

# Open letter to Himalaya Global

At the 31st anniversary of the Tiananmen Square Massacre on June 4 in 1989, as the whole world was mourning for it, Mr. Miles Kwok (Guo Wengui) announced his vision for the New Federal State of China in the future.

We support and admire Mr. Miles Kwok's resolution and endeavor to overthrow the Communist Party of China, which not only oppresses the Chinese people and is also a great threat to the world peace.

However, Mr. Miles Kwok formulated in the name of Himalaya Global to enable the Chinese people to vote along with the Taiwanese people to determine the future of Taiwan. This is absolutely what we cannot accept.

Taiwan has never been part of the territory of the China proper in history. China had occupied Taiwan as late as in the Qing dynasty as the last foreign conquest regime but then China ceded Taiwan to Japan in the Treaty of Shimonoseki in 1895. If Taiwan could have been classified as the territory of the China proper, in this absurd standard, all the maps of European countries have to be redrawn.

After World War II, Taiwan had been ruled nearly 40 years under martial law and has attained liberty and democracy through the sacrifice of numerous forerunners. The concept that sovereignty belongs to the people has deeply rooted in Taiwan. Taiwan's sovereignty belongs to all the residents of Taiwan and does not belong to China. Similarly, the people of England have no rights to participate in the independence and self-determination of Scotland. Spaniards have no rights to vote in the independence referendum of Catalonia. Furthermore, the People's Republic of China as the regime of China has never governed Taiwan. Consequently, Taiwan has become a well respected democratic country. Only the residents of Taiwan have the right to determine the future of Taiwan.

Among the residents in Taiwan (archipelagos of Formosa and Pescadores,) more than 83% identified themselves as Taiwanese and less than 5% identified themselves as Chinese. To all the proponents for the democratization of China, we call for a clear recognition of the separation of treatment between Taiwan and China. After the democratization of China, Taiwan and China can have a friendly international relationship just like that between the United States of America and Britain. Taiwan, China on both side of Taiwan straits are two different country. It is the basic knowledge and also an undeniable fact. This constitutes the fundamental respect for Taiwanese people by all the people who pursue liberty and democracy.

Let those who share the universal values of democracy and freedom work together with solidarity.

We look forward to the early success of the democratization movement of China!

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