'ONE BELT ONE ROAD' PROJECT AND ITS STRATEGIC IMPLICATION:

STUDY FROM PERSPECTIVE OF GEOPOLITICS

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**ABSTRACT** 

In 2013, Xi Jing-Ping, China's president, proposed the "One Belt One Road"

Project (OBOR). It emphasized improving economic development for the nearby

countries. Nevertheless, the author would argue that there should have political

calculation and strategic implications behind the overall OBOR plan. Furthermore, the

author agreed that the OBOR project might change China's geostrategic position in

the world.

This research started from introducing background, history, and the framework

of the OBOR. Given that there are many countries alongside the New silk road and

the Martine road, the research applied the concept of geopolitics to analyze how

China's OBOR impact nearby countries and how countries responded China's

promotion of the OBOR project. The research also aimed to figure out strategic

implication that China tried to deliver through framework of OBOR project. Is OBOR

project simply an economic strategy to help China itself and surrounding countries? Is

it a Chinese version of Marshall Plan aiming to facilitate China's political influence

on nearby countries alongside OBOR project?

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