

香港的二次回歸 美國黯淡的國慶

論美中關係的未來和平之路

七月的第一週中美兩國都以非常不同的方式慶祝各自的重要節日,凸顯了兩國國運的走向,和各自所面臨的挑戰。短期內美中間的衝突將更激烈,但也必將促成彼此深層矛盾的檢討,因而為建立未來新穩定關係奠定基礎。

香港的二次回歸

七月一日,是香港回歸20周年紀念日,港區國安法完成立法,這不僅有效解決了長期以來,在外部勢力的公開支援下,部分香港人公開挑戰「一國兩制」的一中底線,而特區政府不能有效執法的困境,更代表了中國政府以前所未有的決心,拋棄顧忌快刀斬亂麻,實現香港的二次回歸,這將促進香港未來的穩定,震懾台獨勢力。

不可否認新法實施後有些港人可能擔憂香港的「兩制」是否會改變?香港是否將失去司法獨立性?過去的亂港份子是否會面臨秋後算帳的危險?

根據公開訊息,這些顧慮都是多餘的,香港特區維護國家安全法主要針對4項行為,包括顛覆國家政權、分裂國家、恐怖活動及外部勢力干預,其中分裂國家及顛覆國家政權罪行最高可被判終身監禁,除此之外,香港擁有全部的獨立司法權,而新法不具追溯力,所以只要未來不違法不需擔心秋後算帳。

以美英為首的西方國家也必然會以各種方式表達他們的不滿,日前美國參議院審議通過香港自治法案和有關涉港決議案,威脅對中方有關人員和實體機構實行制裁。29日,美國國務卿蓬佩奧在國務院網站發表聲明稱,美將於當日結束美產國防設備對華出口,並將對出口香港的國防和軍民兩用技術施加與中國大陸同樣的限制。美國所能做的最極端的反應也不過是取消對香港的特別優惠,威脅香港的全球金融中心地位。而中方已經有充分的準備應對各種挑戰。

英國直到今天,甚至對於31.5萬名持英國國民(海外)護照(BNO)的港人及其親屬,都沒有提供居留和工作權利,其「英國國民」的身份也不被歐盟承認。所以最近香港反中團體的領袖們紛紛宣佈脫離政治或逃走高飛。

香港須要安定環境解決內部矛盾,特別是巨大的貧富差距,及年青人的成家立業問題,而這些問題的產生就是香港政府長期追隨西方的發展模式所造成的。冰凍三尺非一日之寒,解決這些問題須要時間,須要安定的環境,國安法提供了時間和穩定!

美國黯淡的國慶

由於倉促復工沒有嚴謹的應對措施,加上黑人佛洛伊德因員警執法過當死亡所造成的全國性大規模抗議活動的持續進行,美國新冠疫情再度失控,感染人數於6月15日後迅速上升,死亡人數也將在七月第二週後增加,許多城市在獨立紀念日封閉了公共場所,這是美國幾十年來最低調和黯淡的國慶。

為了提振選情,川普不顧新冠疫情的傳播,聚集了熱情支持者,許多未戴口罩,3日和4日發表了兩篇演講。川普表演的不錯,美國也不缺乏寫愛

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國和民族自豪感的文人,這方面比海峽兩岸都強,所以很能煽動現場群眾情緒。演講重點之一是重溫美國的光榮歷史和成就,並將民主黨及「黑人命也是命」運動標識為美國傳統價值的背叛者;其次是指控中國是造成新冠病毒的禍首,淡化新冠病毒的威脅,並表彰自己抗疫的光輝成就。

問題是這些都是他的主觀想像,經不起事實檢驗。舉例而言,他說99%的新冠感染者沒有任何傷害,事實上確認感染者的死亡率是4.5%。新冠疫情暴露了他不能用人、口號治國、不科學、無組織、沒紀律的行事風格。所以他雖然首揭義旗直指過去四十年美國走錯了路,但無法領導人民撥亂反正,最終只是陳勝吳廣,而非劉邦!

