

Abe Shinzō:

Transformational Leader in 21st Century

Indo-Pacific and Global International Relations

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Motto no. 1: "What I call the *Free and Open Indo-Pacific strategy* derives from our desire to preserve the blessings of open seas, together with these very countries, as well as the United States, Australia, India and...all countries and peoples who share the same intent." Statement by Prime Minister Abe Shinzō at the United Nations General Assembly [UNGA], September 2018; emphasis added.

Motto no. 2: "Japan bears the responsibility of fostering the confluence of the Pacific and Indian Oceans [Indo-Pacific] and of Asia and Africa into a place that values freedom, the rule of law, and the market economy, free from force or coercion, and making it prosperous." Statement by Prime Minister Abe Shinzō at TICAD [Tokyo International Conference on African Development] summit, Nairobi , Kenya, August 2016; emphasis added.

Motto no.3: “Over the last decade, and especially over the last four years, Japan has emerged as a quiet leader in the Indo-Pacific....a stalwart of the liberal, rules-based international order. It deepened ties with its neighbors, expanded multilateral initiatives, and set the regional agenda on trade and digital governance, among other issues. Through a combination of good timing, clear-eyed leadership, and innovative domestic reform, the island nation has proved not only a reliable partner to the United States and its allies in the Indo-Pacific but an architect of the region’s emerging liberal order.” “Japan is the New Leader of Asia’s Liberal Order” by Chang Che, *Foreign Affairs*, February 24,2021; emphasis added.

Motto no.4: “By the standards of any politician, *Shinzo Abe is a hard act to follow*. Over four terms of office stretching back to 2006, *Abe did more to raise his country’s profile and international presence than perhaps any Japanese leader since the [sic] second world war. Along the way he became the country’s longest-serving prime minister, its youngest since the war, ushered in revolutionary economic policies that still bear his name, broached the taboo over the country’s pacifist constitution and built a formidable personal brand that gained the respect of capitals across the world.* Indeed, so great does his presence loom. that many Japanese are openly wondering whether his departure, throws into doubt Japan’s influence with its allies and its ambitions as a leader for the region.” Maria Siow Commentary - *This Week in Asia*, September 5, 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 5: “*Abe’s vision*, [as expressed in the 2012 ADSD position paper- JK] *is now integral to how diplomats and politicians across Asia, Oceania and beyond have begun to think. No leader in recent memory has so completely and profoundly transformed strategic thinking in Asia.*” Mihir Sharma, Commentary - *Bloomberg-on- line*, September 3, 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 6: “[M]ore than any previous prime minister, Abe elevated Japan’s diplomatic standing. He transformed the country into a global leader on free trade (partly by outmaneuvering Japan’s powerful agricultural lobby), revamped the way Japan approaches foreign policy (with the establishment of the National Security Council in 2013), and supplied a vision for the region—the so-called Indo-Pacific strategy—that other Western powers, including the United States, are now trying to emulate.” Mireya Solis “The Underappreciated Power- Japan after Abe” *Foreign Affairs* November/December 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 7: “Shinzo Abe was able to increase Japan’s global stature and influence, enhance its military capabilities, and at the same time acknowledge the criminal mistakes of the past with candor and remorse as he did on the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II in 2015. Shinzo’s retirement as Prime Minister will leave a real gap in the international councils where he has been so respected for so long. In all our dealings he was profoundly decent and sincere- qualities all too rare in political circles. He will be sorely missed, but his many friends around the world thank him for his service and wish him a swift return to good health and a long and happy life with his wife Akie.” Statement by The RH Malcolm Turnbull, former Prime Minister of Australia, September 2020; emphasis added.

Summary (updated to August 2021)– Japan, between 2006-2012, was in one of its occasional periods of “revolving door” administrations (like in the 1930s, 1944-48, the late 1970s and the late 1980s). The country had six prime ministers – three representing the Liberal Democratic Party [LDP] –and three from the Democratic Party of Japan [DPJ], a now-defunct LDP “light”.

The LDP is the world’s longest serving (since November 1955 except for 1993-5 and 2009-12) democratically elected Conservative political party in postwar history due to its *phenomenal success* in turning a nation with a territory the size of the Canadian province of Newfoundland/Labrador (population 500,000) with a population 3.5 times larger than Canada’s 37 million, living in an environment which is 85% mountains and frequent and deadly earthquakes, tsunamis, active volcanoes and mudslides as its “natural resources,” into a global economic, technological, industrial, trade, cultural and , since late 2012, a potentially emerging political powerhouse. (mottos 3-7)

An ambitious reformist agenda of the nation’s domestic and foreign affairs gained Abe Shinzō LDP support for a phoenix-like return to power after a brief one-year stint as prime minister [2006-7], cut short by a chronic health problem and five years as regular parliamentarian. The second Abe mandate lasted almost eight years [December 2012- September 2020- an “eternity” in the competitive LDP leadership environment] and was overall highly impressive. It gave the Japanese statesman the opportunity to put to work his skills as *ambitious yet pragmatic domestic reformer* and especially as *transformational leader in international relations*.

This essay is a brief narrative and analytical *tour d’horizon* of the main domestic and foreign policies of Abe Shinzō- the immediate past and longest serving Prime Minister of Japan. Internally, Abe initiated major changes in the nation’s management, economic, financial, educational, social, immigration, environmental and agricultural realms. He also *captained* Japan’s successful candidacy to host the 2020 Olympic/Paralympic Games and managed very well the country’s initial struggle against the New Coronavirus pandemic.

International relations and security – an intertwined and challenging field in which **Prime Minister Abe left an indelible regional and global legacy worthy of the Nobel Peace Prize** - is given special attention. At the bilateral level, Japan’s relations with the United States, China, India, Russia, South Korea, Taiwan and Canada are covered in more detail. The foreign policy of the second Abe administration was a veritable *tour de force* whose impact is felt almost daily through the implementation of his ideas and their variants even after his departure. For the first time in the postwar era, in the complex – bilateral, regional and global- realm of international relations, Japan displayed creativity, relentless dynamism, inspiration, initiative and *de-facto* leadership mixed with firm readiness for direct material and physical involvement – all coalescing into the marquee policy Mr. Abe called **proactive pacifism** (translation of his sekkyokuteki heiwashugi) - the unswerving commitment to the successful and beneficial postwar US-led liberal-democratic order and its basic values : the rule of law, human rights and capitalist prosperity. It is Abe Shinzō who firmly placed Japan on a dramatically enhanced path of realistic, responsible and participatory foreign and security policies (building on earlier contributions by Nakasone Yasuhiro and Koizumi Jun’ichirō) commensurate with the country’s well-earned status of economic, trade, technological and cultural powerhouse *cum* leading bastion of democracy. No more *economic giant and political dwarf*.

I consider what is occasionally called the *Abe Doctrine* in Japanese foreign policy and international relations, as fully contoured in a timely, concise, highly readable, pragmatic and indeed transformational position-paper (though *not* official document) Prime Minister Abe published in English on his return to national leadership in late December 2012. Titled *Asia’s*

Democratic Security Diamond [ADSD – the metaphorical geo-strategic diamond referring to Japan, the United States, India and Australia] - it combines elements from a speech Abe delivered in the Indian Parliament during an official visit in August 2007, with his (bleak) assessment of the regional scene due to China's expansionist policies over the five years prior to his comeback (thus under Hu Jintao). The 2007 speech, titled "*Confluence of the Two Seas*" -i.e. the Indian and Pacific Oceans as one contiguous perimeter – is the origin of **Indo-Pacific**- the geo-strategic term Mr. Abe more than any other contemporary political leader, scholar, intellectual or journalist promoted as "replacement" for Asia-Pacific. A skeptical Wang Yi – Xi Jinping's arrogant foreign minister- predicted that the term would "dissipate like seawater foam."

In light of the major direct and indirect changes it has elicited **during** and **after** the Abe tenure, **ADSD should be considered one of the most consequential foreign policy statements of purpose issued by the leader of a major global democratic power in this century.** The manifesto's blunt though carefully worded focus is China's aggressive (**not assertive** as Beijing, the hesitant, intimidated, or politically correct media, academic and political elites in democratic nations insist on calling it despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary as shown throughout this compendium) and expansionist foreign policy, as a common challenge to Japan, the Indo-Pacific and beyond, followed by pragmatic, defensive, resolute yet constructive and peaceful policy suggestions. **ADSD ideas** have become the *de-facto* foreign policy and security platform for existing and emerging bilateral(Japan-US/Japan-India/India-Australia/Japan-Australia/Japan-Vietnam/Japan-Indonesia etc.) and multilateral frameworks, especially Abe Shinzō's *Quadrilateral Security Dialogue* [QSD] or the **Quad**- (the ADSD/Four Power expandable security system and potential alliance, aimed at countering relentless Chinese aggression against Japan, the US, Taiwan, the Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei, Vietnam, Indonesia, Australia and India). Conceptually, ADSD spawned the by-now widely accepted **FOIP** [*Free and Open Indo Pacific* - formally enunciated by Prime Minister Abe only in 2016] policy as common denominator for the international effort needed to attain the (hopefully) peaceful containment of Beijing's rapacious regional and global political, economic and military hegemonism and territorial expansionism.

In 2021 (almost a decade after ADSD's publication) **it is clear that China's political system and policies are the most immediate obstacle to regional and global peace and even a health challenge to humanity** (the New Corona virus pandemic having erupted in and been ruthlessly manipulated by the Regime). Nonetheless, a combination of relentless Beijing propaganda (originating in China as well as in all Western democracies through what I see as a revival of pre-WW II **appeasement** as shown below) and the malignant impact of political correctness deployed by anti-democratic Marxist/Leftist elements onto the political, intellectual, media, academic and educational realms of all democratic societies, has created a paradoxical and worrisome phenomenon. In the digital age, a veritable **flood** of available data in various formats has given birth to what I see as an acute **dearth** of accurate and reliable knowledge, thus basic general comprehension of the manifold (political, security, military, technological, economic and civilizational) challenge China constitutes to democracies everywhere. It is this disturbing reality that underpins my high praise for Abe Shinzō's strategic thinking (crisply displayed in ADSD and then in the Japanese and international policies it inspired). Life gave Mr. Abe the opportunity to successfully implement his ideas as national and international leader and *influencer*. (*mottos* no.1-7). Although firmly committed to constitutional reform (for reasons of national security and honour), Abe Shinzō – the nationalist and patriot, in domestic politics and policies was never a *revisionist* but a pragmatic *practitioner* of (1947 Constitution-based) liberal-democracy. As for foreign and security policies, Prime Minister Abe turned Japan into a rapidly growing and consequential contributor (within the confines of the Constitution) to the postwar US-guaranteed liberal-democratic regional and international security and defense regime. Overall, domestically

and internationally Abe was a sensible, determined, dynamic, visionary and largely successful leader and *reformer*.

ADSD (though clearly attributable, much shorter and focusing on “communist” China) is strongly reminiscent in relevance of the secret [George] **Kennan** (Mr. X) *memorandum* – which became the blueprint for deterrence and containment American policies vis-à-vis the Soviet/communist threat, seventy-five years ago.

The Quad - proposed by Prime Minister Abe in 2007, as an informal geo-political and security consultation and coordination vehicle among the four leading democracies of the Indo-Pacific-gradually gained the support of the US, Australia and India – all originally hesitant out of concern with China’s reaction. The Quad’s commitment to traditional democratic values from freedom of expression, human rights, the rule of law and market economy principles, together with the alliance with the US, UN-focused international cooperation, and stable relations with China, South Korea and Russia constitute the philosophical foundation of Japan’s foreign policy.

Historically, the Quad’s first major security undertaking was the annual Malabar naval exercise (initiated by India in 2008) in response to Beijing’s already expansionist moves in the Indo-Pacific. As expected, at the time, aggressive China played the familiar *victimist* card – accusing the Quad nations of misinterpreting its otherwise “peaceful” intentions. There has been an exponential growth in aggressive Chinese expansionism across the Indo-Pacific since the advent of Xi Jinping which coincided with the Abe tenure. As a result, in 2017, President Donald Trump in a speech at the APEC [Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation] summit in Hanoi, pledged support for the FOIP concept in the context of Free and Open Naval Operations [FONOP]. In the same year the Administration’s *National Security Strategy* identified China as the nation’s top strategic challenge; in military terminology, USINDOPACOM [US *Indo-Pacific* Command] replaced USPACOM [US Pacific Command]. Washington’s *Free and Open Indo-Pacific: Advancing and Shared Vision* of 2019 covered all major aspects – political, military, security, socio-economic and development - of the China challenge- to which Washington pledged full commitment but also called for wide-ranging regional and global cooperation. In mid 2021, a major enhancement, re-allocation and reorganization of US naval assets is contemplated along the following lines: the Pacific Ocean would be the perimeter of the Japan-based Sixth Fleet while a First Fleet ostensibly headquartered in Singapore would cover the Indian Ocean.

In September 2020 during the Rim-Pac naval exercises of the Quad nations and other navies to which China (unlike past similar maneuvers) was not invited and after low-key military activities over a number of years (in the naïve hope that Beijing would mitigate its aggressive **Heshin Ri’i – Core [Area] Interest- imperialism** *detailed below*) a swift policy change became apparent. In reaction to Indo-Pacific Chinese expansionism - from the Himalayas to the South China Sea and the East China Sea-the Quad powers were considering formalization of the framework. In early October the foreign ministers of Japan, India and Australia and then United States secretary of state Mike Pompeo convened in Tokyo for consultations. Secretary Pompeo called openly for the *institutionalization of the Quad*.

The Trump administration’s combative approach to China (triggered **only** by Beijing’s predatory trade practices, rampant theft of intellectual property and treacherous pandemic policy) has been reinforced in the Biden era. On February 18, 2021 a conference call among Foreign Ministers Motegi of Japan, Payne of Australia, Jayshankar of India and Secretary of State Blinken of the United States delivered a strong message of rejection of Chinese expansionism and firm commitment to the FOIP concept. On March 12, 2021, President J.R. Biden convened a historic (virtual) first leaders’ summit of the Four Nations. The official White House communique titled

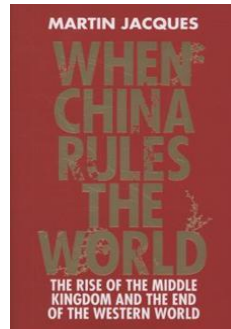
“Quad Leaders’ Joint Statement: The Spirit of the Quad” made reference to a host of major issues – from climate change and pandemic relief to cooperation on 5G/6G communication technology and against cyber attacks, protection of intellectual property and natural disasters. The document expressed full support for ASEAN as the leading regional hub and partner for peaceful solution of Indo-Pacific problems - the implied obstacle being Chinese aggression- in terms unmistakably echoing ADSD: “We have convened to reaffirm our commitment to quadrilateral cooperation between Australia, India, Japan and the United States.. in a shared vision of the *Indo-Pacific...as a region that is free, open, inclusive, healthy, anchored by democratic values and unconstrained by coercion.... we pledge to strengthen our cooperation on the defining challenges of our time.*” After committing the signatories to “cooperation on the critical technologies of the future to ensure that innovation is consistent *with a free, open, inclusive, and resilient Indo-Pacific,*” the communique made direct references to the legal and security issues specific to the maritime domain, in the face of implied Chinese imperialism:

We will continue to prioritize the role of international law in the maritime domain, particularly as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), and facilitate collaboration, including in maritime security, to meet **challenges to the rules-based maritime order in the East and South China Seas**. Emphasis added.

In an unprecedented warning to (unmentioned) Beijing, the communique expressed strong support for the wellbeing and security (though not the formal independence) of **Taiwan** and its membership in the WHO [World Health Organization]. Given Taipei’s stellar performance throughout the pandemic, the UN agency would benefit from Taiwan’s contribution at least as much as the other way around. De-nuclearization of, and the full accounting of Japanese citizens kidnapped by Pyongyang were the focus of the North Korea section of the document. After announcing steps clearly leading to institutionalization – in the form of **another leaders’ summit before the end of 2021** and **regular annual meetings of foreign ministers**- the communique ended with the formal pledge “to leveraging our partnership to help the world’s most dynamic region respond to [China-fomented] *historic crisis*, so that it may be *the free, open, accessible, diverse, and thriving Indo-Pacific* we all seek.” The Quad’s present format should facilitate *affiliation through participation* by Canada, (see *below*) Taiwan and as many members as possible of the ASEAN, especially Vietnam, Indonesia and Thailand. In addition to the US and Japanese navies, France and Britain -which possess Pacific territories - are reviving their military presence in the Indo-Pacific- as proposed in ADSD. In July-August 2021 a five-week long naval exercise by Quad+ (the Netherlands, Britain, France, Canada, New Zealand) naval forces code-named *Talisman Sabre* was launched in the South China Sea.

In light of these fresh cardinal developments – stemming from his indefatigable endeavours while in office, for the security, defense and territorial integrity of Japan and of all other Indo-Pacific nations and beyond, as well as for regional and global freedom, peace and prosperity –all challenged by aggressive Chinese policies - as carefully laid out in ADSD- **Abe Shinzō is a most deserving candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize**. Mr. Abe was on the list of 100 Global Thinkers (2013) ; he earned the *Herman Kahn Award* (2013), the ***Asian of the Year Award*** (2013) the *Boston Global Forum’s World Leader in Cybersecurity Award* (2015) and was twice on the list of Time magazine’s 100 most influential world personalities.

There is a growing body of work – produced by the Beijing Regime as well as by its many foreign admirers and supporters – Asian nationalists like Singaporean Kishore **Mahbubani** and American Parag **Khana**, Canadian academics Paul **Evans** and Wenran **Jiang**, and Senator Yuen Pau **Woo**, and media types such as Leftist UK *Guardian* journalist Martin **Jacques** - promoting the idea of the supposed inevitability of humanity's (bleak) future *When China Rules the World* (book below).



Given my deep concern with the absence of even the most basic familiarity in all democratic societies with the serious challenge the political system and **particularly the policies of “communist” China - ADSD’s raison d’être**- represent, the Abe essay is followed by two informative, Abe-era related appendices: **Appendix no. 1- Dire History Repeated: on the Neo-Fascist Beijing Regime** (China under Xi Jinping – domestically and in its foreign policy- as a 21st century version of European Fascism until 1945) and **Appendix no. 2- The Voldemortian Beijing Regime’s Sopranos-Style Diplomacy** (on the arrogant and crass behaviour of Beijing *diplomats*).

Note on Terms and Style

Japan uses two calendar systems: the Gregorian [Western] which is linear, and at the same time, the Japanese, which is cyclical, each cycle (era or *nengō*) starting when a new emperor ascends the throne and bearing a propitious formal name. The enthronement of Emperor Naruhito inaugurated the **Reiwa** [Harmony and Peace] era on May 1, 2019. In March 2020, the Government of Japan requested that Japanese personal names be rendered in foreign languages in the order in which they appear in Japanese: family name, followed by given name: thus Prime Minister Abe Shinzō, Foreign Minister Motegi Toshimitsu, etc. A diacritical sign [straight line] atop a vowel makes its reading twice the length of a regular vowel.

China’s official name for the past 72 years is the People’s Republic of China [PRC]. However, the first two appellations are substantively false since the Chinese people after 1949 are lorded over by the anti-democratic, totalitarian, dictatorial, violent, lawless Chinese Communist Party [CCP]; they have no political rights – particularly when it comes to electing their national leaders- nor human, religious and legal rights or freedom of expression. The term PRC belongs in the same category of fraudulent communist political designations like the DPRK [“Democratic People’s Republic” of (North) Korea], a Beijing “running dog.” The **Beijing Regime** is one accurate descriptive term for the PRC as the CCP (One Party) state. Xi Jinping- officially CCP General Secretary, PRC President, Chairman of the Central Military Commission, Supreme Commander of the CCP Army (formally, the People’s Liberation Army) as well as what the CCP calls the Core Leader and the People’s Leader (revived Mao-era titles), in March 2018 changed the Regime’s “constitution,” (doing away with the two five-year tenure limit for strongmen which his predecessor – Hu Jintao- had observed) de-facto anointing himself Strongman-for-Life after his second five-year rule ends , in 2022. The terms **Xi Jinping Regime** or **Xi Beijing** (Xi’s Beijing regime) express

that grim dictatorial reality since *Xi's word is the law on all important issues*. Globally, China is in the process of building a de-facto totalitarian alliance for which I have devised the acronym **BIMPAT** [Beijing/Islamabad/Moscow/Pyongyang/Ankara/Tehran]. The Quad is the rapidly coalescing democratic counterweight to BIMPAT. At the June 2021 G-7 summit in London, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson suggested the formation of **D-10** (the G-7 democracies plus India, South Korea and Australia, which were invited to the summit) and even of a **T[Technology] -12** (the D-10 plus Israel and Sweden). Together with the functioning and expanding Quad (Britain has expressed interest in joining) the other two potentially emerging bodies should provide the democracies with the military, security (especially cybersecurity) political and technological capabilities needed to cope with Beijing and BIMPAT.

The **New Coronavirus** and the **Wuhan Coronavirus** are the terms used here for the devastating pandemic that originated in the Huanan open air fish and animal (*wet*) market in Wuhan – the capital of Hubei province in central China in late 2019. The scourge spread globally (spawning British, Brazilian, South African, Indian, Chilean, Vietnamese and other variants) and has caused over four million deaths (at this writing) due only to the utterly irresponsible way Xi Beijing approached it as shown below. *Covid-19*, a term devised by WHO head Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus in what I consider to be his attempt to “hide” Beijing’s full original responsibility for the catastrophe, (see p. 36) is avoided.

The growing number of verbal, social media and physical attacks against Asians (in fact East Asians deemed to be Chinese thus “responsible” for the pandemic) perpetrated by racists in many countries are beyond the pale; relentless public chastisement of these contemptible acts, reinforced by the swift and stiff enforcement of the law by authorities in all democratic nations in particular are the adequate antidotes to this epidemic of inhumanity.

