

The Shadow of Modernity

How China is Generating "Noises."

—Mengfei Li, April 1st, 2019



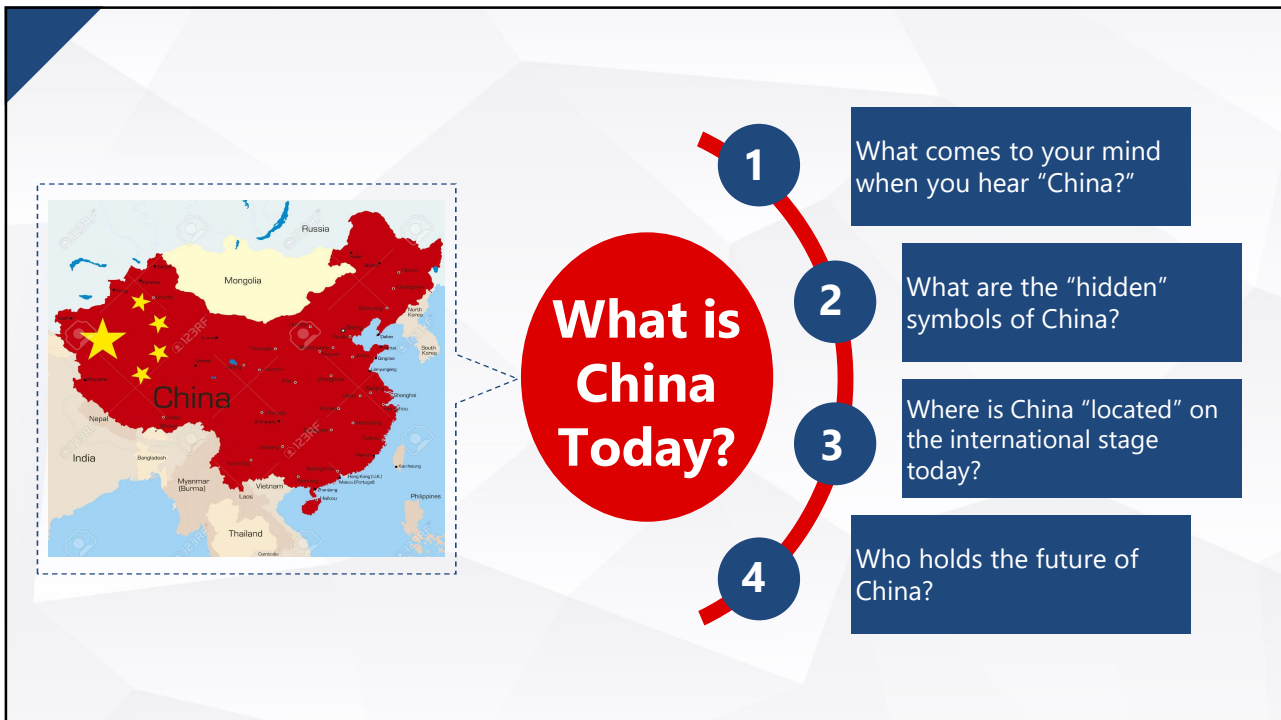
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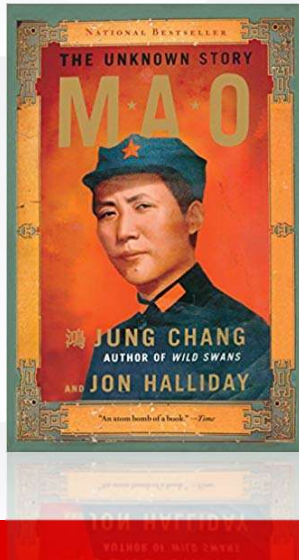
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THE LESSONS

- ◆ China was founded on Oct. 1st, 1949 by Mao Ze Dong. His administration consisted of "patriots & the royals"
- ◆ Mao's establishment centered around the Communism philosophy, and its practicality was implemented by Mao and his cronies.
- ◆ Zhou En Lai - First Prime Minister who strategically embraced the foreign impact and bridged the gaps.
- ◆ Deng Xiao Ping was the ground-breaker for "Western Integration." His initiatives shaped the nation: Turning skills into opportunities.
- ◆ Xi Jin Ping, the international icon, transforms China into "irresistible" focus.

