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The China Cancer: A Taiwanese Physician's Remedy
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Adolf Hitler labeled the Jews as “germ carriers”. The Khmer Rouge called for the cleansing and purification of the people by murdering their enemies, “microbes” that threatened to “rot society, rot the Party and rot the army.” In reference to the Japanese army in New Guinea, Australian General Sir Thomas Blamey stated to his troops in 1943 that they had to “exterminate these vermin if we and our families are to live.” If there is a disease or pestilence that threatens the survival “the people” or “our *volk*”, then extermination to the last is absolutely essential.

Author Kenryo Lin evokes the pathogen metaphor, calling the Chinese Communist Party a cancer that threatens the survival of mankind. Lin shows vividly how the CCP has quietly invaded the political, economic and educational spheres of numerous countries. In addition, Lin points out that the CCP’s blatant disregard for basic environmental controls to limit industrial pollution which has grievously harmed its neighbors. China exports goods loaded with toxins—Lin could have mentioned that the CCP has apparently moved into highly lucrative drug trafficking in the Americas, as means of morally and physically incapacitating the “imperialist running dogs” and draining their wallets at the same time.¹

Unlike previous extremists who demanded nothing less than annihilation of their foes, Lin suggests methodical treatment of the “China cancer”. Radical surgery or non-specific treatments like chemotherapy may end up killing many, many Chinese. Lin suggests “immunotherapy”, alluding to a medical treatment that uses one’s own immune system to combat cancerous cells. This would take the form of energizing Chinese citizens who oppose the CCP, including the Tibetans, Uyghurs, Falun Gong, and Chinese dissidents outside as well as within China. Taiwan, particularly as an independent country, would also be a key immunotherapy against the China cancer. Lin suggests that a democratic China could be devolved into its “five” already existing military regions, each with its own military, economic and political infrastructure. The alternative, Lin suggests, is a general collapse of China with resultant mass exodus of its people—a potential humanitarian disaster. It will be up to the Chinese people to bring about a government established by the will of the people and not by the elite.

Support of internal and external dissenters against the CCP exists in numerous countries—except Japan. Lin suggests that Japan’s lack of aggressive support is due to its “don’t upset China” thinking. Lin states that Japan should be leading the effort in

¹ McKay, H. (Nov. 12, 2020). “Chinese ‘cartels’ quietly operating in Mexico, aiding US drug crisis,” <https://www.foxnews.com/world/chinese-cartels-mexico-us-drug-crisis>; Jorgic, D. (Dec. 3, 2020). “Special report burner phones and banking apps: meet the Chinese ‘brokers’ laundering Mexican drug money,” <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mexico-china-cartels-specialreport/special-report-burner-phones-and-banking-apps-meet-the-chinese-brokers-laundering-mexican-drug-money-idUSKBN28D1M4>

bringing democracy to China, yet its efforts in this is conspicuously unremarkable. Indeed, the current Japanese government is eagerly seeking to schedule the long postponed summit in Japan with Premier Xi Jinping. Japan has said nothing during Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi recent visit to Japan concerning Chinese fishing vessel incursions near the Senkaku Islands. Being one of the previous prime minister's close allies, it is unlikely a more forceful policy against China, much less one advocating for more democracy, will be a priority of the Suga Cabinet. It is not entirely clear how one is to motivate the current Japanese government to take on a more active anti-CCP stance.

Lin notes some cancer surgeons take a “wait and see” attitude, in that over time perhaps the cancer will eventually resolve. With this thinking, China—at some point—will grow up and somehow, all on its own, become a democratic and law-abiding nation. Given the absolute lack of able leadership from a competent Japanese “surgeon”, the Chinese people will suffer needlessly for the foreseeable future.

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