Russia share positions on many international issues and have interests that differ from those of the United States. In practice, the two countries often stand together against the third.

Second, the three countries do not have equal weight or status. Some analysts argue that the current world order remains essentially bipolar, with the United States and China at its center because of their economic strength and close military and political competition. Yet President Vladimir Putin's presence alongside Xi Jinping and Donald Trump underlined that Russia cannot be ignored. Moscow is the world's second-largest nuclear power and holds a permanent seat and veto on the United Nations Security Council. Its vast oil and gas resources also give it influence. Russia therefore retains a significant place in global affairs, despite the relative superiority of Washington and Beijing.

Third, the gathering raises questions about the relative weight of the world's power centers. The three leaders met on the sidelines of the summit of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), held in Shenzhen.

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