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The Triangle Love



- ◆ Mao, Stalin, and Lenin
- ◆ Communism Roots
- ◆ Mao's uprising and defamation
- ◆ Haunted by Mao

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The Engine of Collective Identity

Younger generations are making "noises."

Religious Impact and its transformation

Economic Shift - Unquenchable Desires for Economic Boom

Millennials promotes internet and technology "trends."

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Technology and Science in China

How the millennials are
"rocking" the fields?



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The China Dream

How to understand the dreams, and making the dreams come true.



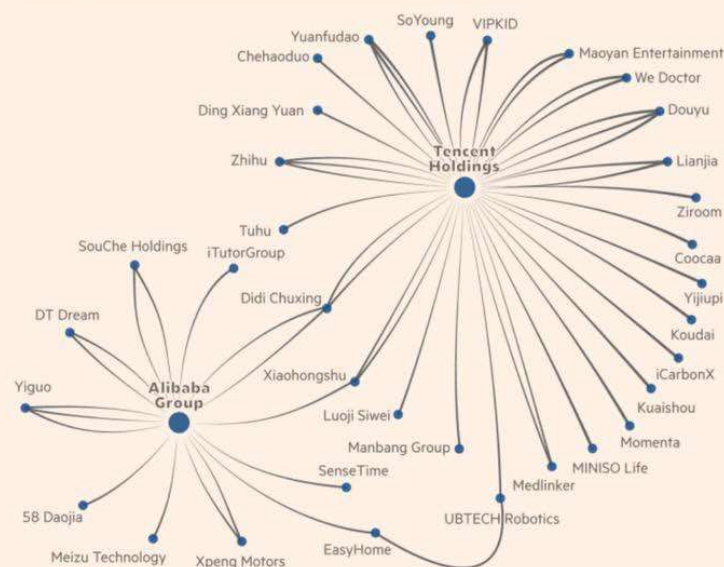
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Xi's Dream and His Blessings

- 1.6 Billion Citizens lead to 1.6 billion patriots
- Turning apprenticeship to mastery
- Collective Identity - The World sees China as _____.
- Chinese Confucius Institutes: Language, Culture, Philosophy
- Resources Ownership and Territorial Mapping - South China Sea
- Keep foes and friends "closer."

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Tencent and Alibaba investments in Chinese unicorns

