

US Dirty Hands All Over Hong Kong Violence and Chaos?

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The UN Charter and other international laws are clear and unequivocal.

No nation may legally interfere in the internal affairs of others for any reasons at any time — except in self-defense if attacked.

The US hasn't been attacked by another nation since December 7, 1941 — or threatened by any since WW II ended.

Facing no enemies today, they're invented as pretexts for its policymakers to pursue their imperial aims — seeking unchallenged global dominance, wanting all nations transformed into US vassal states, their resources plundered, their people exploited.

Endless wars, color revolutions, and old-fashioned coups are their favored tactics, targeting nonbelligerent nations the US doesn't control, threatening no one.

What's ongoing in Hong Kong replicates US color revolution attempts against targeted countries since first aimed at Belgrade, Serbia in 2000.

There's nothing spontaneous about these disruptive eruptions when occur.

They're planned and orchestrated in the US, directing local proxies, the CIA, anti-democratic National Endowment for Democracy, and likely other US agencies involved.

Make no mistake. Trump regime hardliners are waging escalated war on China by other means.

Tactics include weaponized trade, tariffs and sanctions war, provocative Pentagon incursions near Chinese waters, weapons sales to Taiwan, and targeting China's soft Hong Kong underbelly, wanting the country destabilized.

Over the weekend, Hong Kong protesters escalated violence further, throwing bricks and firebombs, setting a police barrier protecting a government building ablaze.

Overnight Saturday, the city's financial district was gripped by running street battles, police countering orchestrated violence with tear gas and water cannons.

A police statement denounced "radical protesters (for throwing) corrosives and petrol bombs, (posing a) serious threat" to everyone nearby.

So far, Beijing has been reluctant to overreact, letting city authorities handle things, perhaps not for much longer.

Its authorities are well aware of US dirty hands behind what's been ongoing for months, Hong Kong wracked by endless violence and chaos, restoring calm to the city essential.

On Saturday, China's official People's Daily broadsheet published several pieces, denouncing "outrageous violence and disruptions...radical demonstrators" involved, adding:

"(R)adical forces...attacked journalists...travelers, (and) police officers," US politicians and media supporting them — the broadsheet calling "US interference in Hong Kong affairs intolerable."

Earlier, US House Speaker **Nancy Pelosi** was way out of line, saying Hong Kong protests are "a beautiful sight to behold."

After reunification with China, Hong Kong (1997) and Macau (1999) were granted a high degree of autonomy for 50 years as special administrative regions (SARs).

They're responsible for their domestic affairs alone, including executive, legislative, and judicial independence from the mainland while being Chinese territory.

Hong Kong Basic Law stipulates that Beijing is responsible for foreign affairs and defense. The city's future belongs to China, transitioning until 2047 when its autonomy ends.

The People's Daily said Beijing supports Hong Kong's SAR government, along with actions by police to restore order.

Failure to curb violence encourages more of it. What began in March turned violent in June, especially in recent weeks.

The People's Daily said

"kidnapping HK's future (violently) should not be tolerated." It called "radical protesters no different than terrorists...engag(ing) in all kinds of illegal and violent activities."

Restoring normality to the city is vital. Should Beijing intervene directly, a dilemma confronting its authorities!

Since early June, protests became violent, showing no signs of abating, things escalating.

So far, Beijing let city police handle things, hoping energy behind what's going on would wane, intervening only rhetorically.

If violence in city streets continues much longer, its authorities may request mainland intervention by the People's Armed Police or People's Liberation Army to restore order.

No nations anywhere tolerate unrest, disorder, rioting, or violence without intervening to quell it.

Key for Beijing and Hong Kong authorities is doing enough to end what's going on without going too far.

They don't want to discourage foreign investment or harm local business interests more

than already.

But if violent protests continue unchecked, there's risk they could spread to the mainland — what bipartisan hardliners in Washington may have in mind.

A Final Comment

How would Washington respond if foreign hands stoked violence in a US city, maybe its New York financial hub?

They'd be blood in the streets and mass arrests for sure, no holds barred.

Perhaps Pentagon forces would join local police to restore normality if things escalated to how Hong Kong is affected.

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