Paragraphs in smaller fonts contain additional relevant information related to the subject.

This disturbing issue is much more complex, however. Recently there has been a malodorous trend linking anti-[East] Asian racist outbursts exclusively to so-called “*White Supremacy*” and *Critical Race Theory* (inventions of the late Black anti-White racist academic Derrick Bell). This blanket accusation is patently false; although some of the anti-[East] Asian attacks in the US, Canada and Europe are perpetrated by racist Whites, violent physical attacks on East Asians and their businesses – particularly Korean and Chinese grocery-store owners- carried out by Blacks in Black neighbourhoods in the US have been going on for decades. Particularly strange in this context is the statement by **Jennifer Ho**, Professor of Asian-American Studies at the University of Boulder in early April 2021: “*[W]hen a Black person attacks an [East] Asian person, the encounter is fueled perhaps by racism, but very specifically by white supremacy. White supremacy does not require a white person to perpetuate it.*” Ho is or (perhaps in order to ingratiate herself on her Black and White anti-White racist mentors *below*) pretends to be, unaware of the sordid bigger picture: that over 90% of murders of Black men in America are committed by other Black men in Black-majority neighbourhoods (in Chicago, Baltimore, Philadelphia, etc.) or of the rampant anti-White racism and/or antisemitism of *certain* present and past Black and White leaders and public opinion makers in the US and Canada :Louis **Farakhan**, Jeremiah **Wright**, Noam **Chomsky**, Al **Sharpton**, Jesse **Hymietown Jackson**, Peggy **McIntosh**, Robin **Di Angelo**, Tamika **Mallory**, Erin M. **Dyson**, Ta- Nehisi **Coates**, James **Baldwin**, Derrick **Bell**, Desmond **Cole**, Celine Cesar **Chavannes**, Senator Wanda **Thomas Bernard** etc.

American academic L. **Dujon Johnson** experienced first-hand eternal Chinese anti-Black racism: “I...went to China for the first time — and I didn’t know, but **the Chinese are very, very racist....** They would curse at me, and they would be spitting at me. I was only the third African-American to study at the university there; the first one attempted suicide; the second one went home crazy. It was horrible. I got so angry when I realized what was going on.” Johnson was not deterred, however; after earning a PhD from National Sun

Yat-sen University in Nanjing he published *Race and Racism in the Chinas: Chinese Racial Attitudes toward Africans and African-Americans*. Investigative journalist Howard French also documented Chinese anti-Black racism (see p. 35).

In conclusion, racism exists in smaller or bigger pockets in all societies without exception. No society is totally racist or non-racist. It is up to authorities and societies at large to deal with the problem mainly through adequate education, the indispensable starting point of which should be a **holistic approach to the phenomenon** since anti-White racism (using *Shame and Tame* tactics for political and financial gain) is **not** the solution to all forms of racism, antisemitism for instance. This is particularly so since postwar fully democratic societies (including Japan) are by far the most genuine in their commitment to mitigating racism. The potentially race war-inducing “intersectionality” theory of Black nationalist, anti-White racist Columbia University Professor Kimberlè Crenshaw uses non-White racist tribalism as lowest common denominator aimed at turning American society into one dominated by a FBIPOCLGBTQ+ anti-White coalition ruled by Black nationalists. Professor Ho is a Crenshaw “convert,” as is veteran PBS journalist John Yang (an American of Chinese ancestry) who has started referring to himself as a “person of colour” - a Black-nationalist, tribalist, divisive, anti-White racist term. A direct Marxist ideological line connects Mao’s criminal “cultural revolution” (1964-1976) with his *Quotations from Chairman Mao* booklet-toting Black Power nationalist/separatist activists in Oakland California, murderous Radical- Leftist professors and students on Western and Japanese campuses in the late 1960s, and today’s aggressive, global anti-Western, anti-American, antisemitic, *BLM/Antifa (Marxist-Fa) cum* politicians/business shakedown experts and their *Cancel (Western) Culture*, Woke anti-White racist insurrectional movement led by the Cullors-Khan/Garza/Tometi [CGT] Black **triumfeminate** also ensconced in Oakland, California.

Intellectual, scholarly and celebrity rejection of Crenshaw/BLM tribalism, divisiveness, Black supremacist anti-White racism (completely ignored by all “mainstream,” always *Sinisterist* (see below) educational institutions and most media) does exist. John McWhirter’s recent *Woke Racism* is a valuable addition to the eminent works and activism of Thomas Sowell, Douglas Murray, Larry Elder, Jordan Peterson, Amir Taheri, Coleman Hughes, Tariq Fatah, Candace Owens, Ben Shapiro, David Victor Hanson, Denzel Washington, Morgan Freeman and others.

Publishing the compendium at **Free & Open Indo-Pacific.net** has given me editorial freedom at a time of growing impact on scholarship, media, international relations as well as intellectual, political and publishing realms, of **Sinisterism** (from the Latin *sinister* – for Left- my neologism for ideological, political, socio-economic and cultural Marxism/Leftism – which are anti-democratic, thus **neither** liberal **nor** progressive.) *Sinisterism/Marxism/Leftism* are used interchangeably.

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The compendium contains some original ideas – all supported by adequate evidence and my interpretations thereof. Translations from other languages are mine throughout. **For smoother reading no hyperlinks or notes are used.**

Read the essay and appendices

I - Abe Shinzō : Background, Ideas and Domestic Policies



A flare-up of chronic *ulcerative colitis* (an intestinal malady) forced Prime Minister Abe Shinzō (picture above- an LDP election poster; the slogan – *Nihon ga ugokihajimeta*- translates as *Japan on the Move*) to suddenly announce his resignation in late August 2020 after almost eight years in office.

Mr. Abe's successor - Suga Yoshihide - was chosen in mid-September in an emergency electoral procedure limited to LDP parliamentarians and 3 representatives each of 47 nationwide LDP chapters- 535 people in all. The unexpected Abe departure gave Suga – for eight years Mr. Abe's trusted Chief Cabinet Secretary –the position closest to any Japanese prime minister in both policy and politics- an initial edge. Contributing mostly, however, to the Suga victory was his pledge to continue Abe policies. Indeed, Finance Minister and Deputy Prime Minister Asō Tarō, the Governor of the Bank of Japan Kuroda Haruhiko, and Foreign Minister Motegi Toshimitsu kept their positions. Mr. Abe functions as a regular (though influential) parliamentarian.

In 2021, Mr. Suga is serving out the last year in his predecessor's third three –year term. Domestically, the Suga administration's immediate priority has been to navigate the treacherous waters of the New Coronavirus pandemic's third wave – from imposing regional lockdowns through a national vaccination campaign to deciding to hold a drastically scaled-down Olympic/Paralympic Games postponed from 2020 to July 2021.

In the always competitive environment of LDP leadership candidates, Suga Yoshihide was an unusual contender. He hails from an apolitical, farming family in snowy Akita prefecture of northern Japan, who built his political career not in his birthplace like most conservative politicians but in Kanagawa prefecture, near Tokyo. The background of the leader he replaced could not be more different.

Abe Shinzō personifies Japan's postwar political elite represented by the pragmatically conservative, highly successful and dominant LDP. An interesting feature of the LDP are political *dynasties* which, prompted by the Japanese version of *noblesse oblige*, have political clout through service. Abe Shintarō, the former Prime Minister's father served as foreign minister (1982-86). The young Abe served as his father's secretary and accompanied him on many trips abroad. Mr. Abe's paternal grandfather was parliamentarian Abe Kan, his maternal grandfather prime minister Kishi Nobusuke (1957-60), the architect of the alliance with the US. Prime Minister Abe is the longest serving leader in Japan's history. The second longest serving postwar prime

minister was Satō Eisaku (1964-72), Mr. Abe's great-uncle and the 1974 [co]- winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.



Abe Shintarō



Abe Kan



Kishi Nobusuke



Satō Eisaku

Abe Shinzō was born in Tokyo on September 21, 1954. He earned a Political Science degree from Seikei University in Tokyo and studied Public Policy at the University of Southern California in the United States; he has a good command of the English language demonstrated in his 2015 address to the Congress of the United States and in ADSD. Mr. Abe has been a parliamentarian since 1993 representing constituencies in Yamaguchi prefecture in western Japan- his extended family's political base. Ideologically, Abe Shinzō is a nationalist, thus a strong patriot. Nationalism, in the past few decades has been given an unfairly bad name by influential “post-modern” anti-democratic, anti-capitalist *Sinisterist activists* in academic and media circles of all democratic nations.

Nationalism exists in all societies and when adequately employed can inspire peoples to remarkable efforts and achievements. Nationalism is negative only when totalitarian, supremacist and aggressive, domestically and internationally, which postwar Japan's is not. The thinking behind *Restoration of Sovereignty Day* (marking the end of the Allied Occupation in April 1952) a new national holiday the Abe administration established in 2013, is fully compatible with the Prime Minister's well-known position that Japan take a balanced approach to national education - expressing remorse for the nation's aggressive expansionism between 1931-45 (for which he repeatedly apologized – *motto* no. 7 and *below*) while instilling in the young, feelings of pride in Japan's broader history. This approach is particularly appropriate in the present political and ideological environment in Japan's neighbourhood and beyond. After all, it is the bullying Beijing Regime particularly under Strongman Xi Jinping, that displays all the evil symptoms of supremacist, racist, ultra-nationalism (Appendix no. 1) that Japan- and the world face today. Japan's young may be better prepared to reject or overcome the local variants of the baseless, poisonous, racist, destructive, *Critical Race Theory*, *Systemic Racism* and their variants.

As confident conservative thinker, prominent politician or national leader- Abe Shinzō expressed frequently his views – declaratively, in order to offer solutions to problems or to affect change. In 1996, he was one of the authors of *The Conservative Revolution: towards an Anti-Liberal [Leftist] Option* [Hoshu kakumei: anchi-riberaru e no sentaku] together with fellow conservatives Kurimoto Shin'ichirō and Etō Seiichi. *Determination to Defend this Nation* [Kono kuni o mamoru ketsu'i] which he co-authored with prominent strategist Okazaki Hisahiko came out in 2004 when he was a stalwart in the nationalistic and popular administration of the charismatic *Lion* Koizumi Jun'ichirō. Mr. Abe published *Towards a Beautiful Nation – My Vision for Japan* [English edition title of Utsukushii kuni e- jishin to hokori moteru Nihon e; the exact translation of the second half

Toward a Confident and Proud Japan- expresses fully Abe patriotism] - a tome containing autobiographical vignettes, political convictions (Abe's mentors are Kishi Nobusuke and Winston Churchill) detailed ideas on domestic and foreign policy and a national revitalization platform. The book became a national bestseller in late 2006 – the start of his (year-long) earlier tenure. The first full year of his unprecedented return to power – 2013 – saw the publication of *Towards a New Nation: the Complete Version of Towards a Beautiful Nation* [Atarashii kuni e: Utshukushii kuni e kanzenban] -as the title suggests an updated edition of the 2006 original. And yet, considering the evolution of Japanese, Indo-Pacific and global international relations since 2012 (the “Abe Decade” motto no. 3) it is **ADSD** - the compact yet seminal foreign policy manifesto which **anchors Abe Shinzō's position as realistic, careful geo-strategic thinker, leader, influential international statesman and major candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize.**

Wanting, unbalanced or downright unfair assessments of Prime Minister Abe's service over the years, by major media outlets and some scholars in Japan, the United States and elsewhere stem mainly from their *Sinisterist* ideological inclinations. Indeed, in stark contrast, the Japanese electorate gave the second Abe administration, **six consecutive victories** - three for the Lower House and three for the Upper House of Parliament – **the most ever for one prime minister.**

Balanced evaluations of the domestic and foreign policies of the Abe era present a different picture. The title of Craig Mark's *The Abe Restoration* – is a term also used by other Japan specialists in reference to the Japanese leader's visionary policies deemed reminiscent of the Meiji Restoration – the revolutionary event that placed Japan on a path of precedent-setting modernization after 1868. Abe security policies are adequately covered in *Japan's Security Renaissance* by Andrew Oros and in Sheila A. Smith's *Japan Rearmed*.

The highly appreciative assessments of Abe Shinzō's career, leadership capacity and policies by commentators Chang Che, Maria Siow, Mihir Sharma , Mireya Solis as well as that of former Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull (*mottos* no. 3-7) written soon after the Japanese leader's resignation are accurate expressions of his immediate legacy, particularly in the much enhanced international stature, regionally and globally he carved for his nation. In the same category of writings belongs a timely collection of scholarly essays which came out in July 2020, just one month before the then unexpected Abe resignation. The compendium suggestively titled *Japan's Leadership in the Liberal International Order: Impact and Policy Opportunities for Partners* coordinated by Professor Yves Tiberghien of the Japan Centre of the University of British Columbia, can be seen as a coincidental “report card” of the Abe era. Among others, major themes treated in the tome range from Abe's transformative FOIP concept of collective security, free maritime trade and cooperation, democratic values, international peace and prosperity (*mottos* no. 1, 2) through the CPTPP [Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership or TPP-11] – the 11-nation Pacific Basin trade pact kept viable by the Abe administration after President Donald Trump's hasty withdrawal, to Japan's potential role in the *Alliance for Multilateralism* sponsored by Germany and France. Overall, Abe initiatives and policies get more than a “passing grade.”

Abe Shinzō's occasional -mostly spontaneous- statements perceived as countering Japan's countless (at least 20) past official apologies (especially those of 1993 and 1995) – to its neighbours- particularly China and South Korea- potentially undercut his own past statements of remorse (in 2006 ,2014 etc.) and those of his predecessors – as well as of two emperors- and even more, the sincere, consistent, morally and materially constructive, fence-mending Japanese policies that have accompanied them. Overall, however, it must be remembered that postwar Japan, a leading bastion of democratic values from freedom of speech (unlike Leftist criticism,

unaffected at all by the Abe administration's State Secret Protection Law designed only to bolster national security in an era of relentless Chinese espionage that Japan is yet to seriously confront) and human rights, to the rule of law, gender equality and genuine pacifism –compares most positively with **all** of its immediate neighbours, first and foremost the dictatorial, aggressively expansionist Beijing. Most importantly, considering the **actual** domestic and foreign policies he relentlessly pursued during his nine-years at the helm and their solid legacy, Abe Shinzō's displays of respect for the memory of Radhabinod Pal – the dissenting judge at the postwar Tokyo trials- and of *Netaji* Subhas Chandra Bose (an ally of wartime Japan) during the visit to India in 2007 are but a combination of political savvy (the two are held in high regard in India) and nostalgic nationalistic emotions equivalent to his love for golf. As for his involvement with the nationalistic *Nippon Kaigi*, [Japan Conference] any fair consideration of its six-point platform would find it *most relevant* to building a Japanese (or any other) nation that is at one and the same time firmly democratic, proud of its heritage and ready to fully contribute to regional and global freedom and peace- **the complete antithesis** to the rabidly ultra-nationalistic, supremacist, imperialist and aggressively warlike Xi Beijing and its emerging, dangerous BIMPAT Axis.

Abe Shinzō's first term as prime minister lasted but one year and was cut short by the same malady that forced him to resign for good, in 2020. That brief tenure - the opposite in length and substance to his second tenure- was marred by episodes such as the disappearance of the digital records of millions of retirees and the failure of efforts to revamp the education system along more patriotic lines. The most meaningful domestic initiative in the vital national security realm was the elevation of the Defense Agency to full ministry status. A major Abe environmental initiative was *Cool Earth 50* – of May 2007 - which aimed at cutting global emissions by 50% by 2050, in a realistic and sustainable global effort to commence in 2013, when the 1997 Kyoto Protocol would expire. *Cool Earth 50* which committed Japan to “launching a national campaign and call for efforts and creative ideas with the motto of reducing greenhouse gases by “1 person, 1day, 1kg.” is still unfolding being adjusted to changing situations. Still, Japan has long been a leader in areas such as hybrid car technology, solar energy and recycling. The 2011 Fukushima earthquake/tsunami disaster had a negative temporary impact on Japan's overall efforts on climate change. In 2021, the interim global goal has become “Cool Earth 30” the top carbon emitters – the US, China, Japan, India- committed to the reduction of carbon emissions by 30% (at 1992 levels) by 2030.

In foreign policy, prior to the very meaningful India visit came the trip to China. Prime Minister Abe made his first official foreign visit to Beijing (rather than Washington) as a friendly (though typically unreciprocated) pragmatic gesture aimed at improving bilateral ties. The need for a “reset” was due to Beijing's nasty propaganda war in 2005 that shot down Japan's campaign for a (highly deserved) permanent seat on the UN Security Council combined with Prime Minister Koizumi's dignified refusal to kowtow to a variety of Beijing *diktats*, particularly on the issue of visits to Yasukuni Shrine (see *below*). On the other hand, the *Arc of Freedom and Prosperity*- the brief multinational strategic alignment devised by the first Abe administration in reaction to already looming Chinese hegemonism may be seen as the philosophical root of ADSD.

Abe Shinzō's comeback as LDP President and Prime Minister in 2012 and subsequent eight-year service were truly exceptional. The domestic and foreign policies as well as the longevity (possible only due to electoral victories) of the second Abe administration constitute benchmarks by which future administrations will be assessed. As mentioned above, the initial make-up and policies of the Suga cabinet indicate continuity across the board, starting with the economic realm. *Suganomics* is *Abenomics* (see *below*) by another name. More impressively, the core foreign and security policies of the second Abe administration epitomized in ADSD have earned Japan a

position of prominence and even *de-facto* [co-] leadership (together with the United States) it has never had in the postwar era. (*mottos* no. 3-6).

The abdication (first in two centuries and also for reasons of health) of (the Heisei) Emperor Akihito gave the second Abe administration the opportunity to welcome the world to the ancient and culturally rich enthronement ceremonies of Emperor Naruhito heralding the *Reiwa* era in April 2019. Fitting for a nationalist administration, the name of the new imperial era was taken from the *Manyōshū* (the iconic collection of Japanese poems from the Nara period, rather than from Chinese Confucian classics as in the past). Suga Yoshihide – then Mr. Abe’s top aide- officially unveiled the name of the new era; the Prime Minister explained the source and meaning of its two ideographs. (*picture below*)



Abenomics (*picture below*) – Abe’s major three-pronged economic, fiscal and social policy agenda , combining monetary Quantitative Easing [QE] , an increased consumption tax (from 8 to 10%), revitalization of the nation’s economic performance (which had been in relative stagnation since 1991)and enhancement of the people’s livelihood , aimed to overcome the concomitant challenges of a very low (sub-replacement) birth rate, the “greying” of society due to exceptional longevity, thus the urgent need to bolster female and foreign participation in the labour force. It was also hoped that automation, along with labour and immigration reforms, would help take the pressure off the overstretched workforce; that financial technology would streamline business, and that a major influx in foreign tourists would re-energize the nation’s economy.

Abenomics 1 & 2



The still evolving *Abenomics* has had mixed success, simply due to its ambitious complexity, as well as the inevitable impact of the international marketplace, though the overall trend has been positive in national economic performance and trade. The Abe administration’s commitment to attracting more women into the workforce has been implemented through subsidized (though as

everywhere else, still insufficient) day-care facilities, educational financial assistance to young families and the implementation of *paternal* parental leave and nationwide campaigns stressing the beneficial impact of female participation in the labour force. At Abe's departure, about 80% of women of employable age were working. Enhancement in the number of women in management positions in all fields is proceeding apace, in the context of Japan's own socio-cultural traditions. The challenging *One Hundred Million Project*, theoretically assuming the nation's population levelling off at 100 Million by mid century - in fact Abenomics 2.0, launched in 2015 focused on social and economic issues: higher birthrates and GDP , respectively; it came very close to reaching the US\$ 6 Trillion just before the Wuhan plague hit. In early November 2020, the Tokyo Stock Exchange index reached its highest level – close to 30,000 points) in 29 years- another Abe economic target.

Immigration as a means of dealing with the twin challenges of shrinking population and above-average longevity, has never been popular in Japan, especially within the LDP. I consider this position fully acceptable when considering Japan's present demographic and cultural/linguistic environment. Abe Shinzō, however, was the initiator of de-facto "backdoor immigration" – allowing legal foreign workers to extend their stay in Japan beyond the initial contractual five years- and potentially leading to hitherto unimaginable and still highly doubtful, naturalization. Mr. Abe's pragmatism and leadership skills were evident in this potentially dramatic change, as was his success in bringing about the increase in retirement age to 70.

In 2020, Japan was scheduled to host (for the second time) the Summer Olympics and Paralympics, another major achievement of the Abe administration. Domestic and international tourism which the government had been encouraging was so successful that the expected increase in foreign tourism (to 40 million) in the Olympic year was seen as a mixed blessing. The Wuhan pandemic, however, dealt a terrible human, economic and financial blow to Japan and the world. The Games were postponed for late July 2021 and held in sparkling but empty arenas.

The Abe administration tackled the New Coronavirus pandemic in a controlled manner - minimal though focused testing as well as local and only one temporary, national, lockdowns. A different approach was that of highly competent Tokyo Governor, Koike Yuriko who opted for stronger testing and quarantine policies. Prime Minister Abe was criticized by those who thought that Japan should emulate South Korea and Taiwan which dealt with the scourge through widespread testing, national lockdowns and strict quarantine regimes. Mr. Abe even earned the nickname *Abenomask* (a humorous/pejorative wordplay on *Abenomics*) for not insisting earlier in the crisis that people wear facial masks as well as for the State distributing only two free face masks per family, (*picture below*). It should be mentioned, however, that facial masks are found in all Japanese households and are routinely used by influenza sufferers.