今天美國的問題是背後真正掌權的金融寡頭,透過各種資源,無限放大次要矛盾,諸如員警黑人衝突、黑白矛盾、同性戀平權等等,來轉移造成經濟萎縮、貧富懸殊、施政無力的根本原因。病因不明,如何改正?兩黨都如此,美國必將繼續下滑!

美國沉淪的根本原因

過去幾十年美國的生產力成長很多,然而創造出的財富並沒有公平的分配到大多數人民的手中。從1948到1973年間,典型的工人工資與生產力幾乎同步增長,然而之後的47年雖然生產力持續增長而工資停滯不前。由於個人收入的兩極化不可避免,加速了財富(淨資產)的兩極化,到了2016年的美國,最低的40%家庭的總收入是1.58萬億(兆)元,低於最高1%家庭總收入的1.64兆,最低40%家庭的總資產是2490億美元,遠低於最高1%家庭總資產的34.7兆。貧富兩極化的最大受害者就是中西部的藍領工人,農民和黑人。

造成這個問題的遠因是1913年聯儲會的成立,讓歐洲的金融集團及紐約銀行家控制了美國的貨幣發行權,而近因是二戰後根據布萊頓森林協定所建立的固定匯率體系解體。1971年尼克森將美元和黃金脫勾後,建立石油美元機制,1980後新自由主義思維主導了英美,建立了浮動匯率的貨幣交換市場,加速無節制的發行美元,狂借世界各地的資金應付美國狂升的公債,並掠奪世界各地資源,直接導致產業外移,經濟成長過度依賴少數的新科技創新、金融投機、和資產的表面膨脹,使得人民拋棄了勤儉、儲蓄、長期投資等的傳統美德。為了維護少數金融寡頭及為其服務的「精英階級」的利益,不惜四處發動戰爭導致了世界動盪、貧富懸殊!

外幣交換的原始目的是為了促進貿易,然而,2019年外幣交換市場(Forex)的日成交總額是6.6兆美元,遠超過債券市場和股票市場,同年全球進出口總量是貨物19.48兆,服務業是5.8兆。四天外幣交換市場的總額就相當於1年的貿易進出口總量。難道不是本末導致的荒謬嗎?

更糟糕的是幾十年的實踐證明在資本自由化後全球經濟增長平均要比受管制的布雷頓森林時期低得多,經濟危機卻更加頻繁頻繁

:1982的拉丁美洲主權債務危機,1980年代的儲蓄和貸款行業危機,1987股市崩盤,1989垃圾債券危機,1994墨西哥債券危機,1997-98亞洲金融危機,1999-2000的互聯網泡沫,2007-08次貸金融危機,2020新冠病毒股市危機。危機的規模越來越大,成幾何性的上升,如今各國家銀行為了應對新冠病毒所造成的市場危機已經無底線的發行貨幣。這是典型的邁向爆炸性毀滅的結局!

誰是自由主義經濟的受益者?以美英為主的大銀行。操作細節不透明的10個最大銀行,美國佔六個,英國兩個,瑞士一個,德國一個。最大的交易貨幣是美元(44.15%),歐元(8.15%),日幣(8.4%),英鎊(6.4%),澳元(3.4%),加幣(2.5%)。最大的交易中心是倫敦(43.1%),紐約(16.5%),星加坡和香港(7.6%),日本(4.5%)。貨幣市場的特色是充滿高槓桿的投機金融衍生品,不公開,不透明,不平等的參與方式。

金融寡頭的信條是誰控制住金融誰就掌握一切,顯然的美英主導的財團控制了世界,這就理解5眼集團和G7的存在意義。然而,金融寡頭心中沒有國家,他們利用美國國家機器的力量來謀求小集團的利益,而今天美國和世界的主要矛盾是金融寡頭和為他們服務的各國精英階級的利益與廣大人民利益的衝突!

