

# Hong Kong Strikes Back - West Attempts to Spin Growing Anti-Occupy Movement

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*The tides are turning [against US-funded mobs in the streets of Hong Kong](#) amid the so-called “Occupy Central” protests, as increasingly impatient residents and business owners come out into the streets to confront protesters. At times outnumbering and overwhelming the “Occupy Central” protesters, the movement represents residents, business owners, and by-standers attempting to restore normality to Hong Kong’s streets after the government and police have so far been unable to do so.*



A man threatens pro-democracy protesters in the Kowloon. Photo: AFP

Image: Within articles claiming an ongoing and growing backlash against Occupy Central protesters is led by “triad” gangsters, are pictures of angry residents who are clearly not triad members.

In response, [both US-funded Occupy Central leaders](#) and their backers across the Western media have attempted to claim thousands of anti-Occupy Central protesters are in fact “paid triad” gangsters. In the Sydney Morning Herald’s article, [“Violent mobs with triad links threaten Hong Kong pro-democracy protesters,”](#) it is claimed without evidence that:

Pro-democracy protesters were besieged by violent mobs looking to break up their occupation of one of Hong Kong’s busiest districts on Friday, leading to chaotic skirmishes on city streets, accusations of police bias, and the shelving of negotiations with the government.

Nineteen people were arrested, at least eight of whom had “triad backgrounds”, police said early on Saturday, lending weight to furious accusations from pro-democracy groups that the violence was instigated by

gangs who had been paid to provoke trouble and break up the demonstrations

The Herald fails to cite any evidence confirming these arrests, as well as provide any context to what “triad backgrounds” actually means. Attempting to discredit thousands of anti-Occupy Central protesters as “triads” using nebulous and baseless accusations equates to overt propaganda. Worst yet, the Herald’s own article featured an AFP photo of anti-Occupy Central protesters – middle-aged and elderly men most likely business owners and local residents – but clearly not “triads.”



Image: Triad gangsters across Chinese society including mainland China, Hong Kong, and Singapore, generally sport large conspicuous tattoos on their upper bodies, are young, and very easy to spot, even when they attempt to blend in when attempting to put their days of organized crime behind them. In Singapore particularly, public awareness campaigns ask employers not to judge former triad members on their appearances. It is unlikely that thousands of “triads” could come out onto the streets of Hong Kong and the Western press failed to capture any pictures of them – meaning their claims of “tirades” confronting Occupy Central protesters is a fabrication.

So conditioned is the ordinary reader of Western newspapers that headlines directly contradicted by the content of the article as well as accompanying pictures goes unnoticed. However, for a growing number of increasingly astute segments of the global public, such discrepancies are beginning to stand out with startling conspicuity.

They myriad of growing lies surrounding the US-engineered chaos in Hong Kong’s streets is but one part of [a much larger, long-term campaign to contain, co-opt, or collapse China’s political order](#), and replace it once again with Balkanized colonial proxies.

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