Japan's longest running cartoon series *Sazae-san* poked fun at the policy of national distribution of only *Two free facial masks per household* (the Japanese caption)

Despite criticism for the alleged facial mask *faux pas*, for wavering on the issue of individual financial support -about US\$1000 per person (as well as for his intervention in the retirement

process of a prominent public prosecutor) and the resulting temporary drop in popular support, the Abe approach ultimately carried the day on the pandemic. A combination of additional elements - from the basic cleanliness of the people, the quality of the national public health system, and especially bowing (rather than hand-shaking or hugging) as a form of social greeting and the well-entrenched use of facial masks resulted in a situation where **Japan, at Abe's departure, had lost around 1500 people to the plague.** Two Japanese pharmaceutical companies – **Takeda** (through its **TAK 888** product) and **Fujifilm** (the producer of **Avigan**) were working on the production of treatment or a vaccine for the pandemic. In the end, however, Japan had to rely on US-German (Pfizer/BionTech- Moderna) and British (Astra-Zeneca) vaccines.

One of the toughest domestic issues the second Abe administration inherited was the endlessly painful aftermath of the Fukushima earthquake/tsunami/nuclear material leak disaster of March 2011. Progress has been gradual for technical reasons, although the government constantly pursued solutions to the lingering and most serious environmental as well as socio-economic and psychological (the most difficult and longest lasting) problems north-eastern Japan has faced since the catastrophe. A series of reports submitted by the Japanese Government to the IAEA [International Atomic Energy Agency] in summer of 2020 indicated significant advancement on a host of interconnected, complicated, dangerous and highly costly issues : decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear energy generating station; completion of the perilous dismantling of the exhaust stacks of two units at the site; the monitoring of the level of seawater contamination in the area adjacent to the nuclear plant; the delicate issue of safety of food and other agricultural products for local consumption and sale to other regions of Japan where refusal to consume vegetables and fruits originating in Fukushima and Miyagi prefectures and wrongly considered a health hazard, continues. At Abe's departure, the still growing financial costs of the 3/11/11 national human tragedy and material disaster had reached US\$ 250 Billions.

The agricultural sector of Japan's economy has traditionally enjoyed preferential treatment by LDP administrations. Japan is only self-sufficient in rice – the eternal main staple of its people- which also carries powerful historical and cultural/religious significance. Therefore, for economic, cultural, ideological and political reasons the agricultural “lobby” – represented by parliamentarians from agricultural constituencies (like Abe Shinzō's Yamaguchi 4th) and groups like the Japan Agricultural Cooperatives [JA] – has been very successful in defending the interests of the numerically small farmer population (4.8% of 127 million people). Given Japan's membership (and leading role) in the CPTPP the Abe administration had to tread a delicate line between reducing tariffs on agricultural imports (such as beef and soybeans from Canada and Australia) and compensating (or somehow subsidizing) Japanese farmers affected by competitive foreign producers from CPTPP nations. Therefore, Abe Shinzō brought agricultural affairs under *Kantei* [the Prime Minister's office] scrutiny and directed the MAFF [Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries] to attempt reforming the influential JA.

II - Abe Shinzō Foreign and Security Policy: ADSD and Beyond



Prime Minister Abe (*picture above* - addressing the 2019 Yokohama TICAD conference - see *below*) had the keenest interest in international relations and was endowed with a special flair for and skill in interacting with foreign leaders. He was the most travelled Japanese leader ever, undertaking no less than 81 official visits in his almost nine years in office, in his indefatigable pursuit of enhancing Japan's security and livelihood, regional and global stature as a leading liberal- democratic power as well as (in the context of limitations by its Peace Constitution) a solid security ally to the US and Asian and Western democracies and a friendly nation to all.

Relevant content, timing and impact converge to qualify Abe Shinzō's *Asia's Democratic Security Diamond* [ADSD] - published (in *Project Syndicate*) on December 27, 2012, the start of the second Abe administration- as the *de-facto* blueprint of Japan's foreign and security policy ever since. Furthermore, ADSD ideas and terminology have gradually been adopted by all **North American, Asian and European democracies and other nations concerned with the growing threat of Chinese imperialism.**

China- the core challenge to the security and stability of the entire Indo-Pacific (approached region by region in ADSD) - whose aggressive expansionism had earlier triggered the *Arc of Democracy and Prosperity* initiative of the first Abe administration- in the subsequent five years had caused an even more perilous security environment beginning in the sprawling South China Sea. Abe sets the stage bluntly:

I must confess that I failed to anticipate that China's naval and territorial expansion would advance at the pace that it has since 2007the South China Sea seems set to become a ***"Lake Beijing"***....a sea deep enough for the [Chinese] Navy to base their nuclear-powered attack submarines, capable of launching missiles with nuclear warheads. Soon, the [Chinese] Navy's newly built aircraft carrier will be a common sight—more than sufficient to scare China's neighbours. *Emphasis/italics added.*

The author is critical of Beijing's "daily exercises in coercion around the Senkaku Islands in the East China Sea...[where] China seeks to establish its jurisdiction in the waters surrounding the islands [as] a fait accompli," which Japan cannot tolerate locally or regionally:

If Japan were to yield, the South China Sea would become even more fortified. Freedom of navigation, vital for trading countries such as Japan and South Korea, would be seriously hindered. The naval assets of the US, in addition to those of Japan, would find it difficult to enter the entire area, though the majority of the two [East and South] China seas is international water.

Abe's insightful and pragmatic solution is a coordinated - regional and global- *defensive* response to aggressive Chinese expansionism. Regionally, "I envisage a strategy whereby **Australia, India, Japan, and the US** [the Quad nations] ...safeguard the maritime commons stretching from the Indian Ocean region to the western Pacific. I am prepared to invest, to the greatest possible extent, Japan's capabilities in this security diamond."

The three DPJ administrations which had preceded (2009-2012) the second Abe mandate are praised for continuing the Indo-Pacific policy line of the first Abe cabinet especially with regard to India : "a resident power in East Asia , with the Andaman and Nicobar Islands sitting at the western end of the Strait of Malacca – through which some 40% of world trade passes – deserves great emphasis. Japan is now engaged in regular bilateral military dialogues with India and has embarked on official trilateral talks that include the US. ..India's government has....[provided] Japan with rare earth minerals...after China chose to use its supplies of rare earth materials as a political weapon. (in 2010 on the Senkaku issue – an episode in which aggressive Beijing imperialism was on full gruesome display: the **Japanese** government purchased the rocky outcroppings from their **Japanese** owners to which Strongman Hu Jintao reacted by jailing Japanese businessmen on false "espionage" accusations and banning exports of rare earth elements to Japan, JK)

Furthermore, as part of the global strategic effort needed to deal with Chinese aggression, the Japanese statesman calls on Britain and France,

to stage a comeback in terms of participating in strengthening Asia's security. The sea-faring democracies in Japan's part of the world would be much better off with their renewed presence. The UK still finds value in the Five Power Defence Arrangements with Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, and New Zealand. I want Japan to join this group, gather annually for talks with its members, and participate with them in small-sized military drills....France's Pacific Fleet in Tahiti operates on a minimal budget but could well punch above its weight. Indeed, the sea-faring democracies in Japan's part of the world would be much better off with their renewed presence.

The vital and mutually beneficial alliance with the US is addressed politically, strategically, historically and in humanitarian terms:

[N]othing is more important for Japan than to reinvest in its alliance with the US. In a period of American strategic rebalancing toward the Asia-Pacific region [the fairly anemic Obama "pivot" JK] the US needs Japan as much as Japan needs the US. Immediately after Japan's earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster in 2011, the US military provided for Japan the largest peacetime humanitarian relief operation ever mounted—powerful evidence that the 60-year bond that the treaty allies have nurtured is real. Deprived of its time-honoured ties with America, Japan could play only a reduced regional and global role.

The concluding section of the piece is a carefully worded balancing act between economic/trade realities – that **link** Japan and China – and Japan's unswerving commitment to fundamental democratic values that **separate** the two nations:

I...admit that Japan's relationship with its biggest neighbour, China, is vital to the [economic] well-being of many Japanese. Yet, to improve Sino-Japanese relations, Japan must first anchor its ties on the other side of the Pacific [the US] ; for, at the end of the day, *Japan's diplomacy must always*

be rooted in democracy, the rule of law, and respect for human rights. These universal values have guided Japan's post-war development...the...region's future prosperity should rest on them as well.

In foreign policy, in stark contrast to “communist,” aggressively imperialist China since 1949 (Appendix no.1) postwar Japan's stature as a leading global economic, technological and cultural power has been bolstered by its position as a firm bastion of genuine pacifism- a policy formally anchored in Article 9 of the 1947 Constitution whose continuous implementation (in the harshly totalitarian and potentially violent political and military environment of northeast Asia) was feasible due to the alliance with the United States. In his brief first tenure during which North Korea emerged as a dire nuclear threat to Japan, Prime Minister Abe launched the “*Japan-US alliance for Asia and the World*” concept aimed at reinforcing the Tokyo-Washington alliance through enhanced Japanese contribution. This position, pioneered by the Koizumi administration saw Japanese civilian participation in the rebuilding of the Samawa area in Iraq as well as naval anti-pirate and anti-Jihadi security patrols in the Indian Ocean.

Always – and particularly during the second Abe administration- having to navigate carefully between the two clashing elements of self-defence capacities and palpable contribution to the security alliance with the US in the sobering context of rapidly growing Chinese aggressiveness, and the utopian Article 9 of its Constitution, Japan, during the Koizumi Jun' ichirō administration (2001-06) and much more in the Abe era, contributed significantly to its own defense. The trend had originated in the 1983 pledge by Prime Minister Nakasone Yasuhiro to turn his nation (at the time as today, facing the world's top totalitarian regimes) into a metaphoric unsinkable aircraft carrier of the democracies. And yet, it was the Nakasone administration that limited defense spending to 1% of GDP. The benchmark was scrapped in 2013, a purely defensive reaction to the growing twin security threats of imperialist China and its reckless lackey, North Korea, both identified as such in the 2010 Defense White Paper of the DPJ. Still, Japan's annual defense budget hovers around US\$50 Billions – Beijing's is at least 7 times as large.

Early in his second mandate Prime Minister Abe revamped the advisory mechanism of national defense through the creation of the US-inspired *National Security Council*, a *Kantei* - affiliated national defense coordination and management body whose first head was the prominent security expert and Abe confidant, Yachi Shōtarō. With the new agency as coordinating core, and based on security and defense policies enunciated in 2013 and 2014, the Abe administration in 2018 issued the *National Defense Program Guidelines for FY 2019 and Beyond* which updated past similar programs (since 1997) and set up policies for the next decade. In addition to increasing traditional military capabilities (such as the Maritime Self-Defense Forces [MSDF] being structured into four flotillas each pivoted by a helicopter carrier and increasing the Marine and F-35 and drone capacity, respectively, of the SDF) the document addressed fast-emerging security fields such as cyber, space and electronic spectrum – all in the underlying context of cooperation and quickly evolving actual interoperability with the United States.

ANPO – (the Japanese acronym for) the Security Treaty and political alliance with the US, rammed through the Japanese Diet [Parliament] by Prime Minister Kishi Nobusuke in 1960, marked its 60th anniversary as a most consequential political and security pact – bilaterally and regionally - in 2020 , under Prime Minister Abe Shinzō- the founder's grandson.

Prime Minister Abe managed very competently the core relationship with the United States under both the “democratic-socialist” Obama and the erratically nationalist Trump administrations.

Abe was the first serving Japanese leader to lay a wreath at the *Arizona Memorial* at Pearl Harbor as well as address both houses of the US Congress. Obama was the first President to pay homage at the Hiroshima *Hibakusha Memorial*. (*pictures below*)

Prime Minister ABE and President OBAMA:
Hiroshima/Pearl Harbor /addressing Congress



Subsequently, Abe Shinzō was the first foreign leader to meet president-elect Donald Trump (*bottom left picture*). The *Reiwa* era started with the symbolic yet meaningful reinforcement of the strong ties with the US- President Donald J. Trump being the first foreign leader to officially meet Emperor Naruhito in May 2019. (*bottom right picture*)



As for the criticism in some quarters of Donald Trump’s “America First” slogan as an expression of isolationism, a close look at the **substance** not the bombastic style (using chaotically spontaneous and contradicting tweets) of his foreign policy indicates that not one GI was withdrawn from Japan (or South Korea). The pressure POTUS 45 applied on America’s allies was purely financial in nature, justified (by the need to ease Washington’s own budgetary burdens) and quite successful; it resulted in significant increases in European defence budgets (toward the benchmark of 2% of GDP) while agreement with Japan on the size of the so-called *Host Nation*

Support [HNS -around US\$2 Billion) for the upkeep of US forces stationed in the country was eventually reached in February 2021. The perennial protest movement against the US bases in Okinawa is mainly driven by the Leftist inclinations of some local politicians. One hopes that there is no subversive involvement by expansionist Beijing (see pp. 23, 24). Japan and the United States are fully aware of the vital importance of their alliance not only for their security but for that of the entire Indo-Pacific region in an age of ever accelerating aggressive Chinese foreign and security policy. Joint patrols in the South China Sea illustrate this defensive cooperation. (Japan Maritime Self-Defense Forces helicopter carrier *Kaga* and US Navy destroyer *Antietam*-picture below.)



Major think-tanks like NBR [National Bureau of Asian Research], CSIS [Center for Strategic and International Studies] FPRI [Foreign Policy Research Institute] and others, share the 2017 assessment of American analyst Kyle Mizokami : “*The United States and Japan are the two closest military powers in the world today. They're even closer than the US and the UK.*”

Japan, a trusted American ally for 60 years, unlike pervasive, ideological, Radical Leftist and Rightist (*The Japan that Can Say “No”* crowd) views of the country as politically and militarily subservient to the US- in fact, has tended to see things America’s way only when its own interests permitted it. Here are examples of its highly autonomous foreign and security policy in the ANPO era : staying out of the Vietnam War; de-facto engaging Beijing much earlier than Washington; siding with the Arab world (against the US, Europe and Israel) during the oil crisis after the Yom Kippur War of 1973; Prime Minister Suzuki Zenkō’s 1981 angry rejection of the reference to Japan’s relations with the US as an *alliance* is in a category all its own for its mendaciousness; being first among the democracies to fully re-normalize relations with Beijing after 1989; supporting only financially (the Kaifu administration’s famous US\$13 Billion cheque) the US-led global coalition against Saddam Hussein in the First Gulf War of 1991. In the Abe era Japan has maintained close relations with Iran (*picture below left*), continuously supported the *Palestinian-Arab states*, sponsored joint Palestinian-Arab/Israeli youth cultural programs but refused to move its embassy in Israel to Jerusalem. Pragmatism, personal affinity, commitment to liberal-democratic ideals and interest in technological cooperation underpinned the friendly relationship

between Abe Shinzō and fellow Israeli conservative leader and former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (*below right* - the shoe was the ...desert!).



The tenor of Abe foreign policy overall was always clear, steady, exuding confidence, creative, dynamic and persistent though pragmatic and flexible when necessary; the man himself was always (outwardly at least) calmly firm, especially when facing Bullying Beijing's political, economic, military and diplomatic aggression. (*pictures below*).



Always smiling, [outwardly] calm and self-respecting, **democratically elected Prime Minister Abe** and Beijing's "communist" **Never-Elected-Ruler-for-Life** (*left*- deliberately insulting the Japanese leader by not displaying national flags and arrogantly looking away - when officially *welcoming* Abe to the Hangzhou G-20 in 2016 and *right*- when Xi was better disposed). **Japan's dilemma**: balancing [too] strong economic ties with **complete** security, political and strategic **incompatibility**. In 2010, **Beijing** and its nuclear "poodle", **Pyongyang**, were designated **Japan's top security threats**.

Japan's security relations with Beijing over the past three decades have mainly been characterized by incessant and aggressive Chinese violations of Japanese naval and air space particularly in the Senkaku area of the East China Sea where bullying Xi Jinping slapped an illegal Air Defense Identification Zone [ADIZ] in 2014. There are hundreds of illegal yearly intrusions by Chinese Coast Guard, fishing and "research" vessels into Japanese territorial waters in the area. And even worse in human terms is China's aggressive, relentless and gargantuan anti-Japanese racist propaganda (see *below*) that increases bilateral and regional tensions. In late 2019 the truculent Beijing Strongman initiated a *cosmetic* change. Coming under growing criticism from the US and even the EU for his irresponsible, ruthlessly self-serving and plain deadly handling of *his* pandemic- Xi ordered a fake "friendliness" campaign (which *excluded* the relentless aggression in the Senkaku area!) in order to gain an invitation for an official visit to Japan. Given Japan's growing exposure to variants of the Wuhan virus whose continuing and disastrous impact includes the 2020 Tokyo Olympics held in 2021 in brand new venues but without spectators the chances of the Beijing Strongman being invited for an official visit to Japan any time soon are extremely slim.

Politically, China has habitually ignored postwar Japan's exemplary behaviour, its genuine apologies for wartime Imperial Army atrocities and the financial and technological assistance it received for four decades- until 2018. Japan was the only major nation to practically subvert the democracies' sanctions against Beijing for the 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre. Prime Minister Kaifu Toshiki visited China in 1991; Emperor Akihito in 1992. Hypocritical China is quick to demand apologies for perceived or real affronts from other nations (Japan in particular) but never faces up (nor is it as it should relentlessly be reminded to face up) to its awful crimes, presently the Wuhan pandemic for which Beijing owes apologies and compensation to its people and the world. Shirking responsibility for the scourge (while blaming other nations for it) fits Beijing's endless history of inhumane behaviour. Below is a list of

Expected CCP Apologies

- To the **Chinese people** for the murder of **2 million** landowners until 1955.
- To the **Chinese people** for at least **40 million dead** in the GLF ;**1 million** dead in the "cultural revolution" and **thousands** dead in Tiananmen Square in 1989.
- To the **Korean people** for the Korean War (for participating in Kim Il-song's invasion of South Korea which caused the death of over **2 million** Koreans).
- To the **Tibetan people** for the invasion and takeover of their country (**hundreds of thousands** dead) and for the **Dalai Lama's exile**.
- To the **Indonesian people** for fomenting a communist plot and civil war (**650.000** dead).
- To the **Cambodian people** for supporting **Pol Pot** (responsible for **2 million dead**).
- To the **Vietnamese people** for the 1979 aggression.

Beijing's ultimate imperialist aim has always been to drive a wedge between Japan and the US in order to weaken and ultimately dismantle the Tokyo-Washington alliance (for 60 years the cornerstone of peace, stability and prosperity in the Indo- Pacific) and turn the region into its own Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere or revive its supremacist Confucian tributary system of premodern times.

The unprecedented February 2020 statement by Shii Kazuo the leader of the Japan Communist Party [JCP] (represented in Parliament since 1946) harshly critical of Beijing's aggressive hegemonism, clearly illustrates the seriousness with which the Japanese nation sees Chinese imperialism:

The Chinese (ruling) party calls itself 'socialist' and 'communist,' but its **great-power chauvinism, hegemonism and violations of human rights** have nothing to do with 'socialism' and are not worthy of the term 'communism.' Emphasis added

The rapidly deteriorating security environment and the accompanying arms race in the Indo-Pacific are **the exclusive responsibility of the recklessly expansionist Xi Beijing Regime** (*table below*) a most disturbing fact which should have militated in favour of popular support for amending or eliminating altogether the radically pacifist Article 9 (so as to give full legal status to the Self-Defense Forces etc.) to which Abe has always been committed.

Tension/Arms Race in Asia: Caused **ONLY** by **Beijing Aggression**



However, rejection of the idea by Leftist activists and by the *Kōmeitō*, the LDP's junior coalition partner for the past decade and most importantly, the genuine pacifism of the Japanese nation, turned the issue of constitutional amendment (which necessitates a two-third majority in Parliament and a simple majority in a national referendum) into a steep uphill political battle, which Prime Minister Abe lost.

Indeed, prior to his departure, Prime Minister Abe voiced his regrets for having come up short of achieving three major goals: amending the Constitution, reaching a peace agreement with Russia ending World War II between the two nations (*see below*) and solving the painful issue of the full accounting of Japanese citizens kidnapped to North Korea by the criminal Pyongyang regime in the past four decades.

The mounting impact of the Wuhan pandemic and Xi's crushing of Hong Kong's political autonomy and relentless political, economic and military aggression against Taiwan (see *below*) have increased popular anti-Beijing sentiment in Japan to such an extent that the Abe administration was forced to postpone indefinitely the Chinese dictator's planned visit. Mr. Suga – as President Biden's first official foreign guest in mid-April 2021, signed a joint communique with his American host bluntly critical of Xi's relentless provocations against democratic Taiwan. Prime Minister Suga continues the Abe policy of offering Japanese companies incentives to move their operations from China either back to Japan or to other low-cost jurisdictions in Asia or elsewhere. The US and India have actually pioneered this trend which, however, will have to be much more intense to be effective. Given the Western (including the Japanese) business world's obscene chase after profits, at least in the immediate future, the success of the vitally needed “decoupling” from China is still in doubt.

Decades-long racist agitation – using socio-political, educational, cultural and even entertainment vehicles- targeting Japan in particular but also the US and other democracies, is an existential need for the Neo-Fascist Beijing Regime (Appendix no. 1) aiming to deflect the anger of the populace toward Japan and the West , and away from **the Regime's terrible crimes which have cost the lives of tens of millions of innocent Chinese over the past 72 years**– they cannot mention on pain of harsh punishment or death. In 1994 , Jiang Zemin made “*anti-Japanese patriotic education*” (*truth and reconciliation Beijing-style..*)part of the brainwashing of young Chinese – *starting in kindergarten!*

Beijing's domestic anti-Japanese (and anti-American) propaganda uses selective or fake history in various forms- from **hundreds of TV series, feature movies** and racist **anti-Japanese theme parks** to ...**public washrooms**.



