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CHINA DEFEATS CORONAVIRUS IN 60 DAYS AND BUILDS GLOBAL SANITARY SILK ROAD. WHAT'S NEXT?

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1. Trump defeated, Xi triumphs

When Donald Trump poisonously praised President Xi's efforts to contain the COVID-19 coronavirus in China, he did not know that his words would soon come back to haunt him. "President Xi is strong, insightful, and totally focused on conducting the Coronavirus counterattack... There is great discipline in China and President Xi is effectively running what will be a very successful operation ...", he said in his usual demagoguery. He downplayed the danger of COVID-19 in the United States by claiming that seasonal flu kills far more Americans than coronavirus and that "life and the economy go on".

Last week, Trump was forced to declare a national emergency, authorize an economic rescue package of more than \$900 billion, activate the National Guard and place all of Europe under quarantine. In Europe, whose death toll has already surpassed that of the whole of Asia, the President of the European Commission, the German Ursula von der Leyen, used the same Trump newspeak to hide the cynical negligence and operational inability of their governments, saying that the European Union leaders "underestimated" the magnitude of the virus's danger. Thus, while the American Union entered into a "national emergency" and the European Union closed its borders in panic, China shut down its 16 emergency hospitals in the epidemiological epicenter of Wuhan, reporting zero cases of infection in that epicenter and building a global Sanitary Silk Road with socialist characteristics.

2. Great success of the Chinese model

Faced with Trump's lies, which he himself calls "truthful hyperbole, an innocent form of exaggeration and a very effective form of promotion," Xi responded at the time with great measure and dignity, stating that the Communist Party of China (CCP) was "fully capable" of stopping the epidemic and that he was waging "a people's war" against evil, with "national

mobilization" and "very strict prevention and control measures".

Today, that the epidemic is effectively defeated (in its expansive force) in China and that the country's counter-epidemic strategy has shown that it is the only effective paradigm to control that pandemic danger, Xi's worthy response to Trump's imperialist marketing has turned into an incontrovertible empirical truth. And conveys to the country's socialist governance system and Xi Jinping's leadership justified pride and glory.

3. The keys to triumph

Governing the most effective state of contemporary global society, Xi had plenty of reasons to be confident. He correctly assumed, that the synergy of the coordinated effort of the State, the Party and the people, guided by the materialistic dialectic science of the 21st century and supported by the extraordinary advances of the organization and technology of the country – 5G robots, hospital rooms printed in 3D, a digital monetary system based on QR codes, artificial intelligence, etc. — guaranteed the victory of the "people's war" against the pathogen. The very rapid sequencing of COVID-19 by Dr. Wang Jianwei of the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences through next generation sequencing (NGS), less than three months after the outbreak of the epidemic; building fully equipped hospitals with 1000 beds in ten days (!); organizing the survival logistics for 11 million people quarantined in the city of Wuhan and of 60 million in Hubei province; announcing recently the first phase of clinical trials with a recombinant vaccine, as well as the massive industrial production of the effective Japanese drug Favipiravir (T-705, Toyama Chemical Co, Tokyo) and the zero infection rate of the last week in Wuhan are irrefutable global evidence of the vanguard position of Chinese Socialism in the war on the pathogen.

4. Chinese Science for the World

In the theoretical journal *Qiushi*, whose name means "seeking truth from facts" (*shí shì qiú shì*,

实事求是), President Xi succinctly explains the keys to Chinese success, the tasks of the future, and a global commitment to sharing knowledge and paradigmatic experiences with all countries around the world. It is obvious that the scientific axiom of “seeking truth from facts”, which has oriented Chinese society for thousands of years and was “repotentiated” by the “New Democratic Revolution” (Mao Zedong) of 1949 and marxism-based development, does not have the same conductive cultural strength in other countries. And it is also evident, that there is no state in the global system, which has the efficacy of CCP-led China, the high level of education and the stability of Chinese families. Yet, despite of these particular features, the world’s governments and peoples can benefit from China’s great social and scientific effort and sacrifice and its supportive offering to share its anti-epidemic know-how for the sake of “a common destiny for the benefit of all humanity” (Xi).

