

# Will the UK's Latest Sanctions on China Make any Difference? *City AM*

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In an article for *City AM*, London Investigations, Compliance, and Defense Partner Rob Dalling examines recent UK sanctions in response to cyber-attacks, for which the government holds China responsible. “The UK has introduced new sanctions aimed against Chinese interference, but their bark is far worse than their bite,” wrote Rob.

The article highlights the limited real-world impact, primarily freezing assets of targeted individuals and companies, and discusses the political value of these measures in the context of UK-China relations and broader diplomatic strategies. Despite debates on their effectiveness, sanctions remain a popular diplomatic tool, although their impact can be limited, particularly for targets with minimal ties to the UK.

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