Chinese women “subdue” a “Japanese invader” in *Fight the Japanese Devils* show in a Beijing tourism park.

Beijing's malodorous anti-Japanese/American propaganda.

Former Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop described the policy in blunt terms: “The Chinese Communist Party uses history selectively and strategically for political effect- it censors any reference to historical events in Tiananmen Square in 1989 yet it is keen to nurse resentment against Japan over events of [seventy-five years] earlier.”

Regime -sponsored “spontaneous” imperialist protests worsen the sordid picture. (picture below).



Turn Japan into a Chinese province (red sign-right) expansionist demonstration.

In February 2020, in a display of monumental arrogance, ignorance, hypocrisy and plain stupidity, Xi Jinping demanded that the Japanese government intervene with its people...to enhance Beijing's popularity!!! October 2020 polls in Japan and 13 other democratic nations indicated that only around 15% of their population liked Xi Beijing. Faced with growing international criticism of the ghastly behaviour of his *diplomats* in June 2021 Xi ordered a global “**Lovable China**” !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! propaganda campaign. (Appendix no. 2)

Farfetched though it sounds, it is not impossible for the utterly ruthless Xi Jinping at some point to (unsuccessfully) play the card of Sino-Japanese “racial brotherhood” in order to undermine Japan’s alliance with “white” America. Historically, in his last public appearance in Kōbe in November 1924, Nationalist leader Sun Yat-sen called on Japan to join **always**(!!) moral and righteous China – *the civilization of Right* against the aggressive Western *civilization of Might*.

Postwar Japan has been at the forefront of FDA [Foreign Development Assistance] and FDI [Foreign Direct Investment]. China benefited much from Japanese investment and technology transfers. Though basking in the glow of its phenomenal economic success and growing international clout since 1964, there were no expansionist ideas in Japan’s behaviour as global economic and technological power and (until 2010) the world’s second largest economy. The most peculiar example of excessive pride stemming from the nation’s explosively growing global status was *Nihonjinron* [Theory on Japaneseness] – popular works authored by sociologists and journalists centred on Japan’s *unique uniqueness*.

In the real world of international relations, The *Fukuda Doctrine* of 1977 (named after Prime Minister Fukuda Takeo [1976-78] and issued in reaction to anti-Japanese demonstrations by Southeast Asians) indicated Japan’s acute sensitivity to its regional image (still affected by the imperial era) and committed the country to democratic principles and fair international behaviour. The monumental contrast between Japan and China (which today in the realm of economics/trade is in a position roughly similar to Japan’s in 1977) on this issue speaks for itself as indicated in the *table below*.

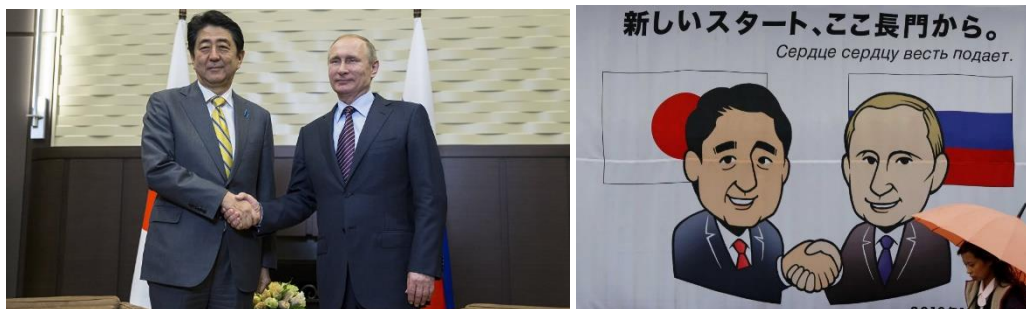
**Japan’s *Democratic/Pacifist* vs.
China’s *Anti-Democratic/Hegemonic* 核心利益
Háshin rí’i [Core Interests] *Lebensraum* Foreign Policy**

Fukuda Doctrine , August 1977	"China's Policies on Asia-Pacific Security Cooperation" Chinese White Paper [1/11/2017]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japan is fully committed to global peace. • Japan has no intention of becoming a military superpower. • Japan has no inclination toward political hegemonism. • Japan is committed to a “heart to heart” relationship with SEA nations. • Japan is committed to cooperating with ASEAN nations economically and culturally. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Small- and medium-sized countries need not and should not take sides among big countries” • “China has contributed to the generally stable relations among major countries in the region by maintaining positive interactions with the United States, Russia, India and improving ties with Japan.” • Reality: Beijing uses Economic/Political/Military Pressure [vs. Japan/India/Vietnam /Philippines] Cooptation/Bribery [vs. CAM/LAOS/Ph]; Peace Offensive/“Co-Hegemony” tactics [vs. US] ;Anti-Democratic front tactics [Russia/Iran/Turkey] ALL elements of aggressive opportunistic LEBENSRAUM [Critical Areas] imperialist foreign policy.

It has become amply clear that Xi Jinping’s BRI [Bridge and Road Initiative] – is but a tool of unbridled economic, political and strategic expansionism, domination (Sri Lanka) and neo-colonialism (Africa, *see below*). In contrast, Japan’s PQI [*Partnership for Qualitative Infrastructure*] together with America’s BUILD [*Better Utilization of Investment Leading to Development*] and *Blue Dot Network*, separately and jointly, offer developing nations transparent, reasonable, non-predatory alternatives to the “golden handcuffs” of imperialist Beijing. Prime Minister Abe in November 2017, expressed Japan’s position on the matter in clear terms: “I am determined to see to it that Japan and the U.S. strongly lead the regional and, eventually, the global economic growth by our cumulative efforts in creating fair and effective economic order in this region.”

Washington and Tokyo-together with Australia- started delivering on their promises (institutionally channeled through the ADB [Asian Development Bank] the JBIC [Japan Bank of International Cooperation] and JICA [Japan International Cooperation Agency]) in development assistance projects in Asia and Africa totalling \$120 Billion over the next five years. Recent announcements mentioned the financing of an undersea cable connecting the tiny island-nation of Palau to existing Pacific undersea communication cables. The idea occasionally bandied about, of Sino-Japanese cooperation in the area does not sound very realistic given the growing political and strategic incompatibility between the two nations and, ultimately, the imperialist and predatory behaviour of Xi Beijing.

Territory is the most contentious issue in Japan's relations with Russia. Mr. Abe *courted* assiduously Russian ruler V.V. Putin hoping to reach an agreement on the return to Japan of the southern section of the Kuril [Chishima in Japanese] archipelago – the isles known in Japan as the Northern Territories (north of Hokkaidō, 5000 sqkm in size), Tokyo's firm precondition for the signing of a peace agreement formally ending WW II between the two nations. In 2020 negotiations continued; however, a breakthrough is unlikely as long as Moscow and Beijing are as (temporarily and superficially) close as they are, and Russia apparently content with being the junior partner in the axis. And yet, given Xi's unbridled, aggressive, ultra-nationalistic foreign policy, positive developments –from Japan's standpoint- may yet occur in Tokyo-Moscow negotiations. Since 2020 nationalist cyber rumblings are strengthening in aggressive China reminding netizens that Russia's Maritime Provinces [Primoriye) used to be Chinese and that **Vladivostok** [*Ruler of the East* in Russian] established in 1850 previously was the Chinese (in fact Manchurian) town of **Haishenwai** [*Sea Cucumber Bay* in Chinese]. The first phone conversation between Prime Minister Suga and President Putin in late September may indicate that , after all, Mr. Abe's preparatory work may have opened the door for a partial agreement since Tokyo and Moscow agreed to continue negotiations on the basis of a 1956 agreement in principle, providing for the return to Japan of the smaller Habomai and Shikotan islets after the signing of a peace treaty , with the fate of the remaining islands- Kunashiri and Etorofu - to be decided later.



Abe and Putin above. "Heart to heart" (the Russian text, right below) Abe-Putin talks in Abe's hometown of Nagato did not end in a "New Start" (Japanese text) on the Northern Territories

In addition to Russia, the Korean peninsula is the one area where Abe Shinzō's foreign policy skills and efforts ended in failure. Regarding the criminal Pyongyang regime - no breakthrough could have occurred due to lack of progress on the cardinal issue of the fate of Japanese citizens kidnapped to North Korea – which the Japanese leader had been dealing with for two decades. Kim Jong-un's provocative missile tests over Japanese territory only exacerbated things. The Pyongyang Kims are a major pawn in Beijing's ruthless strategic (though wishful) thinking: the stronger Kim Jong-un's nuclear weapon capability appears, the more chances South Korea and even Japan (!) would see their American ally as a "paper tiger" and opt for kowtowing to China.

Any impartial observer of the Republic of Korea [ROK]’s relations with Japan and China, respectively, cannot but be puzzled by the bluntly selective and ruthlessly biased manner in which it considers its history of interaction with its two major neighbours. Despite countless formal agreements between Seoul and Tokyo – from normalization in 1965 , through the 1998 friendly treatise between president Kim Dae-jung and then Japanese prime minister Obuchi Keizō, to the *comfort women* (over 50% of whom were Japanese, see *below*) “final and irreversible” Park Geun-hye -Abe Shinzō understanding of 2015 (*below, left picture*) as well as the numerous Japanese apologies for the colonial era and even jointly written Japanese/Korean/Chinese high-school history manuals (*History for a Better Future- right picture below*) and its frequent “solemn” commitments to a “future-oriented” relationship, the ROK- particularly under Leftist administrations (like that of Moon Jae-in who in 2017 abrogated the Park-Abe agreement for ideological reasons) and frequently in de-facto collaboration with China – unsheathes the “history sword” accusing Japan of “insincerity” in its apologies as well as in general policies toward the country. This South Korean approach must be considered the perennial and being deliberate thus *artificial*, most disturbing stumbling block to a congenial, mutually beneficial or at least “businesslike” bilateral relationship, which inevitably has a negative influence on the trilateral US/Japan/ROK strategic relationship, where the latter may be the weakest link.



On the other hand, Seoul is taking a roaringly silent approach to the hundreds of historical cases (by Korean count) of Han- Chinese aggression Korea has endured including **the most recent and worst - the Korean War**, when imperialist Beijing cooperated fully in communist North Korea’s invasion of South Korea. Had Mao Zedong not sent 500,000 “volunteers” to Korea, the war either would not have occurred at all, or if it did, would have ended very quickly and not in a stalemate after three bloody years and the loss of *over two million Korean lives*.

Demands that China apologize for its millenary imperialism and for the 1950-53 aggression that split the Korean nation (and established a regime in the North even more criminal than Mao’s!!!!) or compensate Koreans for their horrendous human and financial losses are never on the ROK’s agenda. Indeed, it is regrettable that 21st century Bullying Xi Beijing imperialism is seen by Leftist South Koreans as a return to the “good old days” of Chinese hegemonism (through the supremacist *tributary system*) as expressed in the **inferiority-oozing** Korean adage of *Sadae Jui* [Honouring Big Brother- China]. The other side of this sad reality is an entrenched **feeling of superiority** more than a few Koreans harbour toward Japan. Seoul’s unfettered Pyongyang-appeasing policy since the late 1990s was launched by anti-American, anti-Japanese Leftist-Nationalist President Kim Dae-jung. “DJ”’s ghastly appeasement of murderous Pyongyang earned him the Nobel Peace Prize for 2000. Kim’s vaunted *Sunshine Policy* blinded Oslo to the

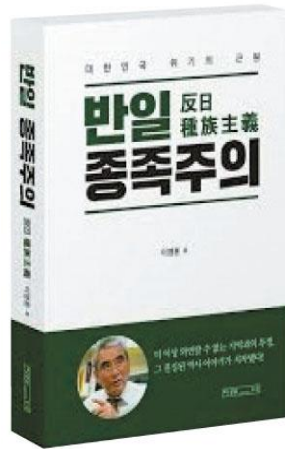
fact that the “iconic” ROK leader’s ballyhooed invitation to a summit by “magnanimous” Kim Jong-il had cost Seoul a cool US\$400 Million (!!!!) bribe. The volatile, explosively anti-American and anti-Japanese, Radical Leftist President Roh Moo-hyun, called for the abrogation of the alliance with the US and offered his services as regional *balancer* (satrap) to Hu Jintao. The move was blocked by the non-Leftist opposition which subsequently captured the presidency. It is worth mentioning that at the popular level, bilateral Japanese-ROK relations are much more congenial, particularly in the cultural/artistic realm. In his first courtesy phone call with President Moon, Prime Minister Suga expressed hope for better bilateral relations, fully aware of and having been directly involved in all his predecessor’s efforts for improved bilateral relations. Prior to his departure, Prime Minister Abe’s assessment was that it might take at least five more years before normalization might occur.

Incidents like violent Leftist anti-Americanism (see *Anti-Americanism in Democratizing South Korea* by David Straub) the Moon administration’s frequent threatened and actual suspension of its intelligence-sharing agreement with Tokyo (due to Japan’s justified opposition to reopen past “final” agreements on issues of the colonial era) and the establishment of a permanent “2+2” - foreign and defense ministers’ - consultation framework between Seoul and Beijing in December 2020- render the ROK the weakest link in the Washington/Tokyo/Seoul triangle. The apparent Seoul-Beijing strategic rapprochement which may turn the ROK into a *Finlandized* (the precedent of Helsinki’s politically subservient position to the Soviet Union until 1991) entity goes back to the presidency of Roh Moo-hyun, whose personal secretary was incumbent Leftist President Moon Jae-in. Completing this disconcerting picture is Roh successor, Conservative President Lee Myung-bak’s sudden rhetorical elevation of relations with Beijing to the level of “strategic partnership” at the end of his administration in reaction to Japan’s declarative statement of ownership over the tiny rock outcroppings in the Sea of Japan (which the Koreans call the East Sea) – Dokdo to Koreans (who garrison the area) – Takeshima to the Japanese. (*map below*).



South Korea’s democracy is seriously undermined by the obsessively anti-Japanese (as well as anti-American though **pro**-Pyongyang) Leftist activism permeating its education system since the late 1980s, which when dealing with Japan in particular is not dissimilar to Beijing’s rabid “anti-Japanese patriotic education.” (Appendix no. 1) It is in this context that a book published in South Korea in July 2019 caused nationwide intellectual and political turmoil. Titled *Anti-Japan Tribalism: The Root of the Japan-Korea Crisis* [Pan-II chongjok chuui in Korean/Han-Nichi shuzokushugi: Nikkan kiki no kongen in Japanese], the tome is a collection of essays authored by six (extremely courageous and, at this writing, still alive...) academics led by Professor Lee Young-hon, an economist who heads the Naksungdae research institute (*picture below on book front cover of*

the Japanese edition below which also features the Korean title). The essays amount to a well-documented, wholesale scathing criticism of South Korean culture, society, traditional religion, literature, education and politics – all allegedly permeated by a deliberate, aggressive, unfair and grossly self-righteous anti-Japanese sentiment underpinned by distorted and falsified history.



The explosive issue of *comfort women* (alleged forcible sexual enslavement of Korean and other Asian and some Western women -over half of whom, however, were Japanese- by the Japanese military during WW II) the core of a recent worldwide Leftist Korean, Korean diaspora and Western Radical-Leftist anti-Japanese campaign is strongly criticized as fraudulent in nature. The Sinisterist academic establishment dominating Japan/Korea research in Korean, Western - especially American- and Japanese universities cannot be expected to change course no matter how convincing the evidence adduced in the book. A *de-facto* end to the global anti-Japanese *comfort women* -centred campaign would be a useful first step toward a ***smoother functioning of the US-Japan-ROK alliance whose exclusive focus in the foreseeable future must be Beijing imperialism.*** The Japanese edition of the book, as expected, is a bestseller; in time it may yet vindicate Abe Shinzō's position ,doubting the accuracy of the “mainstream” Leftist academic and media position on the episode (for which he was pilloried by them as well as by Seoul and Beijing). Abe did sign a “final” agreement on the issue – which included a written apology and a compensation clause in 2015, which the Moon administration threw out. South Korean Leftist anti-Japanese activism has included wholesale chastisement of nationalist totalitarian president Park Chung-hee – despite his vital role in the ROK's spectacular industrialization - both for having served in the Japanese Army in WW II (as did hundreds of thousands of other Koreans) as well as for normalizing and expanding relations with Japan after 1965. (see my *History and politics in Japan's relations with Northeast Asia and India* online).

In stark contrast with the frequently tense relationship between Japan and South Korea- since 2017 and habitually during Leftist-nationalist South Korean administrations- Tokyo -Taipei relations are very constructive although Taiwan – like Korea- was a colony of Japan for 50 years until 1945. The counterpart of the Dokdo/Takeshima territorial spat between South Korea and Japan is the dispute among Japan (which has physical control), Taiwan as well as China over the Senkaku Tiaoyūtai/Diaoyūtai (Taiwanese and Chinese names , respectively) islets.

Unlike China's aggressively expansionist approach in the Senkaku area, the Abe and Ma Ying-jeou administrations in 2015 reached a mutually beneficial compromise on fishing and natural resources in the perimeter with Taiwan shelving the territorial issue. Overall, the main element accounting for the glaring discrepancy in the tenor of Japan's relations with South Korea and

Taiwan, respectively, is the latter nation's balanced approach to the colonial era – recognizing major administrative, educational and technological reforms implemented by Japan (for its original benefit, but which served well *postwar* Taiwan and Korea). As in the case of Korea, hundreds of thousands of Taiwanese fought and some died for Japan in the Pacific War. Although only an episode of symbolic nature, it is worth mentioning that the Office of the President of Taiwan is located in the building of the former headquarters of the Japanese colonial governor general; its counterpart in Seoul was razed to the ground long ago.

The LDP and Abe Shinzō have always had friendly relations with Taiwan. The second Abe administration, in addition to strong trade relations, instituted the meaningful change in the formal name of Taiwan's representative office in Tokyo, from Taipei to *Taiwan*. Defense Minister Kishi Nobuo (Abe Shinzō's younger brother) has been a staunch supporter of Taiwanese independence. In the face of Xi Jinping's relentless bellicose statements and military provocations against Taiwan, in July 2021 Japanese Deputy Prime Minister Asō Tarō stated that Japan considers any attack on Taiwan as endangering his nation's survival- a helpful position fully compatible with the rapidly expanding Taiwan-friendly geo-strategic positions of the US. Japan supports and reinforces the groundswell of international goodwill Taiwan has earned due to its very successful handling of the Wuhan Coronavirus (see my *Taiwan: Brief Jottings on an Exemplary and Thriving Democracy* on this website). This compares most favourably with Xi Jinping's crass mishandling of the crisis, including the inhumane treatment of Taiwan by *His* WHO. On the Taiwanese side, the most tireless promoter of strong relations with Japan was the late president Lee Teng-hui – the iconic “father of Taiwanese democracy.” (*pictures below*)



Prime Minister Abe Shinzō and Dr. Tsai Ing-wen, 2015.



Former Taiwanese President Lee Teng-hui & MP Kishi Nobuo and wife, 2018.

Abe Shinzō is on record as stating that Japan's future relations with India have the potential to become as close as those with the United States. His first official visit to India in August 2007 was wide-ranging and successful. In an address to the *Lok Sabha* [the Lower House of the Parliament] he made emotional references to Swami Vivekananda and Okakura Kakuzō –prominent Indian and Japanese pan-Asianist thinkers, respectively. He also called on India to partake in his administration's *Arc of Freedom and Prosperity* initiative, the then marquee foreign policy concept designed to counterbalance already looming Chinese aggression. Abe pledged support for the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor [DMIC] the core of India's future industrial development. Tokyo-Delhi economic ties expanded exponentially during the second Abe administration. The two nations' Economic Partnership Agreement of 2011 was elevated to a Global Strategic Partnership.

The personal affinity between Mr. Abe and his conservative BJP [Bharathya Janata Party] counterpart Narendra Modi was strong. There were no less than 14 Abe-Modi summit meetings. Since 2017 Japan is a full participant in the development of India's northeast, through the bilateral *Act East Forum*, designed to counterbalance Xi's BRI. (Appendix no. 1) Security cooperation is growing constantly both bilaterally as well as in the broader contexts of the Malabar and RimPac naval exercises, and especially the pivotal Quad framework and potentially more nations- all equally concerned with growing Chinese imperialism. Just before leaving office Mr. Abe signed an expanded military supply and services agreement with India. Potential Japanese investment in the strategically important Andaman and Nicobar archipelagos (mentioned in ADSD) are under consideration. Beijing's relentless expansionism practically guarantees the widening of Japan-India multilateral cooperation far into the future. However, a formal *entente* between the two powers is not feasible even in the face of growing Chinese imperialism, given India's aversion to formal regional alliances, except those it can dominate, like the SAARC [South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation].



Leaders and friends: Prime Ministers Abe and Modi

Japan's relations with Australia during the second Abe administration saw rapid enhancement in the realms of security and defense naturally motivated by the "rise" of Chinese imperialism. The one significant disappointment for Japan was Canberra's decision to grant to France the contract for the rebuilding of Australia's submarine fleet. Nonetheless, Tokyo-Canberra overall strategic cooperation saw major expansion during the administration of Malcolm Turnbull (with Abe Shinzō below).



The ASD-inspired FOIP-focused Abe-Turnbull understanding of 2018, set the stage for the consequential *Reciprocal Access Agreement* (RAA) of late 2020, elevating bilateral relations to a full strategic level and formalized by Suga Yoshihide and Scott Morrison. The pact provides for mutual visits and joint personnel training of the two nations' armed forces. The qualitative nature of the agreement was evident in that it was Japan's first since the Status of Forces Agreement signed with the United States in 1960. Indicative of the rapid progress in bilateral relations is the fact that Prime Minister Morrison was the first national leader to visit Japan after Prime Minister Suga came to power. Prime Minister Morrison in a tweet on August 28, 2020 echoed fully his predecessor Malcolm Turnbull's feelings (*motto* no. 7) about the retiring Japanese leader: "*Australia and Japan have never been closer, and this is significantly due to the humility and sincerity Shinzo Abe has displayed. I'll never forget laying a wreath side by side with him at the Darwin Cenotaph as we remembered those killed in the Japanese bombing raids on Darwin.*" Overall, having Washington as top ally of both nations, gives more weight to Tokyo- Canberra relations.