5. Chinese Solidarity for the World

That the “shared future of all humanity” is not a mere rhetorical foreign policy figure is shown in the facts: 250,000 masks and four epidemiological experts were sent to Iran, where Trump’s criminal sanctions aggravate the health crisis public; 100,000 high-tech masks, two million ordinary masks, a thousand lung ventilators, a total of 31 metric tons, and a team of experts were dispatched to Italy; Madrid received a shipment with 8 million masks and 100,000 reagents; 1 million surgical gloves and masks were dispatched to France; South Korea was supported with over a million masks and other medical supplies; 5,000 protective suits and 100,000 masks went to Japan; 12,000 diagnostic kits to Pakistan; 300,000 masks to Belgium; 1000 quick test kits to Serbia. Last but not least, the first shipment of 500,000 diagnostic kits and one million protective masks to California, donated by billionaire Jack Ma, was delivered from Shanghai recently.

6. New York wants nationalization

New York’s millionaire mayor, Bill De Blasio, publicly criticized the Trump administration for its inoperability and lack of diagnostic kits, fans, masks, ECMOs and other protective equipment, in the American Union. We are in a wartime scenario with a Mar-a-Lago attitude being used by the federal government, declared the mayor of the most powerful center of global capitalism and demanded –overtaking “democratic socialist” Bernie Sanders on the left— “the nationalization of factories that can produce the medical supplies we need.” In other words: the mayor of the financial capital metrópoli of the world understands,

that only the effectiveness of a Chinese socialist state can sway the catastrophe produce by the inoperability of the neoliberal lumpen-capitalist state.

However, not even the critique of the mayor has changed the situación. Two days ago de Blasio said on CBSNew York televisión, that he believes, New York City is ten days away from widespread shortages of medical equipment including “really fundamental supplies” like ventilators and surgical masks. “We’re not getting shipments. We’re not getting the stuff we need... If we don’t get more ventilators in the next 10 days, people will die who don’t have to die. It’s as simple as that.”

7. Washington’s Criminal Negligence

New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo compared Trump’s neoliberal government’s cynical negligence vis-a-vis COVID-19 with neoliberal President George Bush’s criminal laissez faire government style towards Hurricane Katrina. In Cuomo’s words, Trump’s failed epidemiological policy “is the public health version of Hurricane Katrina.” “We knew that this (the H.D. epidemic) was happening in November and December. We saw China. China did about 200,000 tests a day. South Korea conducted about 15,000 tests per day. The United States has only conducted about 5,000 tests to date,” Cuomo said in a devastating public critique of Trump. He’s right. Massive and systematic scrutiny, along with immediate quarantine, is the most important variable in the battle to defeat COVID-19. Trump and the rest of the plutocratic power elite of the imperialist Empire only think about the protection of the stock markets, not about the people. Capitalist social darwinism at its worst.

8. European Union’s delinquent Negligence

Cuomo’s criticism, of course, is valid for Italy, Spain and the entire European Union. Since the emergence of the virus in China, experts from chinese and international institutions have endlessly stressed, that the systematic and forceful action of the Chinese state in the first phase of the epidemic was the decisive element in containing it. But, caught up in their anti-communist-class ideology and function, their racist attitude towards China and the incessant global psychological warfare of their capitalist NATO media apparatuses, they fell prey to their own lies about the alleged violations of human rights in China by the quarantine of Hubei Province.

Now, their citizens are paying the price of their government neglect, operational ineptitude and ideological attitude of cold war, which have left these European countries without logistical preparation or strategic forecast in the face of the pandemic. They

acted with the cynicism typical of neoliberal *laissez faire*, the lies of bourgeois democracy and blaming China for the so-called “Wuhan Virus”. Now, overcome by the reality of the pandemic, they are looking for someone to blame for the disaster and stay in power, alternatively slandering China and Russia and acting on the logic of socialdarwinism; knowing that the rich will have adequate hospital care by 21st century medical standards, while the poor will die from lack of doctors, beds, equipment and resources.

9. U. S. Psychological Warfare operation against China

In the face of the tsunami of criticism of Trump, which may cost him the presidential election, and in the face of the enormous economic cost to global capitalism — unlike China, whose GDP will grow again this year between 5 and 6 % — the governments of the Atlantic bourgeoisie accuse China of having “started a global pandemic” (State Department). Trump himself insists with his usual ignorance and malice that talking about the “Chinese virus” is a “very adequate” way to refer to COVID-19.

Now, a psychological warfare guide from the U. S. National Security Council, obtained by the Daily Beast, demonstrates, that the propaganda attack on China is a concerted Goebbels-inspired disinformation campaign by the neofascist Trump government. One section of the cable reads “NSC Top Lines: [People’s Republic of China] Propaganda and Disinformation on the Wuhan Virus Pandemic.” “Chinese Communist Party officials in Wuhan and Beijing had a special responsibility to inform the Chinese people and the world of the threat, since they were the first to learn of it,” the cable reads. “Instead, the... government hid news of the virus from its own people for weeks, while suppressing information and punishing doctors and journalists who raised the alarm. The Party cared more about its reputation than its own people’s suffering.”

