

National Endowment for Democracy (NED) "Pulling the Strings" in Hong Kong

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According to a report by NewsHub, a so-called "offshoot of the CIA" was involved in engineering the protest movement in Hong Kong. The report which quotes French author Maxime Vivas states that the Washington based National Endowment for Democracy (NED) has been "pulling the strings" since the outbreak of the riots in June:

...French writer **Maxime Vivas** said the interference from the US has played an indispensable role in exacerbating the situation in Hong Kong.

In addition to blatantly meddling with China's internal affairs by passing the "democracy" Bill on Hong Kong, the US has also secretly patronised the rioters, according to Vivas.

"I have checked who was the patron of the Hong Kong rioters and it turned out to be the US National Endowment for Democracy. This organisation is actually a US Central Intelligence Agency offshoot in disguise," he said.

"I have been closely following the developments of the situation, to find out that the organisation is still active in Hong Kong. We have evidence for all these facts. Look at Hong Kong, these rioters are armed, wearing masks, this is unbelievable. Some media said they are supporters of 'democracy', in fact they are violent criminals targeting police officers." (NewsHub, December 1, 2019)

This report broadly confirms several earlier reports. The role of the NED has been known since 2014. According to <u>Tony Cartalucci</u> (October 2014)

In the streets of downtown Hong Kong, a dwindling number of protesters carry on in vain. They hold a city and region hostage in attempts to carry out yet another US-funded and directed "color revolution." The ruse, however, has been fully exposed with each and every leader of the so-called "Occupy Central" or "Umbrella Movement" being tied to the US State Department's now familiar network of political subversion. Stalled and unable to materialize the momentum needed to replicate the success of foreign-backed subversion elsewhere, the US is now attempting to disavow any role in fostering the unrest in the first place.

The US NED website now has a page dedicated to disavowing evidence it is behind "Occupy Central." Titled, "The National Endowment for Democracy and support for democracy in Hong Kong," NED claims...

In a recent article, <u>Kevin Zeese and Margaret Flowers</u>, describe the **Hong Kong Protests** as an anti-China tool

What is happening in Hong Kong is not actually a people's uprising for

democracy, but a tool for anti-China rhetoric and "Great Power Conflict." Many Hong Kong protesters are pro-capitalist and racist in nature, referring to mainland Chinese as locusts, and are calling for the United States to intervene. Many of the same tactics employed by Venezuelan, Nicaraguan, and Ukrainian regime change operations are re-appearing in Hong Kong.

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