美中關係:衝突後必將和平共存

香港國安法的施行短期內必將激化美中衝突和東西方國家間的對立,除了美英採取行動外,最近戰場延伸到聯合國人權理事會、經貿戰場、和在中國周邊的軍事緊張局勢。

最能反應出當今世界意識形態分裂的就是在聯合國人權理事會對香港國安法的投票,支持中國的七十多國家,基本上是亞非、伊斯蘭國家和一帶一路參與者,基本特點是長期受歐洲殖民迫害的國家。反對的27國除了日本和少數太平洋島國以外,基本上是白人,北大西洋組織國家,共同特點是多為前殖民主義國家,和自認為是自由民主國家。沒有表態的是義大利、希臘、波蘭、印度、墨西哥、巴西、韓國及土耳其。史上最惡劣的人權摧殘者居然搖身一變成為人權衛士,你相信嗎?

最近英國、印度等相繼改變立場禁止華為參與當地5G的建設,法國、德國和西歐各國的立場值得關注,這是否預示著世界重回冷戰時期全面脫鉤的兩大集團?可能性很小,因為全球化的進程是科技發展的必然結果,全球邁向合作的趨勢是不可阻擋的!

隨著美國印太戰略的推展,中印邊境,南海邊境的軍事對峙惡化,但是中國沉著應對,以實力維繫了根本利益,保持了緊張的和平態勢。過去三年的發展充分顯示了一個事實:中國的上升是不可阻擋的!美中之間核子大戰是不可能的,衝突又不能令中國屈服,只有尋找新的共同點。美國希望繼續維持霸權,而習近平、王毅都重複強調中國不挑戰美國的霸權,如何落實到具體地區上呢?美國在南海的最大利益就是不能讓任何國家控制南海海上生命線,否則無法



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回應唐湘龍的擔心

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臺灣正經龍鳳配主講唐湘龍在7/3的飛碟早餐節目上用一小時來解讀香港通過的國安法,唐湘龍是很支持國安法的,他的分析是國安法的通過是一國兩制得真正開始,以前香港是等於兩國兩制、沒有實踐過一國兩制。他這個說法我同意。

唐湘龍擔心的是: 1)國安法沒有陪審團審判。 2)國安法審判是秘密不公開的。

1)國安法沒有陪審團審判

據我所知,美國凡是涉及重大的國家安全案件,沒見過用陪審團審判。就那去年川普就選涉俄國介入的審判就不見有陪審團。而做證的美國政府部門官員是對議會作證,有關國家機密時只對議會intelligence committee 做證。陪審團在有些軍事法庭案件有,也不是一班百姓可以被選,要是軍方的"peer"。

2)國安案件是秘密審判

這聽起來很恐怖但是我們該務實的談一談: 國安法案件一般涉及國家機密,公開審判,讓媒體,或其他人進來是不合理的。在美國供參考的問件往往都用黑筆塗掉,包括給資深議員。

我以為香港的司法問題很大,最高法院的法官26人中有18人是外國人,他們會如何處理國安法,解讀國安法是很重要的問題。香港的司法運做比美國更加鬆懈,把社會經濟穩定拋在窗外,他們拿著高薪,過著過去殖民地的老日子。

香港的教育理念和老師也是大英帝國的遺產,香港的報章雜誌更是文化西方普式價值的推銷。

這是現實條件,對國安法的執行要認真貫徹!

國民黨想長臂管轄香港事務?

◎沈維新

《香港國安法》第38條規定,外國人士聲援香港或議論香港政治的內容,若涉及法條規定的罪行,也可能觸法。國民黨主席江啟臣昨在中常會表示,堅決反對管轄權擴張的條文,政府應窮盡一切可能,保障台灣人民的基本權利與人身安全。

國民黨一向以改善兩岸關係為己任,目的在為台灣經濟找出活路,並造福台灣民眾。這次身為黨主席的江啟臣為了短視的政治利益,竟然忘了國民黨一向念茲在茲的神聖使命,搶在綠營之前發言非議香港國安法38條。你江啟臣何德何能,想對香港事務打起長臂管轄的主意?學老美學到這般程度?站在政治層面上說,江啟臣是臉皮厚;站在台灣百姓福祉問題上說,江啟臣忘了國民黨的使命,忘了國民黨對台灣老百姓的承諾,寡廉鮮恥!