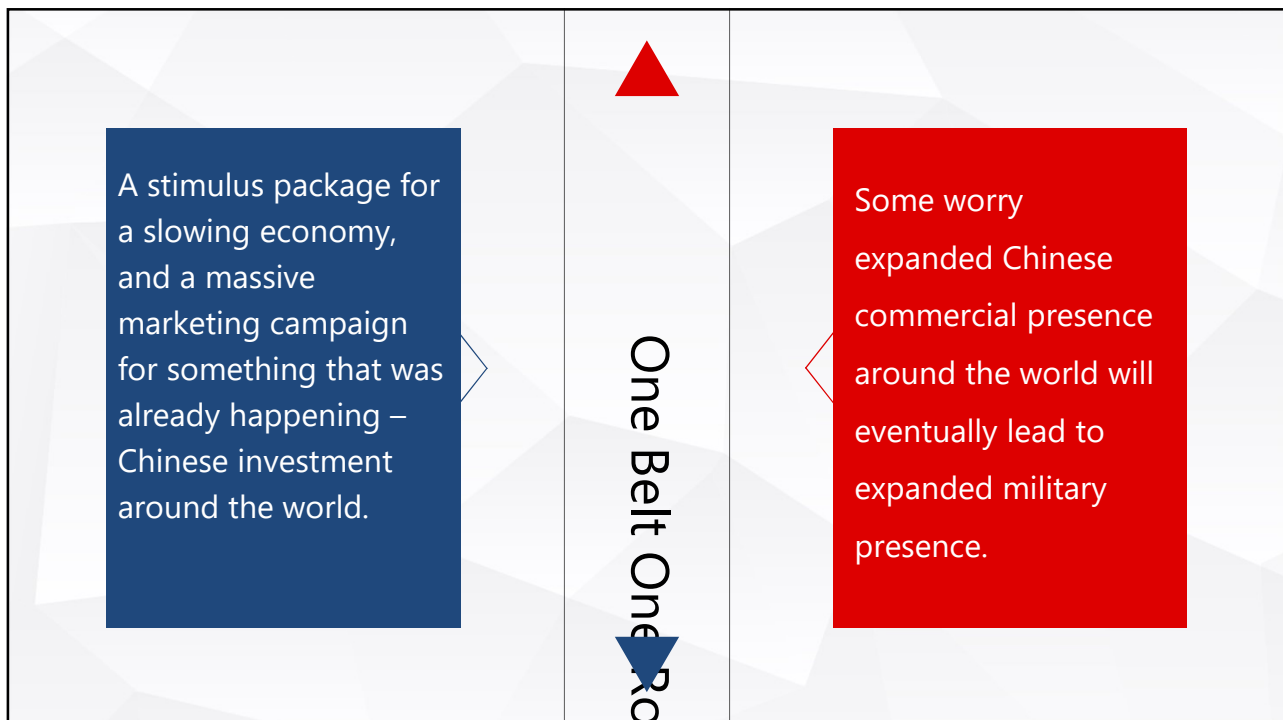


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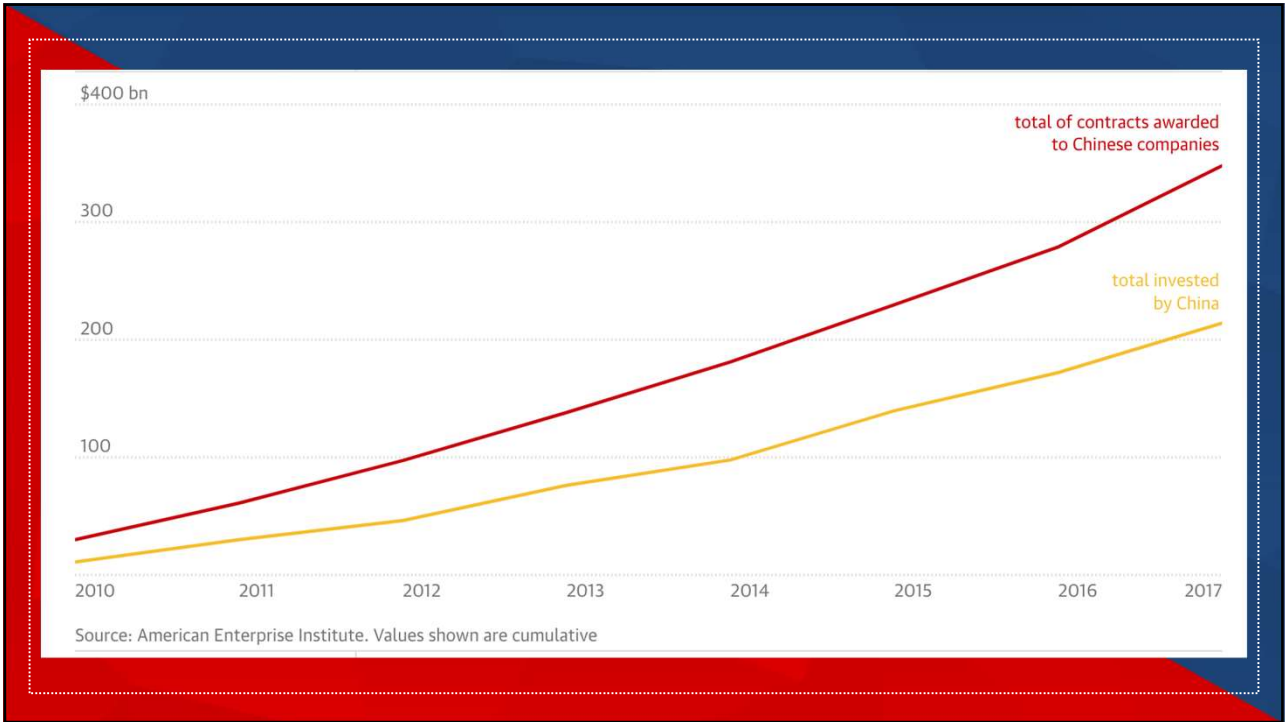
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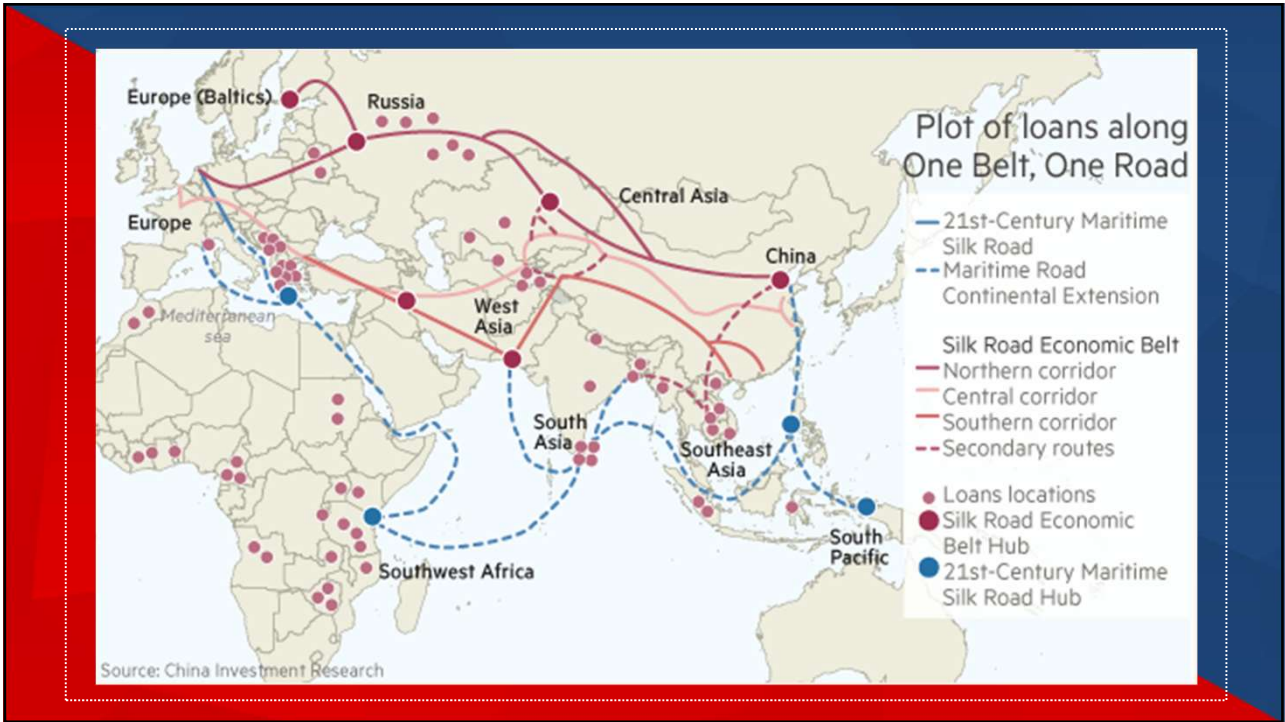
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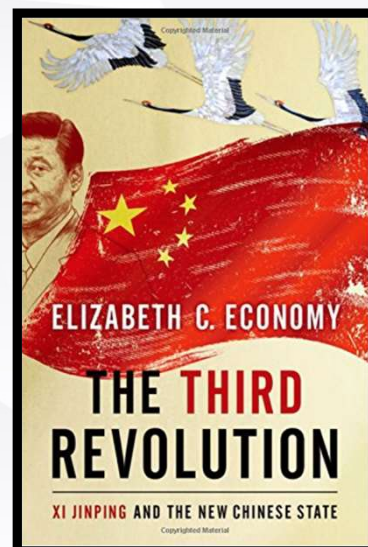
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Xi's Poker Face

- Xi's dream is to revolutionize the Chinese economy
- China's growth challenges the current status quo
- "Don't cross the line" policy
- China's economy has shown a slowing but stabilizing trend in the last two months, and that it was still driven overall by domestic demand



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What's Your Beef?



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New Interpretation

►Trump:

"Making America Great Again" - Middle Class Economy, Religious Freedom, Domestic Policy vs. International Unification, Military Infrastructure.

►Obama:

The American dream — the idea that in this country anyone can rise from humble beginnings and succeed — is deeply woven into our national psyche.

What does these mean indeed?

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Trade War-win, lose?



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Read Between the Lines

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"In 2018, Trump announced on \$200 billion worth of Chinese goods and China's \$60 billion in retaliatory tariffs on U.S. goods. The U.S. tariffs would rise to higher percentage soon if Beijing does not offer concessions."

New York Times, 2018

"Higher tariffs would have both positive and negative effects for the country imposing them. Consumers would face higher costs as the prices of imported goods reflect the higher tariffs."

New York Times, 2018

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Voices of China



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