ASEAN [the Association of South East Asian Nations] - the leading regional organization in the Indo- Pacific is an area of multilateral interest – economic, political and security - for Japan. Formally, the 2005 *Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement* governs the relationship between Japan and the ten nations of ASEAN. In the past decade, Beijing has placed its imperialist boot in ASEAN's door by practically "buying" Cambodia and Laos which, given the group's pattern of decision-making by unanimity, act as its proxies and prevent any decisions undesirable to China. Xi Jinping has used the same tactic vis-à-vis the EU where Greece and Portugal are his "Trojan horses." Prime Minister Abe cemented a strong and multilateral relationship with ASEAN (*picture below*). At the bilateral level Vietnam (one of the millenary victims of Chinese imperialism) with which military relations have expanded particularly rapidly as well as Indonesia, Thailand, Myanmar (before the military coup) and, occasionally the Philippines. Beijing's mendacious "Nine-dash" territorial grab (Appendix no. 1) aimed at turning the South China Sea, in Mr. Abe's words, into a "*Lake Beijing*" of sorts, has also resulted in growing military and security cooperation among the Quad nations. Therefore, it is indicative that Vietnam was the first nation Prime Minister Suga chose for his first overseas official visit followed by Indonesia. Agreements were announced of (constitutionally) precedent-setting sales of Japanese patrol ships, maritime surveillance planes and radar and other equipment to Vietnam and Indonesia. The Abe administration also established meaningful defense ties with the Philippines which started with the transfer of ten Japanese patrol boats to Manila. There is little doubt that Beijing's aggressive moves throughout the South China Sea constitute a strong incentive for the future multilateral security ties among Japan, Vietnam, Indonesia the Philippines and even Malaysia whose former leader, Mahathir bin Mohamad – for many years an admirer of Japan - lashed out at "*Chinese neo-imperialism.*"



The official launching in November 2020, of the 15 Asian nations-strong [ASEAN-10 plus Japan, China, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand] *Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership* [RCEP] which accounts for a third of global GDP and represents one third of the world's population constitutes a potentially credible challenge to the Japan-centred CPTPP. Things may become even more complicated should Beijing attempt to join the CPTPP as Strongman Xi has indicated. American return to the pact under the Biden administration and Indian affiliation with both bodies are of particular relevance in this context. It remains to be seen how the RCEP will accommodate both Beijing and Tokyo and particularly how Japan will “juggle” its prominent positions in both groups.

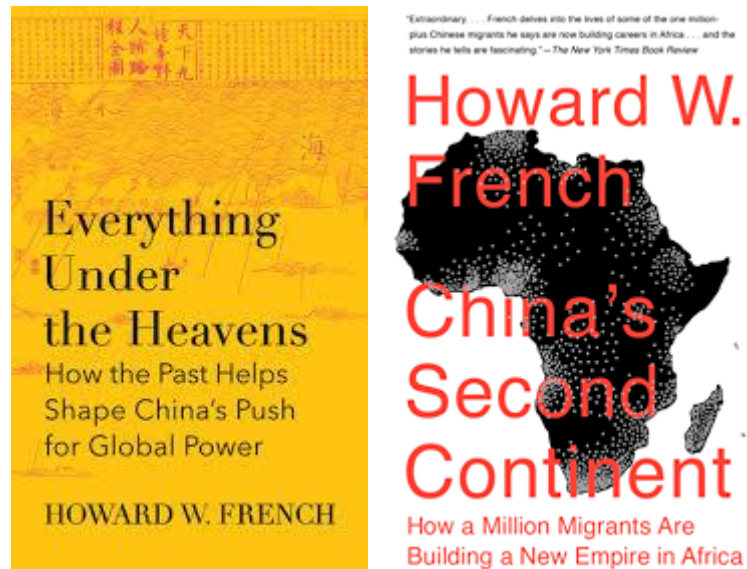
The pivot of Japan's Africa policy has been the *Tokyo International Conference on African Development* [TICAD] framework founded in 1993. TICAD (7th triennial conference in 2019, hosted by the Abe administration, *picture below*) is an example of constructive and fair multilateralism which, in cooperation with other global international bodies – the UN- and African [AAU – the Association of African Unity] – aims to promote the development of African nations. It was at the 6th triennial TICAD conference in 2016 that Abe Shinzō formally launched the FOIP concept. Furthermore, the *Abe Initiative* is a particularly useful program for the training of senior African executives which graduated over 1000 trainees by 2020.



Japanese involvement in major African infrastructure and economic modernization projects focuses on relatively stable states like Ghana (with which Japan has had a particularly close relationship based on the beneficial work there in the early 20th century, of bacteriologist Noguchi Hideyo, who is buried in Accra) and development of the Sahel region. Africa's political culture – characterized by tribalism, totalitarianism and the notorious corruption of most of its leaders, has naturally given totalitarian, corrupt and corrupting China an insurmountable advantage. Africa's political elites – and their diaspora “brothers” – unhesitatingly tolerate Chinese imperialism and colonialism while hypocritically bashing the long-defunct Western one using shakedown tactics aimed at embarrassing the democracies for financial gain. Beijing, of course, is unmatched in its capacity to financially “oil” into acquiescence global African sensitivities. Immoral African rulers accept *hundreds of thousands of Chinese settlers* as well as Beijing development projects which are carried out by Chinese companies using Chinese workers for China's economic, political and strategic benefit. No questions in Africa or in the African diaspora about Chinese “privilege,”

employment “diversity” or “equality.” Growing Black supremacists-led anti-White racism in the US, Canada and Europe, epitomized in the fraudulent “Systemic Racism” accusations stemming from the anti-White racist *Critical Race Theory* and even more from Kimberlè Crenshaw’s dangerous race war-mongering *Intersectionality* theory since George Perry Floyd’s ghastly killing in May 2020, translate into toleration of monumental Chinese abuse of Africans.

Investigative journalist Howard French has thoroughly documented two major and linked topics: historic Chinese [Confucian] supremacism and racism , and rampant African corruption and Chinese expansionism/colonialism in Africa (*books below*), expressed in **the arrival of about one million Chinese settlers – veritable 21st century Chinese colonialism!**



French’s timely assessment *cum* alert echoes (*upper left book*) most ominously a speech delivered in November 1959, in Parliament by independent India’s first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. The Indian leader described Mao’s China as the communist version of its eternal, supremacist, imperialist tradition (“revived” most aggressively in the 21st century by fake “communist” – in fact Confucian- Fascist Xi Jinping- see Appendix no. 1):

In regard to China ..we have to deal with ..a national trait which has existed for a considerable time past.. They called themselves the Middle Kingdom and it seemed natural to them that other countries should pay tribute to them. Their thinking is that the rest of the world occupies a lower grade...It has been very difficult for me to explain to them that our structure of government ...is democratic , that we have civil liberties which include the right to misbehave and even to say highly objectionable things , that there are parties here which function in their own way and that the Government here cannot control them and cannot inhibit their actions unless they go beyond the pale of the law. The Chinese Government cannot understand it.

Japan, the US and the EU – genuine democracies, for historical, political and moral reasons cannot very easily compete against the Beijing-Africa totalitarian anti-democratic “axis.” Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus – the head of the corrupt WHO embodies independent Africa’s “Beijing-man.” In 2017 Xi Jinping facilitated Tedros’ election to the job; since then, the failed Ethiopian health minister and close pal of African rulers like Zimbabwe’s late Robert Mugabe has been Xi Jinping’s loyal operative as amply proven in the 2019 pandemic crisis, on which he has not only shielded the Chinese Strongman from international criticism but even shamelessly praised his

policy! (picture below), while inhumanely and unprofessionally (through his Canadian underling Bruce Aylward) in fact pursuing Beijing's imperialist policy on Taiwan.



Japan's relations with the EU was the subject of a detailed speech Abe Shinzō gave in Brussels, on September 27, 2019 - the first year of the Japan-EU EPA [Economic Partnership Agreement] – the largest free-trade agreement in the world. Titled “Japan and the EU: the strong and steady pillars supporting many bridges,” its leitmotif was multilateral connectivity - from transportation and telecommunications to cyberspace and the outer space. Abe set the stage in ADSD-inspired terminology: “[I]n order to make the connectivity linking Japan and Europe...rock-solid, the Indo-Pacific, the sea route that leads to the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, must be free and open.” He spelled out the importance of the two intertwined engines that drive the Japan-EU relationship: the EPA that represents 30% of world GDP and 40% of world trade and the SPA [Strategic Partnership Agreement] which focuses on the fundamental values the two sides share (but China challenges) - democracy, the rule of law, human rights and freedoms – all featured in ADSD. Beyond the continental dimension, the Prime Minister mentioned regional and even small individual targets of Japanese investment, trade as well as scientific and intellectual exchange from the “Western Balkans Cooperation Initiative” to the new entity of Kosovo, respectively. Furthermore, Mr. Abe announced a new initiative that would benefit African development: the top officials of ten priority states per year over the next three years – thirty states in all - would receive training in sovereign debt and risk management – a component of the broader assistance commitment the Japanese leader had made at the 2016 TICAD conference. In summer of 2021, the endlessly “creative” Beijing Despot proposed the formation of a “Quad” of his own – **China, Africa, Germany and France!!!** The two European powers would serve as fig-leaves for his domination of Africa while cooperating with him in marginalizing the United States in both Africa and Europe.

Brexit made a separate, bilateral trade pact between Japan and Britain an immediate priority. It was successfully negotiated by the Abe administration and signed by Prime Minister Suga in October 2020. While still in office, Prime Minister Abe expressed his enthusiastic support for Global Britain 's expected application for membership in the CPTPP. Based on bilateral defense cooperation framework already in existence, and as one more example of ADSD ideas becoming reality, the Japanese leader strongly welcomed the Johnson administration's decision to display physical presence in “Lake Beijing.” Indeed, in Spring 2021 Downing Street announced that a naval taskforce led by the new Queen Elizabeth aircraft carrier would make courtesy visits in India and Singapore, then patrol the South China Sea. London's commitment was further enhanced in

late July when it revealed plans to permanently station two warships in the South China Sea perimeter.

Prime Minister Abe visited five Latin American nations in 2014 hoping for a new beginning in relations with the area, especially Brazil, Peru, Argentina and Chile. Relations with the first two nations are traditionally closer, among other reasons, due to economic compatibility and the prominent contribution of Japanese immigrants to their economic, socio-cultural and political lives. FDI is the top field of Japanese involvement in the area where all major *sōgō sōsha* – from Mitsui and Mitsubishi to Itō Chū - have been active for many decades though recently in an environment of stiff competition from China which has become the top trade partner to most countries in the region. Japanese-Brazilian cooperation is also evident in a very special context. The two nations are members of the Group of Four (together with India and Germany) aiming at becoming permanent members of the UN Security Council. The Abe administration's efforts on the file was not successful given the long-standing obstructionist positions of Beijing. On the 60th anniversary of the end of WW II in 2005 - then strongman Hu Jintao launched an aggressive propaganda campaign, using familiar CCP/Soviet -style selective and fake history tricks in order to thwart Japan's drive for a permanent seat on the UN Security Council [UNSC]. Beijing's plot succeeded, though it should be unequivocally clear that *if postwar constructive and meaningful contribution to the human family is – as it should be- the decisive criterion for a permanent UNSC seat, Japan is infinitely more deserving of the position than the aggressive, inhumane, murderous, totalitarian, imperialist, Neo-Fascist Beijing Regime.*

Japan's most recent move on the issue came in September 2020 in a speech by Foreign Minister Motegi Toshimitsu who called for the increase in the number of both permanent and temporary UNSC member-nations as part of the needed reorganization of the global body.

Abe Shinzō's outstanding contribution to the advancement and preservation of democratic values, peace, prosperity and international understanding ,regionally and globally – for which he should be conferred the Nobel Peace Prize- is a major asset bolstering Japan's candidacy for the coveted UNSC permanent membership.

III- Canada-Japan Relations: Turning Great Potential into Reality

Canada and Japan have similar – constitutional monarchical- parliamentary political systems, and share all democratic socio-political values: freedom of expression, of the press and of religion, human rights, the rule of law and gender equality; their market economies are (potentially) highly complementary as already are their cultures (Anne of Green Gables, aurora borealis tourism/anime/manga etc.)

The two democracies are prominent members of the OECD, APEC, G-7, G-20 as well as of the highly promising CPTPP in which they are the largest economies. It was Abe Shinzō's assiduous efforts -together with Canada's- that saved the pact after President Trump's withdrawal. The absence of the United States – the most important ally of both Canada and Japan and the ultimate guarantor of their security and economic prosperity since WW II – should be seen as only a temporary setback. Given its strategic, political as well as economic/trade benefits, the Biden administration has signalled its intention to rejoin the grouping.

The Canada-Japan relationship is metaphorically reminiscent of an impressive building whose construction is being inexplicably stalled after the foundation is in place.

In the First World War, Japan and (the then Dominion of) Canada were allies and the Japanese navy secured Canada's west coast. A century later, their relationship has reached a point where present political and security circumstances – first and foremost Chinese imperialism- warrant serious consideration of a much more meaningful relationship, leading to a formal alignment aimed at maintaining and advancing democracy, security and peace in the Indo-Pacific and beyond.

Ninety-three years after establishing diplomatic ties, bilateral relations between Canada and Japan are friendly and solid but must be dramatically enhanced so that they – together with the US, South Korea (with which Canada has a Free Trade Agreement, and provided the pro-China tilt of its Leftist administrations can be restrained), Australia, India, Taiwan – as well as most ASEAN members, the EU and especially the UK –can contribute fully to the defence and promotion of peace, prosperity and democracy, in the face of Chinese aggression and in support of FOIP . In 2021, France coordinated a *Quad plus* naval exercise in the Gulf of Bengal ; a French nuclear submarine has been patrolling in the South China Sea; a German frigate is scheduled to sail through the South China Sea later in the year. Even more consequential is the Johnson administration's dispatch of a naval taskforce to the area mentioned earlier and Britain's expected application for CPTPP membership.

While trying to strike a balance between needs and costs , especially since the economic crisis of the 1990s, and forced by the deteriorating security environment caused by Beijing and Pyongyang, pacifist Japan has built a solid, defensive conventional military capability, whose value is proven daily when countering , by itself or in cooperation with allied American forces (based on the 2014 Collective Self-Defence agreement) Beijing's relentless imperialist forays into the East China Sea and South China Sea perimeters.

The high quality of Japan's Self-Defence Forces [SDF] in human resources, training and equipment is matched on the Canadian side only by the first two parameters. A RCN [Royal Canadian Navy] fleet of modern frigates is in the early stages of construction; the RCN's second-hand submarines purchased from Britain two decades ago are safe only on land, while the RCAF [Royal Canadian Air Force] is still awaiting a government decision on replacing the antiquated CF-18s. In other words, Canada is only capable of occasionally "showing the flag" - through participation in anti-submarine warfare exercises in the South China Sea in early 2021 or HMCS *Winnipeg* joining the NEON international campaign of enforcing sanctions on North Korea or sailing through the Taiwan Straits (*picture below*).



Compare that with Japan's advanced, domestically designed and produced reconnaissance planes, tanks, submarines, *Izumo*-class dual-use (helicopter and jetfighter) light carriers and

squadrons of *Lockheed F-35* stealth jets of its Air Self- Defence Forces (*pictures below*) as well as the advanced, domestically designed and produced F-3 fighter of the future.



The 2010 *Canada-Japan Joint Declaration on Political, Peace and Security Cooperation* is the adequate *take-off* platform for a deeper bilateral partnership on regional and global security issues. The document's practical core is the Political, Peace and Security Subcabinet "2+2" Dialogue, which commits the nations to periodic consultations on foreign affairs and defence issues at the deputy- minister level and includes the Symposium on Peace and Security Cooperation which brings together researchers and policy-makers to consider important regional security and bilateral cooperation topics. In April 2018, Canada and Japan signed the Acquisition and Cross-Servicing Agreement, which further enhances cooperation between their militaries.

Prime Minister Abe visited Canada in April 2019 for consultations with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on the agenda of the G-20 gathering in Osaka in June of that year. The visit came at what must be the most auspicious time in Canada-Japan relations since the establishment of formal diplomatic ties. Indeed, there has never been a more promising convergence of mutually beneficial multilateral circumstances and complementary national interests, with the potential to expand bilateral ties most significantly in the immediate future.

The two leaders, in addition to substantive talks, shared celebratory moments mixing the 90th anniversary of Canadian- Japanese diplomatic relations, with sport. They exchanged rugby jerseys with the identical number "90" (*picture below*) and the Japanese dignitary expressed his wish that the two nations meet in the final of the Rugby World Cup which Japan was to host in September. Canada and Japan did not meet in the rugby final; yet, should the two nations aim at multilateral and mutually beneficial cooperation, major results can be expected.



Even before the New Coronavirus pandemic, perilous developments in Canada-China relations - particularly the festering Meng Wanzhou extradition crisis - when Bullying Beijing resorted to **hostage-taking** (which, together with **kidnapping**, are routine political tools of the Regime) of two innocent Canadians – Michael Kovrig and Michael Spavor, in order to force Ottawa to ape Xi's lawless system and illegally interfere with the judiciary and free the **seven passports holding** "communist princess." This most serious incident, together with Beijing's scandalously manipulative behaviour regarding the Wuhan pandemic, should at last, make Ottawa recognize that a comprehensive – economic, political, security - relationship with Japan- a highly developed, friendly, reliable, fellow democracy – whose citizens (businessmen fraudulently accused of espionage) have also been victims of *Hostage-Taking Beijing* - is vastly preferable to being a meek member of an emerging stable of states kowtowing to Despot-for-Life Xi Jinping's dictatorial and racist (for putting millions of Tibetans and Uighurs in *Sinification* camps, forcing them to accept Han- Chinese agents as "relatives" in their families and for continuing the forcible harvesting and selling of organs of Falun Gong practitioners) , domestically and expansionist internationally 21st century version of the ancient Confucian "tributary"- these days Confucian-Fascist - system. (Appendix no. 1).

The Wuhan pandemic crisis became another opportunity for Canadian-Japanese cooperation in finding a treatment for, or a vaccine against the plague. Japan's *Mitsubishi-Tanabe Pharmaceutical Co.* already has a presence in Canada through a joint-venture with Montreal's *Medicago* company. The project is highly original in that the vaccine – now in second-stage trials - is produced by using live plants that mimic the Coronavirus (as Virus-like-Particles or VLPs) but are not infectious and only boost the immune systems of patients. Furthermore, the Japanese multinational Fujifilm's *Avigan* anti-viral drug was being tested in Canada. The two nations, however, were temporarily unsuccessful in producing in timely fashion either a treatment or a vaccine for the New Coronavirus and had to rely on American and European products.

Japan has consistently shown a positive inclination toward much enhanced relations with Canada. On the Canadian side, however, positive thinking toward a strategic partnership is yet to materialize, in the past six years due to Prime Minister Trudeau's and his Liberal Party's regrettable affinity for totalitarian criminal regimes- smaller like Castroite Cuba, and especially the biggest of them all- China, stemming from a short- sighted and misplaced admiration for the perceived efficiency of the Beijing Regime and its "inevitable" dominant global role in the future. Historically, the late Maurice Strong – a globe-trotting, well-connected, clever and somewhat shady international operator who spent his last years in Beijing - and former Prime Minister Jean Chrétien (the "architect" of the China-focused *Team Canada* concept) have been the most important conduits of Chinese influence in the Liberal Party.

New examples of misguided China policies of the Canadian government appear all the time. Health Minister Patty Hajdu has constantly praised Beijing's "responsible and open" New Coronavirus approach. Worse yet, the Trudeau government- as the devastating investigative reporting of Global News TV's Sam Cooper revealed in July 2020 – allowed Beijing's diplomatic offices, together with a number of Chinese community groups in Canada heavily penetrated by the CCP's United Front Work Department (the espionage and subversion arm of the Party which preys on the Chinese diaspora- Appendix no. 1), to participate in Beijing's ghastly plot of delaying to inform the world about the real scale of the 2019 pandemic as mentioned earlier, until the Regime cornered the global market in basic medical supplies , for financial and political gain! It is this appalling inclination to appease evil that underpinned Ottawa's dogged pursuit of a free trade agreement and strategic partnership [!!!!!!] with aggressive, imperialist, supremacist Beijing.