香港人的心聲

◎羅蘭

熱烈支持港區國安法(基本法)通過了!

我們都在香港出生,又在美國受教育長大,親人朋友大都是移民家庭奉公守法,敬業樂業。飲水思源,熱愛祖國,希望美中關係和平發展,我們美華後裔為世界和平,人類平等幸福的將來多作出貢獻。

趙立堅批評美國是一針見血:「作為全球醫療技術最發達、最成熟的國家,應對疫情爛至如此程度,既讓人費解,也令人深思。...」美華的前途令人憂心忡忡,真是任重而道遠。

繼續掌控日韓,而中國的最大憂慮是確保海上運輸生命線的暢通,也許這是重新探討美中合作共管海上生命線的時候了。

未來世界和平的一個先決條件是西方,特別是美國,必須拋棄"普世獨一的民主價值觀"。民主是全人類的希望,但是實行的途徑絕非是唯一的,在一個複雜的非線性世界裡,往

往是答案不只一個,而且人類的進化是在不斷的自我完善中前進的,所以沒有永恆的制度,何況歷史證明西方的新自由主義制度已經失敗了!

2020新冠病毒加速了美國觀念的重組(paradigm shift),重新回到"全民利益至上"的信念將是美中新關係的最穩定群眾基礎。

Great American Success Story Makes America Great

Mainstream Media and Organic Views Dr. Wordman

its own protective layer, improved quality of service (QOS), an issue dogged many Internet communication products such as early Internet telephony (for example, IPO2U). Many corporations invested in Zoom including Masayoshi, CEO of SoftBank, who made more than \$100B on his investment in Alibaba.

Yuan's Zoom product benefited me during 'my self-imposed quarantine', but more importantly the Zoom success made me think about what will make America great again. President Trump's campaign slogan, 'America First and Make America Great Again', united half of the U.S. But we need to unite the whole America to understand one thing; it is the great American success story (Silicon Valley Spirit) that will make America great. We must abandon fake news, blame game, smearing diplomacy and dirty politics. For example, the impeachment wasted our precious time and energy away from paying attention to the seriousness of corona-virus. The blame game and fake news further divided our nation rather than united us to act. Blaming China for the U.S. problems and addicting to an illogical 'China threat' hypothesis produced incoherent, hypocritical and ineffective foreign policy, totally against the Silicon Valley Spirit which China is trying so hard to emulate. The current hostile 'China policy' will not make America great or weaken China. The COVID-19 pandemic revealed the faults of "blame China" and "smear China"; it did not help the U.S. but only made China striving more for self-sufficiency and appearing more like a global leader, whereas the U.S. is perceived as one abandoning her principles and justice.

The money coming to Wall Street is not because of the current U.S. foreign policy, certainly not the China policy; it came because of Silicon Valley Spirit which has made Eric and many others successful. America lost some of their manufacturing base, but we cannot force them back by charging China stealing our manufacturing jobs. Our industrialists let them go and preferred financial and data industries. The U.S. is a part of the globe even though we have been the top leader for a century. We cannot arbitrarily abandon globalism and define an American isolationism. Wouldn't that be too much like "you can't have the cake and eat it too"?

The Silicon Valley Spirit that fostered many American success stories has a number of winning ingredients: 1. Freedom of capital and capitalism - the U.S. is still the best fertile ground for capitals. Silicon Valley is still the paradise for capitalists who can exert their capital power under a free venture and entrepreneur system. 2. Respect for talent and immigrants - Yuan is just one example of "immigrants made this country great". Yet our current news is discriminating against immigrants (tightening immigration laws and restricting Chinese immigration to the U.S. Allegedly, Yuan came to this country after 9 applications of visa. Our government is suspecting all Chinese scientists and researchers as spies for China. The politicians' discriminatory remarks about corona-virus created a series of hate crimes against Asians.) 3. Leadership in technology innovation - competition is a source of energy and creativity for successes. (We cannot be afraid of competition. We must welcome fair and square competition. Under the Silicon Valley Spirit, we must cherish proud winners not sore losers.) 4. Success factors in success stories - there are a few key elements: a. Work ethic (drive, focus and perseverance), b. Open to talents, good ideas and ability to collaborate, c. Respect history (giants in the field) and humble to learn then excel, and d. Open to the world - In the global environment today, we must respect foreign history and culture, welcome immigrants, and engage collaboration. (As a great nation, we must promote international collaboration not isolationism.)