The heinous lies of the Trump government become even more cynical in the light of a recent Washington Post article, which reveals, that United States intelligence agencies were warning President Donald Trump about an impending pandemic as early as January. The agencies were giving Trump classified briefings on the matter at the same time that the president “was publicly downplaying the risk of the novel coronavirus and insisting the US was well prepared to handle the outbreak”. “The system was blinking red,” one US official with access to the intelligence told The Post. Agencies “have been warning on this since January.” “Donald Trump may not have been expecting this, but a lot of other people

in the government were — they just couldn’t get him to do anything about it,” the official added.

10. Biological warfare or natural event?

By geopolitically labeling the phenomenon, Trump is trying to win the “blame game” and the november elections, adding one more lie to the 17,000 fake news he has produced over the past three years, according to the Washington Post Fact Checker.

Of the about 1450 known human pathogens, nearly two-thirds are zoonotic. That is, transmitted via an animal-human interface. As long as this interface and the “patient zero” (first patient infected) are unknown, there is no way to scientifically identify the place of origin of COVID-19. Hence, Beijing’s argument that there is no evidence to show that the pathogen’s place of origin is Wuhan and that the virus was possibly introduced last October by a US military delegation to that city, is absolutely valid. Indeed, China could argue a very strong forensic hypothesis based on circumstantial evidence, which would satisfy, *inter alia*, the aspects of motive (*cui bono*), intentionality and historical background. For space reasons we mention only some forensic backgrounds widely documented by American scientists.

11. Biological warfare experiments in New York subway

From 1949 to 1969, the United States conducted at least 239 experiments on a “germ war testing program”, which used bacteria to simulate biological weapons and were conducted on civilians without their knowledge or consent. All of these bacteria are “considered pathogens now”. In one of the experiments on “The Vulnerability of Subway Passengers in New York City for the Covert Attack with Biological Agents,” secret agents broke bulbs filled with nearly 175 grams of *Bacillus subtilis* bacteria, approximately 87 trillions of organisms in each, and then measured their spread through the subway tunnels and trains. The clouds enveloped people as the trains drove away, but they didn’t suspect anything. As a result of this experiment, army scientists concluded that it took four to 13 minutes for train passengers to be exposed to the bacteria. Five minutes after the bacteria were released at the 23rd Street station, the bacteria could be detected at every station between 14th and 59th Streets, according to the report. Between June 6 and June 10, they estimated that more than one million people were exposed. (See Leonard Cole, *Clouds of Secrecy: The Army’s Germ Warfare Tests Over Populated Areas*.)

In July last year, the primary U.S. public health system control institution, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), banned the U.S.

military's largest biological warfare center in Fort Detrick, Maryland, from continuing their work on the deadliest "select" pathogens, such as Ebola and anthrax, among others, because a CDC inspection found serious flaws in the sterilization system of the used materials (sic).

12. What will happen in Latin America?

The only country in Latin America that has an effective system of government similar to China's, and which has the experiences of strategic planning, mass organization, educational level, public health system and comparable scientific logistics, mutatis mutandis, to China, is Cuba. It also has the geographical advantage of being an island and of not playing any significant role in the world trade system. The impact of the pandemic on the island will therefore be comparatively low.

Unfortunately, the same cannot be said of other Latin American countries, because they are following the same fatal *laissez faire*, *laissez passer* strategy used by the inept European and North American governments, rather than emulating China's successful experience.

Latin American people will pay the costs in terms of sick and dead victims of this cynical negligence of their governments. However, cynicism of the bourgeois ruling elites comes with a price. Those governments who ignore the preventive and therapeutic scientific evidence of pandemic control, but seek to reassure the people and middle classes with populist phrases and, perhaps, the "strength of faith", will be removed from their public functions through elections, intra-elite dissent, military ultimatums or mass social protests.

The fact that, in the face of this danger of removal, even the neoliberal cynics Trump and Bolsonaro are beginning to reconfigure their cynical minimisation and improvisation strategies, must make all the social democratic governments of Latin America, particularly in Mexico, reflect.

Unfortunately, they don't seem to understand, that with their mismanagement of COVID-19 they are putting their own political fate on the line!

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