Positive, unexpected developments have taken place recently. First, on September 18th, 2020, Ottawa announced its highly appropriate decision (in light of Beijing's overall behaviour) to discontinue FTA negotiations. This could open the way for an FTA and a further enhanced relationship overall with Japan. Second, and equally promising, the first courtesy phone conversation between Prime Minister Suga and Prime Minister Trudeau, in late September, indicated that the two leaders were ready in principle, to proceed toward closer bilateral relations based on the FOIP concept. Such a move, if implemented would have a transformative impact. However, one can only take a very cautious approach to this promising *potential* change on the Canadian side. This is particularly so when considering the very detailed (advisory) position paper of September 2020 by Global [in fact Foreign] Affairs Canada's *Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada* [APFC] Vice-President for Research Jeffrey Reeves. The title- "*Canada and the Indo-Pacific: 'diverse' and 'inclusive' not 'free' and 'open'*" (emphasis added) - is the clear and condensed message of the very long, in the main *Sinisterist* essay. It constitutes a disconcerting example of intellectual, political and strategic *appeasement* as demonstrated in my *Dire History Repeated* thesis (Appendix no.1) - aggressive German Fascism of 80 years ago, being reincarnated in the form of the even more *globally* threatening Neo -Fascist Xi Beijing regime of today Reeves wants Canada to accommodate. Indeed, as the tried and true maxim reminds us, those who forget history tend to repeat it. Winston Churchill's definition of the appeaser of his time (as the one who kowtows to the crocodile hoping to be eaten last) fits ours, too. The Reeves proposition is the 2020 metaphorical digital version of the Munich agreement sheet fluttering in the wind in Neville Chamberlain's hand who then uttered the mortally wrong "Peace for our time," on September 30th, 1938. Default supporters of the Reeves thesis most probably include the China hands at the University of British Columbia – especially Paul Evans and Wenran Jiang- the China Institute and related outfits in Alberta (whose activities are about to be drastically curtailed in provincial retaliation to Beijing's relentless and multilateral aggression against Canada) and particularly Senator Yuen Pau Wu. (p.57)

At the dawn of the third decade of the 21st century, the fundamental incentive for dramatically expanding multilateral - security, political, economic and overall strategic - cooperation among Indo-Pacific nations is the existential threat posed by the imperialist Xi Beijing regime and its allies (Appendix no. 1). As mentioned earlier, **the nations of the world are strangely unaware of the fact that historically, the two most successful imperialist and colonial powers have been China and Russia**. Over the past 72 years the top targets of Beijing imperialism have been – in chronological order- Xinjiang, Tibet, the Korean peninsula, Vietnam, India, the Soviet Union, Japan (in the Senkaku perimeter of the East China Sea) as well as Taiwan and the nations bordering the South China Sea; in 2021 the latter four are the most potentially explosive areas. In 2019, the Parliament of Canada declared China the nation's top security challenge. Japan preceded Canada by a decade. Therefore, in the immediate future, the existential Beijing threat must bring Canada and Japan as well as other fellow democracies like South Korea and Taiwan much closer together. Japan should be invited to formally join the *Five Eyes* intelligence-sharing security framework with which it now has informal arrangements. Former defense minister Kōno Tarō in late October 2020 publicly requested the affiliation. Ottawa should consider the very delicate task of mediating between Tokyo and Seoul by convincing the latter to really pursue *its* frequently pledged but never adhered to, "future-oriented" relationship, since cooperating with Beijing against Japan and the US, only benefits Chinese expansionism. After all, Beijing is the direst threat not only to Ottawa, Tokyo and Seoul, but to all nations outside the emerging **BIMPAT Axis**. .



Therefore, since the CCP in addition to political hegemonism, territorial expansionism and military adventurism as well as economic mercantilism, is bent on undermining the political and socio-economic foundations of all democracies – through intense disinformation and propaganda, hacking, election interference, aggressive cyber and human espionage, illegal drug trafficking on a gargantuan scale (see *books above* – especially Sam Cooper’s recent *Wilful Blindness*) etc.,- it is high time for Canada and Japan – **both** targets of Xi Beijing’s political, human, economic, trade and military aggression, to significantly enhance their existing cooperation toward what Ishikane Kimihiro, the then Japanese ambassador to Canada – reflecting Abe foreign policy principles –in 2019, aptly called a ***Strategic Partnership for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific***.

Indeed, in the most challenging pandemic-ridden domestic and international circumstances in which the two nations find themselves the year 2021 – the 76th anniversary of the end of WW II - can become the auspicious opportunity for a multilateral expansion of Canada-Japan relations. The dark days of WW II – epitomized in the brutal mistreatment of Canadian prisoners of war by Imperial Japan, and the internment of Japanese- Canadians in Canada – should always be remembered but turned into educational resources leading to ever stronger ties. **The two nations are entitled to take pride in the fact that they were enemies for less than five of the past one hundred years. There is no stronger incentive for comprehensive, strategic relations between nations than when their fundamental values converge with their core national and security interests. Canada and Japan are in this most propitious situation in 2021.**

IV- APPENDIX no. 1

Dire History Repeated – the Neo-Fascist Beijing Regime

Motto no. 1: “China [domestically] is a socialist [Marxist] country...an alliance of workers and farmers...**where the power of the state belongs to the people.** *China’s socialist democracy is the broadest, most genuine, and most effective democracy to safeguard the fundamental interests of the people.*” Strongman **Xi Jinping** at the 19th CCP Congress, 2017; emphasis added.

Motto no.2: “Making irresponsible comments on the central leadership [*Xi Jinping*] and distorting key party policies by straying from the official line (妄議中央大政方針), are completely forbidden.” Strongman **Xi Jinping** ruling on CCP discipline, 2016.

Motto no. 3: “China must build universities into strongholds that adhere to Party leadership [and engage in] ideological and political work.” Strongman **Xi Jinping**, 2016.

Motto no. 4:“China always pursues a **foreign and national security policy that is defensive in nature.** China’s development does not pose a threat to any other country. No matter what stage of development it reaches, **China will never seek hegemony or engage in expansion.**” Strongman **Xi Jinping** at the 19th CCP Congress, 2017; emphasis added.

Motto no. 5: “We must not let the rules set by one [the United States] or a few [democratic] countries be imposed on others, or allow unilateralism pursued by certain countries to set the pace for the whole world. What we need in today's world is justice, not hegemony. Big countries should behave in a manner befitting their status and with a greater sense of responsibility.....*In state-to-state relations, the principles of equality, mutual respect and mutual trust must be put front and center. Bossing others around or meddling in others' internal affairs would not get one any support. We must advocate peace, development, equity, justice, democracy and freedom, which are common values of humanity, and encourage exchanges and mutual learning among civilizations to promote the progress of human civilization...***However strong it may grow, China will never seek hegemony, expansion, or a sphere of influence. Nor will China ever engage in an arms race.**” Strongman **Xi Jinping** keynote speech at annual Beijing propaganda *Boao Forum for Asia* – April 20, 2021; emphasis added.

Motto no. 6: “We are now facing a historic opportunity that happens only once in a thousand years... The [anti-democratic] international community [Russia, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Pakistan, Iran, Turkey, Cuba, Venezuela, most of Africa, JK] increasingly thinks highly of us and wants to hear what China has to say and see what China wants to do...*People are gravely disappointed in the Western ruling apparatus. Many leaders of developing countries...* told me that they are doubtful about the political system of the West and expressed hope to learn about how China has developed itself.” Strongman Xi Jinping to the Central Military Commission, 2016; italics added.

Motto no.7: “China is not the provocative side in disputes with Japan and the Philippines that have occurred in recent years. If Japan hadn't nationalized the Diaoyu Islands, or if the Philippines naval vessels hadn't dispersed Chinese fishermen around Huangyan Island, [the Philippines’

Scarborough Shoal] these crises wouldn't have broken out. **China is the biggest power in East Asia, and it's also the main advocate of putting aside disputes and jointly developing disputed areas.** As long as other countries don't provoke the status quo, a peaceful relationship with China can be maintained. **If China had really taken assertiveness in its strategy as a national policy, Asia wouldn't be what it looks like today.** *Global Times*, January 30th, 2013; emphasis added.

Motto no. 8: “[I]n recent years, some countries have been provoking China with tactics such as the **rebalancing to the Asia-Pacific region** by the Obama administration, **the nationalization of the Diaoyu Islands by the Japanese government**, and the **South China Sea arbitration** filed by the Philippine government under Benigno Aquino III. **China's "assertive" actions are merely countermeasures taken to buffer those moves against China's interests.**” *Global Times*, August 2017; emphasis added.

Motto no. 9: “**There is a vast gap between the words and deeds of China.** We have always shown our heart-felt goodwill and exercised the utmost restraint, but China's response has grown increasingly threatening. We always wish for peace and friendship, but those things must be based on independence, self-reliance, sovereignty and territorial integrity. We will never trade these sacred things for a certain false and dependent peace and friendship [with China].” **Nguyen Van Dung**, Prime Minister of Vietnam at the *World Economic Forum* in Manila, May 23rd, 2014.

Motto no. 10: “This is a very serious turn of events...It certainly has increased a [sic] level of concern and a [sic] level of great anxiety among all parties, particularly parties that would need the access, the passage and the freedom to go through.” **Surin Pitsuwan**, Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), in reaction to China's arbitrary interference with international shipping in the South China Sea most of which it arbitrarily declared “Chinese territory.” November 2012. (Xi Jinping **expanded the aggression** and in 2016 rejected the International Court in The Hague's ruling recognizing Philippines territorial waters in the South China Sea which Beijing grabbed – see *below*).

Motto no. 11: “Japan has been steadfast in demonstrating its solidarity with the Philippines as we advocate freedom of navigation and the rule of law in the face of China's unlawful territorial claim. **For Japan's support for our peaceful, lawful, and principled approach...we thank you.**” President Benigno Aquino of the Republic of the Philippines, 2015; emphasis added.

Motto no. 12: “**The threat of [Chinese] hegemony**...is at the core of the sharpening geopolitical competition...in Asia.” Indian strategic analyst, **Brahma Chellaney**, 2013; emphasis added.

Motto no. 13: “[T]he **BRI** is China's grand bid for global economic supremacy and political domination.” *China in the Middle East – ‘Silk Road’ to the Levant* by **Mordechai Chaziza** and **Ephraim Karsh**, *Middle East Quarterly*, Spring 2021; emphasis added.

Motto no. 14: “China poses ..the greatest threat to democracy and freedom worldwide since World War II...Beijing intends to dominate the ...planet economically, militarily and technologically.” **John Ratcliffe**- National Security adviser to president D.J. Trump, 2019.

Motto no. 15: “[In addition to Jihadism] **Russia** currently poses the biggest state-based threat to Britain, but **China will become more dangerous in the future.. Russia is delivering bursts of**

bad weather, while Beijing is changing the climate...the biggest long-term challenge is...China." Ken McCalum head of Britain's MI5; December 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 16: "They [the Chinese] are continuing with their **salami slicing**, reef by reef, step by step... In reality they want to change ... the South China Sea into a Chinese lake." Professor **Tran Truong Thuy**, *Vietnam Institute for East Sea Studies*, 2014; emphasis added.

Motto no. 17: "China follows a familiar salami-slicing playbook in territorial disputes: **change ground positions stealthily, move forward assertively, express outrage when discovered, denounce provocations and intrusions by the other party, threaten exemplary retaliation, step back in "good faith," propose fresh border management procedures, ensure its territorial creep becomes a de facto reality, and repeat as required.**" Indian analyst **Ramesh Thakur** on China-India border dispute, 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 18: "You [Xi Jinping] have created an inscrutable, non-transparent China. Before Corona, China was known as a surveillance state. Now, China is known as a surveillance state that infected the world with a deadly disease. That is your political legacy... You plan to strengthen China through a plague that you exported. **You will not succeed. Corona will be your political end, sooner or later.**" **Julian Reichelt**, editor of *Bild*-German weekly magazine in open letter to **Xi Jinping** titled "*You are endangering the world.*" April 20, 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 19: "I'm not afraid of nuclear war. There are 2.7 billion people in the world; it doesn't matter if some are killed. **China has a population of 600 million; even if half of them are killed, there are still 300 million people left.** I'm not afraid of anyone." **Mao Zedong** at 40th anniversary celebrations of the Bolshevik coup in Russia, November 1957, Moscow; emphasis added.

Motto no.20: "*Ever since the [1949] Chinese [communist] Revolution we had to think of what the new China was likely to be...We realized ...from history that a strong China is normally an expansionist China . Throughout history that has been the caseAll revolutions tend to function abnormally....Now, China is very, very far from normality and that is our and the world's misfortune. Considerable strength coupled with an abnormal state of mind is a dangerous thing...I doubt if there is any country in the world which cares less for peace than China today.*" Indian Prime Minister **Jawaharlal Nehru** speaking in Parliament, 1959; emphasis added.

Motto no. 21 : "**We have been stabbed in the back** [by China] ... (after)...living in a fool's paradise of our own making (pretending that Tibet's 1950 capture by China never happened, JK)" **Jawaharlal Nehru** speaking in the Indian Parliament after the Chinese aggression in the Himalayas, 1962

Motto no. 22: "**The more vigorously and courageously injustice and force are attacked at their first appearance, the less often will it be necessary to take the field against them in battle...The more sensitive is every part to the injuring of the whole, the less frequent will wars become.**" *A History of the Balance of Power in Europe* by Friedrich Gentz [1805] quoted in **J.W. Wheeler-Bennett** in *Munich: Prologue to Tragedy* [London: The Viking Press, 1963]; emphasis added.

Motto no. 23: "**This policy** (of using corrupting means to gain political and economic influence in democratic nations, JK) **encourages overseas Chinese who are acceptable to the PRC government to become involved in politics in their host countries as candidates who, if elected, will be able to act to promote China's interests abroad.** It also encourages China's

allies to build relations with non-Chinese pro-CCP government foreign political figures, to offer donations to foreign political parties and to mobilize public opinion via Chinese language social media so as to promote the PRC's political and economic agenda abroad." **Ann- Marie Brady**, Australian China specialist; emphasis added.

In July 2021, the CCP celebrated its centennial. Founded by intellectuals Chen Duxiu and Li Dazhao, and since 1943 led by Mao Zedong, it took over China in 1949 after defeating the Nationalist Party [KMT] of Chiang Kai-shek [Jiang Jieshi] in a brutal civil war that lasted intermittently for 22 years and cost (as **all** other internal Chinese upheavals) millions of lives.

The PRC was established as a dictatorial, murderous communist system by Mao Zedong who died in 1976. In the first four years of his rule, the *Great Helmsman* ordered the liquidation of over two million private, thus politically undesirable, land- owners as part of the failed collectivization of agriculture. The mad autarkic experiment of collectivized development known as the *Great Leap Forward* (GLF, 1958-61) and the protracted (1964-76) and deliberate criminal chaos of the "cultural revolution" (aimed only at allowing Mao to stay in power even after the devastating GLF by destroying the CCP!!!) **added at least another 50 million victims to the gruesome tally.**

The evolution of the Beijing Regime after 1976 has followed a path like no other in history. A process of political and socio- economic change fraudulently called "socialism with Chinese characteristics" (in truth a **CCP-dominated State-capitalist economic system**) launched by Deng Xiaoping in 1978 and completed by **Xi Jinping** (who added "in the new era" to the Regime's defining slogan and practically **anointed himself Strongman-for-Life**) in March 2018 resulted in a case of what I call **Dire History Repeated** : China, while officially still "communist, " in reality, both domestically and in its foreign policy is a **Neo-Fascist** (or considering its foundational millenary socio- political ideology - **Confucian-Fascist**) entity fully reminiscent of European Fascism until 1945. This is a purely *descriptive* designation; as the *table* and *picture below* indicate, **the only major difference** between Communism and Fascism is that the latter allows private property/businesses to exist, which, however, are at the mercy of the **One-Party State** and ultimately, the **Never-Elected-Strongman- in China since late 2012, Xi Jinping.**

The "PR"C: from Communism (Mao) to *Fascism* (Xi)

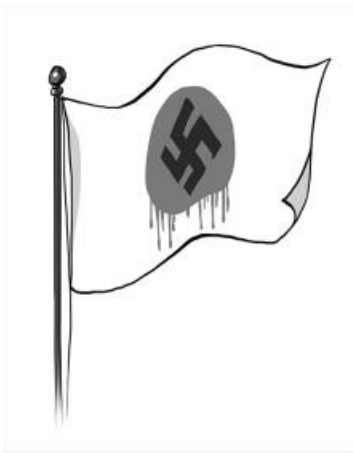
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| • No Freedom of Religion | • No Freedom of Religion |
| • Political Re-education Camps (Xi was an inmate) | • Political/Uygur/Tibetan Re-education Camps & Falun Gong Organ Harvesting/Trade |
| • Aggressive Foreign Policy | • Aggressive Foreign Policy |
| • No Private Property | • State/DESPOt Dominated Private Property/Business, thus <i>Fascist</i> . |

The LAOGAI [勞動改造] compulsory **work** and political **re-education** camp system



The ideological identity between Benito **Mussolini**: “**All within the [One Party] State, nothing outside the [One Party] State, nothing against the [One Party] State,**” and Xi Jinping: “***The country, the military, society, schools, north, south, east and west, all belong to the [One] Party [State]***” is crystal clear. The statement to the *People’s* (in fact the CCP’s) *Armed Police* (right picture below) unequivocally casts Xi as a Neo-Fascist strongman. Falsely portraying Japan as fascist (left picture) is part of Beijing’s relentless anti-Japanese racist propaganda. (see p. 24).

WHO IS FASCIST ?
 Beijing’s *Global Times* cartoon [2014 LEFT] and ‘Strongman’ Xi Jinping statement:
 “The armed police should follow the **absolute leadership of the CPC**; **loyalty to the Party** is always the foremost political requirement for them.” January 2013, Xi Jinping, addressing a unit of the People’s [actually the **PARTY**’s] Armed Police [like Hitler’s SS];
 The Beijing Regime
LEFTIST [formally Communist- on the way to Neo-Confucian/Communist] & RIGHTIST [CORPORATIST] FASCISM



Almost a decade after the Abe ASD in the metaphorical role of the canary in the mineshaft alerted the world to the mounting challenge of the Beijing Regime - the world’s democracies – the Quad/NATO/G-7 and all nations determined to defend their survival are feverishly attempting to pool their resources to stave off Beijing imperialism. Those nations should be even more committed to their struggle to escape Xi Jinping’s clutches after considering his July 1, 2021 speech at the CCP centennial bash that included this *Pearl of Truth*:

The Chinese people have **never** bullied, oppressed or subjugated the people of any other country and we never will.!!!!



The images above - of recent demonstrations against Chinese imperialism in Makati City in the Philippines (left) and in Vietnam’s Ho Chi minh City – among many others, speak for themselves and present the real, truthful and highly disturbing picture. In addition to the Philippines and

Vietnam, the peoples of India and of European nations are also highly concerned with Xi Beijing's aggressive imperialism and expansionism (*mottos no. 9-17 & 20,21*).

Much worse, of course, is the situation of Tibetans, Uyghurs, Kazakhs, Inner Mongolians - whose ancestral lands that China has grabbed since 1949 make up **40% of its territory**. **China - contemporary history's second most successful imperialist and colonial power** has used military conquest followed by linguistic, educational and socio-cultural assimilationist policies for the Sinification of all non-Chinese. The most successful imperialist and colonialist power following the same pattern (leading to Russification) is China's (temporary) ally, **Russia**.

The hypocritically *victimist* thuggish quality of Strongman Xi's speech at the Tiananmen Square celebratory hullabaloo is unmistakable: "***The Chinese people will never allow any foreign forces to bully, oppress or enslave us. Anyone who dares will have their heads cracked and their blood will flow before the steel Great Wall built with the flesh and blood of 1.4 billion Chinese people...Only socialism can save China and only socialism with Chinese characteristics can develop China.***" The excerpt is a monumental example of egregious moral inversion: the **World's Chief Bully** speaking in the name of the also bullied and **Never Consulted** 1.4 billion Chinese, **threatens imaginary foreign bullies with bloody annihilation**; the (political and/or physical) **Enslaver** of Chinese, Uyghurs, Tibetans, Kazakhs, Mongolians pledges to continue **monopolizing enslavement**. Indeed, *Berlin's National Socialism of yore is Beijing's 21st century "[National]Socialism with Chinese characteristics in the New Era."*

It is not surprising then, that in 2021 there is strong interest in Beijing Regime universities (especially **Tsighua University** – the alma mater of many CCP stalwarts like Hu Jintao and Xi Jinping) in the **Führerprinzip** (the Supreme Leader principle) ideology of German philosopher and Nazi Party luminary Karl Schmidt. Fascism and Marxism have always used antisemitism as a major ideological and political tool. In 2021 **the Xi Beijing regime has been rapidly adopting the worst conspiratorial antisemitic tropes-used by its role models Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union- in its relentless anti-American and anti-Western propaganda**. In May, the official **CGTN** [China Global Television Network] commentator **Zheng Junfeng** blamed the rift between Washington and Beijing on "*Jews dominating the financial, media and Internet industries [thus politics] in the US.*" Zheng described Israel as an "American bridgehead" whose role is to undermine "pan-Arab" aspirations. The same month, in the same vein, **Beijing's embassy in Tokyo** tweeted an antisemitic cartoon showing the Grim Reaper wrapped in the American flag, carrying a scythe marked with the Israeli flag as he leaves trails of blood in Muslim nations (represented by doors) from Afghanistan and Pakistan to Libya, Syria and Egypt. The caption (in Japanese) read: "This is what happens when America brings democracy." (*picture below*).

米国が「民主」を持って来たら、こうなります。

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In July, **Xinhua**- CCP/Regime (propaganda) news agency carried a cartoon (*below*) in the best tradition of *Völkischer Beobachter/Pravda* (in 1946 Stalin falsely accused Jewish doctors of plotting to murder him). It has American Secretary of State Antony Blinken (who is Jewish thus drawn in the best antisemitic tradition with devilish horns and a long “Jewish” nose) trying to get WHO (and Xi Jinping-*man*) Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus to undertake a new investigation on the origin of the New Corona [Wuhan] virus.