The U.S. - China relations are on the rocks today. The U.S. China policies are violating the above golden rules of American success story. We can label China as a competitor, but using trade sanctions, discriminating against Chinese Americans and immigrants, prohibiting Chinese technology companies to do business and invest in the U.S. are all wrong. The hostile China policy has not been effective; the corona-virus pandemic gave us a clear example. Self-reflecting is far more useful than blaming others. The COVID-19 pandemic taught us that human is one race, we must work together to fight our common enemy not each other. While we are forced to be self-quarantined with time to reflect, let's think honestly about great American success stories and how to make America great again with an open mind to engage competition. The U.S. had a fast growth period in the 60's and 70's, we should re-energize our successful programs such as NSF, NASA, ARPA, etc. We must invest in R&D to compete with foreign companies (like Huawei) and empower our citizens to entrepreneur and create new industries and jobs. It is shameful to use tactics like inducing Canada to arrest Huawei's executive Ms. Sarah Meng, sanctioning Huawei products in the U.S. and coercing our allies to restrict Huawei's 5G products and systems. These tactics will only degrade the U.S. reputation and leadership. We must understand and exploit the Silicon Valley Spirit - recognizing the existing giants and discovering our mustangs who can run faster and offer better innovations to beat the competition. We must bet on our mustangs to win, since smearing anyone does not make us the winner!

The development of COVID-19 pandemic in the world is still a severe situation, but we see obvious increase and focus of efforts in fighting it. China essentially contained the pandemic and offered her experience and support to other seriously infected countries. The U.S. has climbed up in toll of deaths caused by COVID-19 but signs are showing hopeful stabilization. My State, New York, is the worst hit State. We are essentially all self-quarantined in homes. Last weekend was my birthday and I received a surprise 'virtual birthday party' on Zoom, secretly organized by my wife with my six grown-up children, their spouses, my six grand sons and future daughter-in-law. I was totally surprised, thrilled and touched by their well wishes, stories they told, rare family photos showed and various performances they exhibited through Zoom. It was a great three-generation event, I was grateful for having it while observing social distancing. A birthday without fancy cake, but it was my best birthday.

Zoom (ZM, Zoom Video Communications) is a late comer in video conferencing business, founded by Eric Yuan, an immigrant from Shandong Province, China, in 1995. Eric is not a super inventor, but he has qualities of focus, hard-working and strong will of making a product the best possible. He started as an engineer in 1997 with WebEx, a video conferencing company which went public in 2000 and was bought by Cisco in 2007. Eric was lucky in his first job and made his first pot of money with WebEx. He joined Cisco with WebEx and became a VP for engineering. Not able to convince Cisco to rebuild a better new system, he left in 2012 and pursued his Silicon Valley entrepreneurial adventure. His success today came with his personal ability, personality winning money man's trust, and perseverance to accomplish his goal. Zoom had its IPO in April 2019 with stock price at \$36, but it zoomed over \$165 As of May 18, 2020 in little over than a year's time, making Eric a billionaire. Eric's success story is no intriguing fairy tale, lots of Chinese, Indian and other immigrant technology workers have similar opportunities. It is the 'Silicon Valley' spirit and American free capital and enterprise systems that fostered Eric's and many other American success stories.

Eric not only drew talents from Silicon Valley but he also tapped China. His success is just one more example endorsing the 'Silicon Valley Spirit': respect talent, cultivate international collaboration and beat the competition. Video conferencing has a lot of giants as competitors, Cisco, Google, Microsoft just to name a few. Zoom came up with a user friendly and easy to install client interface, dealt with the challenge of multiple browsers and their updates with