

Kissinger backs the Beijing dictatorship

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On Aug. 2, Chinese student movement leader Wu'er Kaixi gave Henry Kissinger a new title in his speech at the University of Maryland: "Kissinger—the friend of the Chinese dictatorship." Wu'er Kaixi said that in the past he had believed that Kissinger had opened up the door to China because he was a friend of the Chinese people. He now realizes that Kissinger is only a friend of the Chinese dictatorship. Wu'er Kaixi criticized Kissinger's recent article in the *Washington Post* as shameful. He openly challenged Kissinger to a debate, and said that he is ready to confront to him face-to-face.

Wu'er Kaixi correctly described Kissinger's position as showing that he is a friend of the Chinese dictatorship. That is exactly the way to describe Kissinger. Since the Tiananmen Square massacre, Kissinger has been the only one who has been trying to defend the Deng-Li-Yang criminal group, among academics, the news media, and politicians. He opposed any sanctions to punish this fascist regime. Such is Kissinger.

Chinese-Americans and Chinese from all over the world will not forget that this was Kissinger's attitude even before Tiananmen Square. When Kissinger bowed his head to Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai in order to establish diplomatic relations with the U.S., he did not do so with any regard toward the welfare of the Chinese people. Kissinger is the key figure who should take the blame for the Indochinese peninsula falling into Communist hands. Despite the fact that he knew that the North Vietnamese government had no credibility, he negotiated with them and signed the Paris peace agreement—all in order to force the U.S. Army to withdraw. Consequently, the Indochinese peninsula fell into Communist hands. Millions of people were forced to float onto the sea, many of them dying trying to escape to freedom. Those who survive will never forget Henry Kissinger.

The great democratic movement of Beijing ended in slaughter. Nonetheless, Kissinger wrote several articles and gave several interviews to the news media ignoring the facts. We have to admire his bravery in ignoring these facts. Facing a world critical of the P.R.C.'s bloody repression, Kissinger

did his best to defend these butchers. Why? When he dumped Taiwan and Indochina, he used the pretext of the "interests of the United States" as his reason. But how can he explain himself today, regarding the slaughter of these democratic martyrs in Beijing? Is he acting as a P.R.C. lobbyist, or is he simply trying to make profits for his own company, all the while forgetting U.S. national interests?

In his *Washington Post* article of July 30, "China: Push for Reform, Not Rupture," Kissinger opposed President Bush's taking further punitive sanctions against the P.R.C. Kissinger said that he believed that the U.S. Congress resolution to punish the P.R.C. was much too much. He stated that there is no previous case like this. He said, "I cannot recall U.S. sanctions invoked against a major world power in reaction to events entirely within its domestic jurisdiction." That's fine, Mr. Kissinger. You are on the Deng-Li-Yang clique's side. You are simply using the excuse of not interfering in "domestic affairs" in order to coverup massacres, arrests, and atrocities, and also to deny the international community the right to condemn the massacre, based on human rights.

Kissinger says in his article, "No government in the world would have tolerated having the main square of its capital occupied for eight weeks by tens of thousands of demonstrators who blocked the area in front of the main government building." Kissinger claims that the peaceful students, workers, and citizens of Beijing had "occupied" the square, and that therefore repression was justified. Yet even Kissinger said of this repression that "its brutality was shocking—even more so were the trials and Stalin-style propaganda that followed." Still, Kissinger agrees repression is necessary. Kissinger's use of such indirect explanations makes him into an accomplice of the murderers.

Kissinger still has that old stinky "China card" thinking. He sees U.S. security as tied to that of the P.R.C., and thinks that he can use the P.R.C. against Russia. He doesn't realize that the international situation has changed. Because of its economic problems, the Soviet Union has carried olive branches to the world. Within China, people are demanding changes. Kissinger's China card is out of date. We just can't agree with Kissinger's formulations, which are motivated out of his concern with increasing the profits of Kissinger Associates. We can't follow him in hugging and kissing Deng, Li, and Yang.

Kissinger's tired voice can no longer receive any major response in the U.S. Today, the U.S. Congress, state and local governments, and the Chinese-American community have joined in one voice to condemn the P.R.C. government. The testimony of Chinese exiles in Europe and throughout the world proves that Kissinger is a liar. The only echo of Kissinger's voice is that of the P.R.C. ambassador to the U.S., Han Xu. The wave of the democratic movement will engulf Kissinger's name together with that of Deng, Li, and Yang.