The obvious conclusion is ***that in addition to anti-Westernism and anti-Americanism, antisemitism, anti-Zionism (political antisemitism) and anti-Israelism (especially of the kind I call CSA – Conspiracy Scapegoating Antisemitism) is on the verge of becoming the main ideological glue of the BIMPAT Axis. Jihadi Islamabad, Ankara and Tehran are Beijing’s most reliable sources of rabid Muslim anti-Israelism and antisemitism. Moscow is the land of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion. With its full adoption of antisemitism as propaganda tool, Xi Beijing now possesses all the characteristics of a Fascist, or accounting for its one and only original political tradition – a Confucian-Fascist regime.***

Strongman Deng Xiaoping transformed China’s economy from (centrally-planned and totally inefficient) communist to State-capitalist which, especially after 1992, generated unprecedented material prosperity through foreign investment, purchased, forcibly transferred and especially stolen foreign technology (the latter I call ***heft through theft*** -to the tune of hundreds of billions of dollars every year, especially from the United States), and ruthless exploitation of cheap Chinese labour by local and foreign businesses. The credit the Beijing Regime claims for the significant (though most uneven) improvement in the living standards of hundreds of millions of Mainland Chinese in the past four decades resulted from a devilish bargain in which, in exchange for their bellies being fuller than even before (*thanks only to the capitalist mode of production*) , all political, socio-economic , educational and cultural (including history) realms – are in the perpetual stranglehold of the one and only totalitarian, draconian, violent, highly corrupt, inhumane CCP. This is particularly so since late 2012 when Xi Jinping took over.

In August 2021, following the annual (always closed-door) gathering of CCP heavyweights at the Beidaihe sea resort (outside of Beijing) a propaganda campaign ensued to fabricate an environment of “groundswell” support for cementing Xi’s rule indefinitely after 2022 (for which he gave himself “constitutional” approval in March 2018). As part of this self-serving political offensive the *Capo di Tutti Capi* attacked CCP bosses of Zhejiang province – actually his political base- a bastion of private (as opposed to State-owned) enterprise (*Ali Baba* etc.) and called for [national]-socialism – cleverly expressed in the Leftist populist (Xi-centred) fake slogan of ***common prosperity***.

In 2018, Xi Beijing and the global Left (including the *EU leadership*!!!) celebrated the 200th birthday of communist guru Karl Marx – the Trier (Germany)-born, awful son, failed father and husband, financially incompetent thus envious individual, but deadly pedlar of invidious class warfare and racist, genocidal antisemite (see his “*On the Jewish Question*”) to boot. However, when

considering Xi Beijing, the fact that there are **billionaires** – “Pony” Ma Yun , the founder of *Tencent* and countless *others like him- as CCP members* all fully dependent for their economic and even physical wellbeing on Strongman Xi’s whims clearly prove the real nature of the CCP: “*Communist*” in name, (picture below) *Corporatist, Neo-Fascist (Confucian-Fascist) in reality.*

Xi Jinping Commemorating Marx 's 200th Birthday, May 4, 2018



- "Writing Marxism onto the flag of the Chinese Communist Party was totally correct... Unceasingly promoting the sinification and modernization of Marxism is totally correct."

Therefore, Beijing’s donation of a bust of Marx to the city of Trier (*picture below*) is but a clever propaganda stunt designed to bolster the CCP’s (fake Marxist) political credentials domestically as well as with international Radical Leftist, anti-democratic groups under its domination.

“Communist” China donates **Marx statue** to Trier
on the guru’s 200th birthday (2017)



The February 2020 statement by Shii Kazuo – the leader of the Japan Communist Party- harshly critical of the CCP as exuding “**great-power chauvinism, hegemonism and violations of human rights** [which] have nothing to do with 'socialism' and are not worthy of the term 'communism,’” speaks for itself. However, Shii offered no alternative name for the Regime. In English, logical options reflecting its draconian domestic policies and aggressive imperialist international behaviour would be for **CCP** to stand for the **Chinese Chauvinist Party** or considering the unimaginable brutality of its strongmen since 1949 (*see below*), the **Chinese Criminal Party**.

Marxism is ideologically utopian especially its fraudulent promise of a “classless society” once communism is achieved through “scientific,” “inevitable” transition from capitalism through socialism. Lenin – the clever and ruthless realist- gave Marxism an overtly insurrectional nature through the idea of the “accelerated” achievement of a communist society through a violent revolution led by a small hardcore party composed of ruthless activists and their Leftist intellectual and academic supporters (“useful idiots” in Leninist parlance). The fact is usually ignored that historically, workers’ rights -beginning with unionization and the right to strike - were first granted (after struggle) by conservative Bismarckian Germany. *Those “sacred” rights are lost or completely adulterated under any Marxist regime- from the Soviet Union through North Korea to China.*

The false nature of Xi Jinping’s statement on the benign domestic nature of the Regime (*motto* no. 1) is obvious when considering the awful reality on the ground since 1949. In democratic nations (such as Japan) Marxism’s appeal has been limited (since 1946) by its ideological commitment to class warfare and militant anti-capitalism and especially its ghastly past record in Russia and China. When in power, ***Marxism is the most unequal socio-economic system*** since Communist Party members – always a small, privileged minority -enjoy profligate political and socio-economic advantages accruing only from their political affiliation, at the expense of the overwhelming majority of the politically unconnected. History unequivocally teaches that **a Marxist regime is always a crime (of various magnitudes) against humanity** – a stark, incontrovertible reality evident by simply considering all leading communist leaders over the past century shown in *the pictures below*: from **Stalin** and **Mao**, through Cuba’s **Castro**, Cambodia’s **Pol Pot**, Ethiopia’s **Mengistu** Haile Mariam, Romania’s Nicolae **Ceaușescu**, North Korea’s **Kim Il-song** and Venezuela’s Hugo **Chavez**. **Among them** (and *excluding* WW II and the Chinese Civil War) this *international Voldemort* (after Lord Voldemort the evil spirit in the *Harry Potter* series) *gallery of Marxist rulers* (see Appendix no.2) **caused the deaths of at least 100 million innocent people!**



Therefore, it is downright disheartening that 76 years after the end of World War II, and 30 years since the collapse of communism in Russia and Eastern Europe, the peace, stability, prosperity and even the basic physical survival of the peoples of the world, to a significant extent depend on the bullying Xi Jinping Regime – a politically anti-democratic and dictatorial, ruthlessly hegemonic,

economically semi-mercantilist, territorially expansionist, militarily aggressive, culturally ultra-nationalistic, supremacist and racist and overall **imperialist and colonialist system** (millions of Han-Chinese settlers having been dispatched to occupied Tibet and Xinjiang, as well as Africa as shown below).

This most disturbing reality has emerged only because the world's democracies, as they did eight decades ago, have again (until most recently) ignored one of the most fundamental lessons of history: that they must not tolerate or compromise with, but rather rally together and resolutely oppose any political system engaged in aggressive bullying and expansionism (China in this case motto no. 22).

It is indeed astounding that the world's democracies – in a display of monumental disrespect for their most cherished principles, and in obscene pursuit of financial profit, (reminiscent of Lenin's brutal quip that capitalists will sell even the rope with which communists will hang them) mixed with the vain hope that capitalist prosperity would make 21st century China a somewhat more benign version of its aggressive millenary imperialist past (mottos no.12,14, 15,18) have extended recognition and respect to a regime whose founder is the worst murderer (of his own people and, through followers like Pol Pot, of Cambodians and others) in modern history. The CCP – for its own selfish political interests and physical survival- resolutely prevents the national reckoning with Mao's unimaginable crimes (even by communist and traditional Chinese standards) mention of which to this day is harshly punished in the "People's Republic." Rather, Mao is Xi Jinping's "role model," and his effigy dominates the heart (Tiananmen Square) of the imperial capital and is splattered on banknotes.

In 2015, on the 26th anniversary of the 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre, the *Tiananmen Mothers'* group in New York, demanded that Beijing confess to and allow free discussion of the crimes of Mao Zedong and Deng Xiaoping if Xi Jinping's premier Li Keqiang was sincere in his statement that **"the leaders of a state not only inherit their predecessors' successes but also bear historical responsibility for their predecessors' crimes."** Xi Beijing is going in the exact opposite direction.

The third decade of the 21st century started with the still unfolding global catastrophe of the New Coronavirus pandemic, which erupted in the unsanitary Huanan animal ("wet") market in Wuhan. Xi Jinping, in relentless pursuit of his Neo-Fascist agenda of perpetual monopolization of political power domestically and, accelerating his imperialist drive internationally, first denied, then deliberately delayed alerting his people and the world to the impending catastrophe- all in an unconscionable move aimed at cornering the world basic medical supply market for political and financial gain!!! Specifically, the dictator ordered a grotesque international propaganda blitz combining fake generosity – in the form of donating (frequently defective) medical equipment to some nations – and gouging others –while arrogantly touting the Regime's supposed "superiority" over the United States and the democracies at large (especially Italy and Spain) - in dealing with the deadly pandemic he had unleashed on China and the world. Beijing's ever-growing battery of egregious exculpating lies (circulated with Russian and Iranian assistance) includes the idea that the plague reached Wuhan through imported frozen fish, via the port of Qingdao; that it was

brought into China by members of the US team to the World Military Games in Wuhan in October 2019 and that the virus originated in many, yet unknown, other countries.

The campaign has generally backfired- Xi's monumental ignorance, crass inhumanity, racist arrogance, cultural chauvinism and plain evil nature were quickly grasped by most foreign "barbarians," [蛮夷- Mányí- especially those in the democratic West].

Cartoon criticizing Xi tech-based "controlocratic" [term coined by Norwegian Stein Ringen in *The Perfect Dictatorship*] despotism that failed to adequately tackle the COVID 19 epidemic



The book of Norwegian author Stein Ringen describing Xi Beijing as a *controlocracy* (cartoon above) and the scathing editorial by German journalist Julian Reichelt (*motto* no. 18) aimed at Xi Jinping (for the Regime's early – and later better hidden- incompetence in dealing with the pandemic, then for its criminal penchant for secrecy so as to protect the Despot's contrived image of infallibility) were blocked from reaching China. Inside China, female journalist and blogger Zhang Zhan who tracked and publicized countless Regime failures and lies in dealing with the Wuhan virus was incarcerated for four years for "spreading lies." Worst yet, CCP *princeling* (hailing from one of 400 families with exclusive, Confucian-style CCP connections like the Xi clan) and Beijing real-estate mogul Ren Zhiqiang – a courageous critic of Strongman Xi -whom he called a "*naked clown*," for his pandemic mismanagement was sentenced to 18 years in prison. Even internet billionaire and international business celebrity "Jack" Ma Yun *was disappeared* for a number of weeks by the Regime for statements perceived as critical of Xi Beijing. These are but few of countless examples of Xi's "[national] socialist democracy" at work (*mottos* no.1,2,3)

President Benigno Aquino of the Philippines during a visit to Japan in 2015 referred to China's relentless aggression in his nation's territorial waters [West Philippine Sea] of the South China Sea as the Asian version of Nazi German imperialist expansionism. Indeed, the Beijing Regime's global imperialist **Heshin Ri'i** [Core Area (expansionism "with [Han] Chinese characteristics in the new era")] – foreign policy is the perfect 21st century version of Germany's **Lebensraum** [Living Space] of eight decades ago; it **is considered the most dangerous threat to the peace, prosperity and even physical survival of Indo-Pacific nations and the world.** (*mottos* no.9;10,12,14,15,16)

Unlike the benign- sounding though absolutely false, statements above (*mottos* no.4,5,6) bolstered by fraudulent *victimist* statements of his propaganda organs particularly the malodorous *Global Times* (*mottos* no 7, 8) Xi Jinping's clear goal is no less than world rule, (*motto* no. 6) using a variety of instruments: development and trade (through the **BRI** – the Belt and Road Initiative,

(*motto* no. 13) designed to lure nations everywhere into Beijing's imperialist orbit through *debt trap* tactics – developing nations taking loans from Beijing and when unable to pay them back are forced to give China territorial, political and economic privileges; military and political pressure-including cyberespionage, traditional espionage and ruthless propaganda using selective or fake history originating in China or undertaken by appeasers and some naturalized citizens of the US, Australia, New Zealand and Canada. (*motto* no. 23)

The *South China Morning Post's* Huang Zheping has documented thoroughly the ghastly phenomenon of Xi Jinping's propaganda war against the West and, in a sense, against his people. It is only natural for Xi Beijing, the world's most ruthless surveillance regime which penetrated democracies at all levels through sprawling espionage networks (p. 42) and appeasers (*below*) to be using freedom of expression for blatant anti-American propaganda videos in New York's Times Square. Lei Xiying a Chinese PhD student at the Australian National University in Canberra produced and circulated in Australia and beyond an anti-American video titled " *The dark shadow of the Stars and Stripes.*" Domestically, the Regime has increased exponentially anti-Western propaganda through an endless barrage of national brainwashing to foment anti-foreign hysteria. The younger generation are being targeted by the Communist Youth League (the equivalent of the Hitler Jugend and the Komsomol) which uses the Weibo social media platform and even *CCP-sponsored rap groups* like CD REV!!! In 2015 Xi Jinping launched *National Security Education Day* (April 15) which among other means "mobilizes" Western pop culture icons from Mr. Bean to Batman to drive home the Despot's message of treating foreigners with suspicion. The campaign has included the incarceration of human rights lawyers, fraudulently accused of being foreign spies and brainwashed into confessing to trumped up charges. Xi pays US\$72000 to any Chinese subject apprehending a foreign spy!

A particularly dangerous element in Beijing's pernicious imperialist **tao** is to state that politics and economics/trade should not be linked while in fact using economic and trade pressures for political and strategic gain on a grand scale. The victim nations' reluctance to jeopardize economic or trade "benefits" they think they obtain from exchanges with Beijing in many cases prevents them from reacting firmly to Xi Jinping aggression. Beijing has victimized a slew of countries which had carelessly expanded economic ties with the Regime exposing themselves to its ruthless blackmailing – from Japan, South Korea, Vietnam, the Philippines, Brunei, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Australia and Canada, to France, Norway, Montenegro, Czechia.

Geographically, China's **He Shin Ri'i /Lebensraum** campaign extends from the East China Sea in northeast Asia through the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean to the Himalayas in the south/southwest- an enormous area I call the **Arc of Chinese Imperialist Aggression** [ACIA]. Xi Jinping's ultimate aim is to turn all nations into Beijing satrapies – like North Korea, Cambodia, Laos, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, most African states and potentially, even Greece.

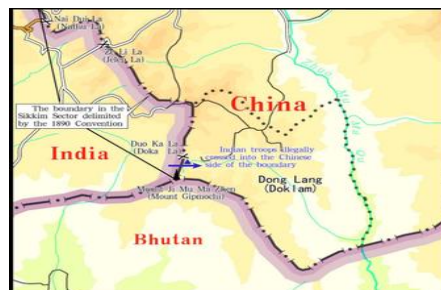
In its immediate vicinity, Beijing uses military, economic and political means at one and the same time, in the East China Sea - against Japan (whose Senkaku islets it calls Diaoyūtai and wants to grab) - as well as in the sprawling South China Sea where its targets are territories and resources belonging to Taiwan (see my *Taiwan- Brief Jottings on an Exemplary and Thriving Democracy*), the Philippines, Brunei, Vietnam, Malaysia and Indonesia. Beijing justifies its rapaciousness in the area through the so-called **Nine Dash** or **Cow Tongue, Line**- a naked imperialist scam, using fake history as expansionist crutch. Xi rejected outright the 2016 verdict of the International Court in The Hague which ruled in favour of the Philippines which had contested the legality of the Chinese Line which covers 92% of the area! (*map below*)



In the South China Sea, Beijing combines territory and resource theft with aggressive disruption of international navigation through unilateral and illegal regulations and by turning sandy shoals into militarized artificial islands in the Spratly and Paracel archipelagos (full-size airport on Woody Island, *below*).



High in the Himalayas – in the Dok-Lam area , China is re-enacting the Maoist aggression of 1962, this time using the gradual, “salami-style” tactic. (*motto* no. 17)



Since 2020, **Xi has frequently and publicly** (most recently at the March 2021 session of his “*parliament*”) **ordered his military to be ready to fight and win his future (imperialist) wars.** In early November 2020 he gave his coast guard in the East China Sea and South China Sea perimeters, permission to use weapons against any ships not complying with Beijing’s unilateral, illegal navigation rules in those areas. This particular provocation has the direst potential consequences. As a determined practitioner of Confucian-Fascist imperialism, the possibility should not be ignored of Xi Jinping actually implementing Mao’s brutally cavalier remarks of 64

years ago regarding nuclear war (*motto* no.19); unlike Mao, Xi has sprawling nuclear weapon capacity, and his inhumanity matches that of his brutal hero.

In the 2020s, China is the core of an enormous, territorially contiguous and rapidly coalescing politically, de-facto **BIMPAT** totalitarian aggressively anti-democratic, *Axis* which, when fellow anti-democratic African, Asian and Latin American nations are added, becomes what I call **BIMPAT Plus**. The fact that three Axis members which although major Muslim (Islamist) states – **Iran – Turkey** (formally still a NATO member!) and **Pakistan** a full Chinese bailiwick - are completely silent regarding China's appalling treatment of its Uygur and Kazakh Muslim minorities is resounding evidence as to their ghastly hypocrisy and monumental anti-Western racism (reinforced by antisemitism)- an issue on which the EU's approach in particular amounts to inexcusable appeasement of evil. In addition, Beijing (with Moscow as junior partner) dominates the **SCO** [*Shanghai Cooperation Organization*]- a rapidly growing anti-Western political and military framework focused on Central Asia as well as the **BRICS** [Brazil/Russia/India/China/South Africa] grouping of regional powers whose viability is still in doubt. In principle though, India's membership in the BRICS is highly regrettable and justifies its reputation as a duplicitous power some call "the France of Asia." Standing shoulder-to-shoulder with today's Beijing in **any** context amounts to nothing less than India "unlearning" the devastating lesson in ruthless violent *realpolitik* lesson Mao administered it 61 years ago. (*mottos* no. 20,21)

Xi's relentless, multilateral and concomitant aggression -using any and all means- against most of China's neighbours plus Australia, the US, India and the EU- at first sight may seem as mindless serial provocations. However, *Evil is never stupid*. The Beijing Despot's offensive moves stem from (hopefully misplaced) confidence that his BIMPAT Plus camp is politically and militarily stronger as well as more determined than the democracies and their supporting nations (Vietnam, Indonesia etc.). Simply put, Xi engages in Hitlerian brinkmanship because, like his European predecessor until 1939, he too, believes he can do it with impunity - until proven wrong- which is yet to happen. *The paragraphs above point to a situation with unimaginably destructive potential to humanity should it reach a stage where only military means can stem Beijing's Heshin-Ri'i global imperialism.*

Appeasement reminiscent of that of some of the democracies' politicians, intellectuals and academics vis-à-vis Europe's Fascist powers 85 years ago is in full view in the 21st century with Confucian-Fascist *China the Appeased Power*. The model Beijing-appeasing foreign leader is Chinese-speaking Kevin **Rudd**, Australia's Leftist former premier, now head of the ASPI [Asia Society Policy Institute] in New York. Rudd's China-accommodating activism knows no boundaries; beyond politics and foreign policy issues it extends to even (seemingly) trivial gestures like leading a *Chinese Dream* -Xi Jinping's nationalistic imperialist slogan- singalong in Singapore or the *kowtow-light* (in Chinese civilizational symbolism) gesture of stooping to lace up the shoes of a Chinese female student (*picture below*)



Rudd's pro-Beijing ilk includes former German Socialist chancellor and vulgar America-hater Gerhard **Schroeder**, Kishore **Mahbubani** – Rudd's close ideological pal and Singaporean former diplomat turned shrill "Beijing-man"/Asian nationalist *academic*, Nobel Prize winner Leftist American economist Joseph **Stiglitz** and his Columbia College colleague Jeffrey **Sachs**, breathlessly enthusiastic Beijing admirer and Thompson Rivers University (British Columbia) instructor Cyrus **Janssen** and countless others.

The Canadian counterpart of Australian Senator (and unswerving China-appeaser/supporter and as such appropriately forced to retire) Sam **Dastiary** is *Independent Senator* Yuen Pau **Wu**. The former head of the Government of Canada's *Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada* [APFC] advisory institute inaugurated his legislative career with a memorable piece titled "*Now that Harper is gone can we have a sensible talk about China?*" on the online *iPolitics* site. The essay was published in late October 2015 after the China-careful administration of the Conservative Party of Canada of Prime Minister Stephen Harper, was replaced by the China-cheerleading Liberal Party of Justin Trudeau (pp. 37-42). Here are the core ideas (the *Five China Commandments*) of Wu's piece which I have retitled *The Beijing on the Rideau Manifesto*:

We want China to succeed...We support China's desire for a bigger voice in global and regional governance...Canada welcomes Chinese investment...Canada is committed to helping its citizens become more knowledgeable about China and China's place in the world...**We are doing all of the above in our national self-interest.** Emphasis added

Wu jumped immediately on the Beijing-benefitting bandwagon of fake linkage between legitimate criticism of Xi Beijing aggressive imperialism with the absolutely unacceptable anti-[East] Asian racist incidents. (see pp. 7-8) in a commentary ("*Anti-China sentiment is becoming anti-Chinese prejudice in Canada*", June 2021) in Canada's *Globe and Mail* he co-authored with fellow prominent Beijing-appeaser, the University of British Columbia's Paul Evans.

