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Dear Regina :

I wrote you a few days ago. Here's a continuation of my thoughts, on a different theme: DEATH.

(1) The implementation of Art 23 could very well spell the beginning of the end of " One Country, Two Systems ", because the good Bishop Joseph Zen has said that the Art 23 is like a bridge, across which the Chinese system can come to Hong Kong and take over. Listen, Regina, to the Wise Old Man, and not to CH, old yes, but certainly not wise enough.

(2) Just as all of us, from the moment of birth, journey inexorably to Death, so has " One Country, Two Systems ", from July 1, 1997, been limping towards The Great Void.

(3) The cause of death is two kinds of cancer-- both highly painful-- one INTERNAL, the other EXTERNAL.

(4) INTERNAL : People like Dr. Leung FOOL-wah, Dr. Raymond Wu, Mr. Leung Jun-ying (the Father of 85000), Jasper, Mr.Lau Kong-wah, the High-achiever of the Year : the high-school dropout Mr. Cheng Yiu-tong, the Bigshot Mr. Tsang Hin-gee etc.etc., who are pathologically determined to out-Malik Malik, the perennial King of the Hong Kong Lefties, by zealously promoting the interests of Beijing at the expense of Hong Kong's. They won't be satisfied until they have successfully turned Hong Kong into Just Another Chinese City.

(5) EXTERNAL : Mr. Jiang Zemin, by his incredible folly of appointing--not once but TWICE-- his protege as the CE of Hong Kong--one who is the Most Overpaid Leader of the Free World and possibly the most inept--has planted the seed of destruction. O What a blunder !

(6) Mr. Tung has two jobs to do: His first job is simple and straightforward :to please his Masters at Beijing unquestioningly. This he has done well.

(7) Mr. Tung's second job is to prove to the whole wide world that Chinese can rule Hong Kong as successfully as the British. Well, on that score, Mr. Tung has singlehandedly transformed in a remarkably short time a Vibrant City into a City of Woes, Demonstrations, Despair and Suicides, to the mirth of Mr. Chris Patten and to the anguish of Mr. Ironface Zhu. Well-done ! Congratulations, CH.

(7) Here I must disrupt my narrative and say a few kind words about Mr. Tung. For years, Mr. Tung (the philanthropist) has been providing tons and truckloads of food for thought for cartoonists, satirists, reporters, writers and columists to amuse avid readers like myself. I salute you, Mr. Tung Chee Hwa : You are greater than Bob Hope, Uncle Milton & Billy Crystal combined !

(8) By selectively listening to the views of his Leftist & fatcat friends and cronies and turning conveniently deaf to other voices, however loud, Mr. Tung seems determined to steamroller the Blue Bill through Legco by July, evidently the deadline set by his Masters. No doubt he is very very confident, as usual, because of lots of help from Jasper, Jimmy, Dr. Leung FOOL-wah, Mr. Law Kong-wah and many others.

(9) But at what personal cost ! Mark me, Regina : History will not treat Mr. Tung kindly. He will assuredly be excoriated by posterity for having betrayed Hong Kong people. You don't want to be in such company, Regina. Stay warned: Was it Sir Thomas More who said that it paid not to win the world and lost one's soul ? What do you hope to gain for helping to thrust this draconian law down our throats ? There isn't enough money in the world.

(10)Very soon--in July, 2003--Taiwan will, no doubt, officially kiss goodbye to " One Country, Two Systems ", that fantasy of Mr. Deng's.

(11) The fact that I am resigned to my Death doesn't mean I don't eat sensibly, exercise, practice yoga, abstain from tobacco and alcohol and stay ckear of hard drugs. In fact, I am doing everything to keep Death at bay for as long as possible.

(12) Similarly, I want Hong Kong to remain AS IS --- though Shanghai-Minus (Sorry Antony!), still proudly distinct from all other Chinese Cities---for as long as possible.

(13) Since the American and British Chambers of Commerce have warned that the enactment of Art 23 will permanently scare away foreign investments and therefore drive Hong Kong into economic Wilderness, never to recover, then the 1997 TURNOVER process will be complete : Hong Kong will finally have transformed itself from the Pearl of the Orient to Just Another Chinese City. Is that what you want to see, Regina ?

(14) That's why I am vehemently against Art 23 legislation UNTIL such time when we have a CE who, a " Puppet of Beijing " no longer, is genuinely respected by the majority of Hong Kong people and the rest of the World, and who truly thinks as Hong Kong citizens do, and does what Hong Kong citizens desire.

Regards,
Peter