In fairness to Evans & Wu it should be mentioned that the self-righteous, lifelong Beijing-appeasing Prime Minister Justin Trudeau already in May 2021 unscrupulously accused Opposition Conservative MPs of fomenting anti-Chinese sentiment for "daring" to criticize and ask questions about the Government's policy toward Xi Beijing. One year earlier, Trudeau in his relentless chase for votes "confessed" and apologized for Canada's supposed Systemic Racism. All it takes to firmly prove Trudeau's statement as ruthlessly self-serving and mendacious is to consider the make-up of his cabinet where BIPOCs (especially Sikhs) constitute 19% while they make up 5% of the population. Canada – like all other postwar democracies is

*not racist although, like all other nations, does have pockets of racism which governments and society at large are trying to combat. Had democratic societies been as racist as Sinisterists , anti-White BIPOC racists and their feminist allies purport them to be, millions of Africans, Asians, Latin-Americans etc. would not put their lives in danger to reach them. They would instead go to the 56 Muslim or 49 African states, or...China. **For an immigrant society like Canada the ONLY policy conducive to socio-economic and political stability is one of unfettered equality of access and opportunity to all, NOT one based on tribalism and ethnic or skin-colour quotas.***

The highly volatile and potentially explosive environment caused only by Xi's reckless aggression around Japan's Senkaku islets (which China started claiming in 1972, after oil and gas resources were discovered in the area) and even more perilously throughout the enormous South China Sea , increase dramatically the urgency of ***much expanded political, security, military and economic cooperation among nations affected by Beijing's Indo-Pacific hegemonism. For the fellow democracies of Canada and Japan, as shown above, the 2020s are a particularly propitious time for a meaningful elevation in their ties, with Chinese imperialism as common existential challenge thus denominator and incentive.*** The enhancement of this relationship, however, can be effective in (hopefully) deterring and *in extremis* defeating Chinese aggression, **only** if fully intertwined with the two nations' respective formal and *de-facto* alliances, first and foremost with the United States ,as well as with their already existing links with other countries targeted by Xi Beijing imperialism – from Taiwan and the Republic of Korea, India, Vietnam and Indonesia to Australia and New Zealand as well as Britain, the EU and even NATO [*which as long as the Beijing threat exists, thus for geo-strategic reasons should become APTO – Atlantic and Pacific Treaty Organization- which would coopt Japan and other Indo-Pacific nations as counterbalance to BIMPAT*]. *Heshin Ri'l/Lebensraum*, of course, did not start with Xi Jinping, although he has been expanding it exponentially. Beijing's aggressive, hegemonic, expansionist policies were in full swing under Strongman Hu whose report to the 18th CCP congress in 2012 included the statement: ***“China intends to intensify its [aggressive, JK] activity in the East China Sea and South China Sea perimeters.”*** Hu's defense minister General Liang Guanglie was most operationally direct in his report : “In the coming five years, **our military will push forward preparations for military conflict in every strategic direction.**” It has to be remembered that the perimeters covered by Liang's statement – ***from the East China Sea to the South China Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Himalayas – can each become a devastating casus belli for which Xi Beijing alone is responsible.***

Therefore, I reject the reference – by Sinisterist “mainstream” media, academe, politicians and intellectuals-to the tenor of Xi Beijing's foreign and security policy as “assertive.” As abundant evidence indicates it is nothing less than a case of totalitarian (Communist or Fascist “nationalism with Chinese characteristics in the new era”) **global imperialist campaign** unfolding in real time. Furthermore, I consider spurious the idea bandied about by those circles, especially in democratic nations ,that in the 2020s China (the “rising” global power- in fact blatant opportunistic aggressor) and the United States (the “reigning hegemon”) are engaged in a “*mano a mano*” confrontation for global domination. Rather, the situation is one where China, by itself, together with Russia through the SCO in Central Asia - or as the core of the BIMPAT Axis, is feverishly attempting to achieve global domination which in the Indo-Pacific means chipping away and eventually

destroying the present *Free and Open Indo-Pacific* [FOIP] regime which the US established, maintained and protected with the cooperation of all democracies – especially Japan- since 1945 for the benefit of *all* nations – including China .In the 21st century Japan has enhanced significantly its participation especially in the Abe era. In 2021, the United States, Japan ,India and Australia (the Quad) and most other nations in the area seem at last determined to stand up to Chinese aggression.

The US and its allies -certainly Japan, Australia, Taiwan, Britain and hopefully the EU (whose Foreign Affairs Commissioner Josef Borrell , in November 2020, approached then president-elect Joe Biden urging cooperation against Chinese aggression) and even Canada and India have no choice but to pool their capacities -only for reasons of national survival- in order to thwart Xi Jinping's imperialism which affects them *individually* and as a group. In other words, being a “neutral” or “spectator “nation is not an option since a world dominated by the *BIMPAT Axis* would mean a return to the dark days of Fascism.

The palpable enhancement of Trump-era China containment policies by the Biden administration, is easily identifiable in the rapid sequence of major moves by the democracies in the first half of 2021- all aimed at stemming Chinese aggression: the looming **institutionalization and expansion** of the Quad **alliance** (see pp.3-5) ; the G-7 summit in London (where India, Australia and South Korea were invited, as a first step toward the potential founding at the suggestion of Prime Minister Boris Johnson of a **D-10** [Ten Democracies] framework) followed by the NATO summit in Brussels, where Secretary General Jan Stoltenberg and EU leaders repeatedly referred to Beijing as a “**systemic rival**.” Considering the overwhelming evidence it is **an existential threat**.

It is said that there is nothing more powerful than an idea whose time has come. The starting point of the cardinal developments above and others mentioned throughout this compendium is in Abe Shinzō's eye and mind-opening, seminal ADSD of late 2012, and his subsequent intensive and highly successful endeavours at implementing them – a process continuing in full swing after his formal departure. For his transformational role in shedding light on the China challenge and suggesting **determined though peaceful means** to cope with it **Abe Shinzō deserves the Nobel Peace Prize**.

V- APPENDIX no. 2

The *Voldemortian* Beijing Regime's *Sopranos*-style Diplomacy

Motto no. 1: "China's....diplomatic style is distinctly belligerent, which has been the case for a number of years now." Mark Harrison, senior researcher in Chinese Studies, University of Tasmania, 2020; emphasis added.

Motto no. 2 : "Boy, [Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau] **your greatest achievement is to have ruined the friendly relations between China and Canada**, and have turned **Canada** into **a running dog of the US.**" Li Yang- Xi Beijing's *wolf-warrior diplomat* in Sao Paulo [Brazil] using a communist insult ["running dog"] against the Canadian leader; emphasis added.

Motto no. 3 : "We treat our friends with fine wine but for our enemies we have shotguns." Gui Congyou, Xi Beijing's *wolf-warrior diplomat* in Sweden in reaction to a 2019 decision by PEN, the international writers group, to honour a Hong Kong-based bookseller who had been kidnapped by the lawless Beijing Regime; emphasis added.

In early June 2021 international media reported that Chinese Strongman Xi Jinping had ordered his sprawling global propaganda machine to start a campaign aimed at creating a "**lovable**" **public image for his regime among democratic nations !!!!** It remains to be seen what kind of *lipstick* the CCP espionage squads and Beijing's appeasing and adoring supporters in democratic nations will use to make the ghastly Regime look better. The gross behaviour of Xi's rowdy and crass diplomatic representatives – the subject of this piece- seems to have backfired. The Despot tried a similar – equally crass, insensitive and ignorant - trick on Japan but failed dismally (p. 25); this one must not be allowed to succeed either. This is not an easy task since it is an undeniable fact that in the BIMPAT states and among his Asian (Cambodia, Laos, Sri Lanka etc.) African (Ethiopia, South Africa, Zambia, Malawi etc.) and Latin American (Cuba, Venezuela etc.) satrapies Xi Jinping is the role model of sorts to a sundry of equally violent and corrupt local strongmen.

Beijing's growing economic and political clout in the past two decades (facilitated **only** by the politically blind, financially greedy and overall irresponsibly accommodating stance of the democracies) has found a most rabidly offensive expression in (Confucianism-inspired) supremacist and racist behaviour of its representatives in international and especially diplomatic forums. (*mottos* no.1;2;3). The EU bureaucracy has branded the notorious vulgarity of Bullying Beijing's envoys, *Sopranos*-style diplomatic behaviour after the popular US gangster TV series. In the past few years, the rude manners of Beijing diplomats abroad are said to be inspired by a series of Regime-sponsored, ultra-nationalistic, anti-American, martial arts flics launched in 2015, whose hero is *Wolf Warrior* (*WW #2 poster below*) – [CCP]-PLA special forces veteran, always victorious over "evil" Americans in Africa - Beijing's colonialist turf. (see *pp.* 34,35)



Wang Yi, Bullying Beijing's Foreign Minister is encouraging the disgraceful manners of his underlings. While there is nothing wrong with Rambo-style, hyper-patriotic fictional flicks, uncouth behaviour of professional diplomats inspired by a jungle environment of Confucian- Fascist propaganda films should not be tolerated by any *self-respecting* nation hosting them. Given the deeply entrenched nature of millenary Confucian racism (see p.34) it is utterly unthinkable for Bullying Beijing to allow the making of the Chinese version of *The Ugly American*. Canada and Japan – like countless other nations- have been the targets of *His Arrogance* Wang Yi and his rowdy minions. At a press conference in Ottawa, in 2016, *King* Wang rudely chastised Canadian journalists for *daring* to ask him *real* questions. In November 2020 in Tokyo, *Wolf Warrior* Wang complained in public to his host, Japanese Foreign Minister Motegi of ...Japan's territorial 'intrusion' in the Senkaku area!!!

Zany Zhao Lijian (below) is the quintessential Xi Jinping “wolf warrior” in Western suit. He was the first Beijing foreign ministry spokesman to falsely accuse the US of being the source of the Wuhan Coronavirus in March 2020. At the time, Beijing's envoy in Washington called the allegation “crazy.” The arrogant, bad-mouthed Zhao has constantly repeated the slur and is still on the job. It is ambassador Cui Tiankai who has recanted.



In Canada, before the brash *Wolf Warrior* Cong Peiwu – Xi's present ambassador – notorious specimens of Chinese diplomatic thuggery included not one but “Two Lus” – the rude and racist (yet not reprimanded or kicked out, by self-**dis**respecting Ottawa) envoys Lu Shu-min and Lu Sha-ye. **Latter Lu** (below left) since 2019 has been doing his abusing in Paris which reprimanded him for posting racist lies on the embassy website about the French people and the Wuhan pandemic. Japan – frequently at the receiving end of Bullying Beijing's (*Pravda/Völkischer Beobachter/Jenmin Jibao*-style) *Global Times* propaganda vehicle (see p.45) - was the subject of an even worse case of vile behaviour by an arrogant Beijing bully, *before* 2015. This indicates that overall, crass, racist language and manners are to be expected of *any* Xi Beijing *diplomat* of sorts, as demonstrated below.



Liu Xiaoming (above right), then Xi's man in Britain- kicked off one of Beijing's frequent global anti-Japanese propaganda campaigns in early January 2014 with a baseless and nasty opinion piece

in the *Daily Telegraph* (“*Japan- threat to global peace by rekindling militaristic spirit of World War Two*”) in which he grossly misrepresented Prime Minister Abe Shinzō’s defensive security policies as revanchist and militaristic. Liu also bashed the Japanese leader for praying at Yasukuni Shrine- the Shintoist, national (though privately-owned) memorial where the spirits of Japan’s fallen soldiers since 1869 are enshrined. Since 1978 the remains of 14 top leaders of wartime Japan (hanged as war criminals by the Allies in 1948) are also interred at Yasukuni. The site also contains some controversial displays attempting to whitewash Imperial Japan’s aggressive ways, a fact used by the country’s Chinese and South Korean detractors as supposedly – and considering incontrovertible postwar facts, utterly falsely- indicating the country’s *present* and *future* aggressive intentions.

China and South Korea started their joint attacks on Japanese leaders visiting Yasukuni only after 1982; the bashing intensified in the 21st century despite of the fact that no Japanese prime minister has ever expressed support for the controversial elements and historical falsehoods (Beijing-style...) at Yasukuni. Prime Minister Koizumi (who like all other Japanese leaders apologized and tried repeatedly to make amends in different forms with Beijing and Seoul) rejected outright his neighbours’ criticism on the Yasukuni issue which he saw as blunt interference in Japan’s internal affairs, which it is. Due to the controversy it has caused, Japanese emperors stopped visiting Yasukuni in the late 1970s. Potential solutions to the problem - from transferring elsewhere the remains of the 14 wartime leaders to building a new national war memorial and others- have been futilely considered for decades.

For Liu, Japan under Abe Shinzō, embodied Lord Voldemort - the evil character in the *Harry Potter* series. Hayashi Keiichi- then Japan’s ambassador to the UK- replied to his Chinese counterpart’s crass diatribe with a dignified and factually solid editorial piece of his own in the same newspaper. Ambassador Hayashi most appropriately urged Liu to stop “invoking the ghost of [Japanese] militarism of seven decades ago which no longer exists.” His overall message was poignant, and memorable: “East Asia is now at a crossroads. There are two paths open to China. One is to seek dialogue and abide by the rule of law. The other is to play the role of Voldemort in the region [and the world, JK] by letting loose the evil of an arms race and escalation of tensions, although Japan will not escalate the situation from its side. The answer seems obvious.” The future proved the visionary quality of the Japanese diplomat’s analysis and forecast: imperialist Xi Beijing fulfills daily ambassador Hayashi’s and any peace-loving person’s, worst fears.

Regarding the Yasukuni pilgrimage on December 26, 2013, for which Liu had bashed him, in fact Abe Shinzō had issued a statement titled “*Pledge for Everlasting Peace*” which contained the following excerpt:

I paid a visit to Yasukuni Shrine to pray for the souls of those who had fought for the country and made ultimate sacrifices... ***I have made a pledge never to wage war again, that we must build a world that is free from the sufferings of the devastation of war.*** Emphasis added.

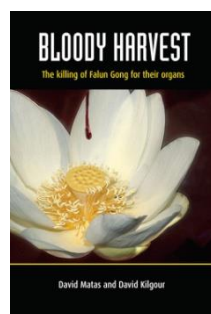
In other words, like all his predecessors, Prime Minister Abe visited Yasukuni in order to pray for peace – for Japan and the world (the *Chinreisha* section of Yasukuni commemorates the souls of fallen soldiers of **all** nations) a statement that reflects most accurately Japan’s international record since 1945 as a bastion of democracy, pacifism and prosperity particularly when compared with the domestically colonialist and genocidal *cum* rabidly imperialist Beijing Regime.

Furthermore, in an interview with a Chinese-language newspaper in Yokohama (a city with a large Chinese community) on the eve of the Chinese new year in January 2014, Abe stated that postwar Japan was “ [re] built [as] a free and democratic country and taken the path of peace.. Nothing has been changed in the policy of continuing to uphold this position,” which was and is, of course, true.

Nevertheless, as expected, Beijing, Seoul and their *Sinisterist* cohorts in the American and Japanese media and universities, continuing their relentless global anti-Japanese propaganda campaign, ignored the Japanese leader's constructive and reasonable messages and bashed him for the Yasukuni visit. Sasae Ken'ichirō – then Japan's ambassador to the United States – explained his nation's position on the issue in a dignified and professional manner in a media exchange with Cui Tiancai.

Ambassador Hayashi's impressive, dignified and widely publicized reply to Liu's crass rant, would have been even more powerful had it referred (as **Jawaharlal Nehru** did – *mottos* no. 20, 21 on p. 45) to Mao's aggressive foreign policy, afflicting Xinjiang, Tibet, Korea, India, Vietnam and even the Soviet Union. Worse yet, domestically, any **postwar** nation whose (Communist) Dictator Founder was **responsible for the death of at least 50 millions of his own people** in grotesque schemes like the Great Leap Forward and the mad, self-serving "cultural" revolution but who has never been taken to task for them, whose awful crimes the people are forbidden from even mentioning decades after his death and instead, inspire his successors especially Xi Jinping – warrant crowning *Mao Zedong* the *Supreme Voldemort of modern national leaders*.

Furthermore, even a slightly broader inquiry reveals the mindboggling reality of totalitarian lawlessness, criminality and aggressiveness of the Beijing Regime whose unelected strongmen after Mao, turned it from Confucian- Communist (see my "*Understanding Chinese Confu-Communism*" online) to Confucian- Fascist today. Hua Guofeng, made boss by Mao, weeks before the dictator's death, came from the CCP's dreaded security apparatus, the regime's domestic espionage and dissident-disappearing machine, which today penetrates society to the local neighbourhood level. The willy Deng Xiaoping (who swiftly emasculated Hua after 1978) provoked a border war "to teach Vietnam a lesson" mainly for dislodging the regime of "mini Mao" Pol Pot, Beijing's protégé, who *only* murdered over two million fellow Cambodians. Domestically, Deng liquidated the Democracy Wall in 1980 and butchered the Tiananmen Square democracy movement in 1989, at the cost of thousands of innocent lives. Jiang Zemin, bossed in by Deng, launched the criminal system of forcible harvesting and selling of organs of tens of thousands of Falun Gong practitioners, an outrage courageously documented by Canadian researchers David Kilgour and David Matas (*book below*). The caption on the direction arrow at an entrance to Kashgar (Xinjiang) airport (*right picture*) reads: "Special Passengers: *Human Organ Export Lane*."



The inevitable question arises: ***has the ghastly forced organ harvesting and trade system victimizing the Falun Gong been extended to the Muslim Uyghurs in Xinjiang?***

Strongman Hu Jintao orchestrated the Sinification of Tibet (through a flood of Han-Chinese settlers, while rejecting the Dalai Lama's compromise of accepting Beijing's colonial rule in exchange for religious and cultural autonomy for Tibetans.) *Historically, the most convincing but oddly overlooked proof that Tibet is completely different politically from China- thus not an integral part of the Chinese empire- is that Beijing represents a tradition where Religion has always been subservient to the State whereas Tibet's heritage is one where the Dalai Lama is both religious*

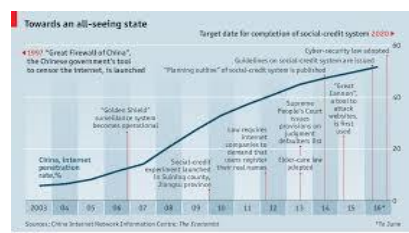
and political leader, JK]. Chinese soldiers manhandling an elderly protester in 1959 (left picture) and the act of self-immolation of a young Tibetan protester (in 2017 right picture) illustrate the sordid history of Chinese imperialism.



Xi Jinping's ever-growing record of inhumanity includes the *Sinification* campaign of millions of Muslim Uyghurs through re-education camps (picture below) and even by forcing them to "adopt" Han Chinese agents into their families (!!!)



Overall, Xi Jinping, using the latest technologies, has turned his empire into the world's top surveillance state- Regime software installed on private smartphones, a draconian *social-credit system* and **hundreds of millions of surveillance cameras** blanketing the country – here the political heart of the empire – Tiananmen Square . (pictures below)



“社会信用体系”
social-credit system

China's State Council proposed that a singular metric be designed that would be used to rank the trustworthiness of a Chinese citizen.

Eight private companies were granted contracts to build and deliver a proof-of-concept as to how a social credit system would be integrated and become mandatory by 2020.

Some of the world's biggest companies built algorithms. In

Alibaba 阿里巴巴 • Tencent 腾讯 • Baidu 百度 • JD.com 京东 • Meituan 美团 • Didi 滴滴 • Ant Financial 蚂蚁金服

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In this context the wake-up call issued at the 2019 annual Davos conference by businessman and Open Society founder George Soros regarding the existential challenge of Xi Jinping totalitarianism has relevance:

China is not the only authoritarian regime in the world but it is the wealthiest, strongest and technologically most advanced. This makes Xi Jinping the most dangerous opponent of open societies. That's why it's so important to distinguish Xi Jinping's policies from the aspirations of the Chinese people. *The social credit system, if it became operational, would give Xi total control over the people. Since Xi is the most dangerous enemy of the open society, we must pin our hopes on the Chinese people, and especially on the business community and a political elite.*

At this dark juncture, however, Beijing Regime domestic reality is one of a Mao-style Xi Jinping cult of pandemic proportions – his pictures and slogans flooding trains, streets and apps. The app in the picture below (*left*) requires the player to tap the screen as many times as possible in 18 seconds, which then turn into applause of support for Xi Jinping; the 10-part TV series “*Carrying reform through to the end*,” celebrates Xi’s “achievements,” in education: disciplining students using face-recognition (*picture below right*).



Hangzhou [capital of Zhejiang province—east China]
school using **facial recognition** as means of **discipline**
through **surveillance**



An investigative report in the *South China Morning Post* in October 2019, drew a dark picture of the Orwellian atmosphere in the CCP-dominated education:

“Chill and fear pervade in Chinese classrooms as students are recruited to report teachers with ‘radical’ opinions. Some educators have been punished as the battle over political ideology intensifies on campuses. Teachers were reprimanded after discussing social issues such as the environment, gender equality and the death penalty.”

Xi Beijing’s arrogant, racist demeanour and tone on ghastly global display by its gross “diplomatic” corps has its shrill counterpart in the media. Multimillionaire HU Xijin (*picture below*) the editor of the English edition of *Global Times* is Xi Jinping’s imperialist ,racist online attack dog serving his master in *Der Stürmer/Pravda-Krokodil/Jenmin Jibao*- style journalism.



Said Xi's Hu on Australia (for *daring* to stand up to reckless Chinese espionage, blackmail and brinkmanship culminating in the **audacious** demand that a professional international investigation of the Wuhan pandemic be launched): "*Australia is always there, making trouble. It is like chewing gum stuck on the sole of China's shoes. Sometimes you have to find a stone to rub it off.*" Hu deserves the Mahathir bin Mohamad prize for anti-Australian racism.

Xi Jinping has earned another feather in his dreadful iron cap, by deliberately not alerting his people and the world in timely fashion to the Wuhan virus - a crime which cost millions of non-Chinese and Chinese lives. The BIMPAT axis continues to shamelessly try to shift responsibility for the plague from China to the US and European nations. In conclusion, for their unmatched postwar record of murderous treatment of their own people and of the ethnic and religious minorities under their rule (especially Tibetans, Uyghurs, Kazakhs, Inner Mongolians and Falun Gong) and their aggressively imperialist and colonialist foreign policy in the era of Asian and African decolonization (unless the colonizer is Chinese, Russian or Turkish)- **the Beijing Regime's top leaders constitute a veritable Voldemort Gallery.**



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