The modern Olympic Games were the brainchild of Baron Pierre de Coubertin. First held in Athens, Greece in 1896, they attempted to revive the true spirit of Greek antiquity, and spark the universal brotherhood of mankind through athletic competition. Holding the Games in Communist China will be a supreme challenge to that purpose.

A TOXIC SHROUD

The Beijing Olympics Games have been designed to showcase the emergence of China as a global power. China is determined to use the Games to shed its sense of inferiority that has plagued it since Western treaty ports dotted its China Sea coastline in the early 20th century. To insure the success of the Games, which are scheduled to open on the numerological significant date of August 8, 2008 at precisely 8:08 PM, China has budgeted over $40 billion on stadia, airport, and subway improvements, more than twice what Greece spent three years ago. Sponsors have already pledged over 1.5 billion dollars and President George Bush has accepted Beijing’s invitation to the Games for sports and not for any political statement. Contrary to the hopes of the president, it is unlikely the Games will open the country to freedom and democracy.

Beijing is taking no chances that Mother Nature will rain on its parade. The director of the Beijing Office of Weather Management is experimenting with chemical-laced rockets to control the weather the way the CCP controls its people. Beijing does not intend to allow its people to spoil their planned success. In the words of Harvard professor Ross Terrill China also plans to rely on its Orwellian impulse to remake the truth by eliminating Chinglish, a fractured form of Chinese malapropism that has caused its urban leaders much embarrassment. The most risible example is a hotel brochure that encouraged its patrons to Take advantage of the chambermaid. For the upcoming Games, the government plans to ban from the city disabled people, Falun Gong practitioners, dark-skinned villagers, AIDs activists and other troublemakers, who might smudge their canvass of harmony.

Inclement weather and fractured English are not China’s most vexing problems. Its pollution is the most serious problem facing the estimated influx of 10,000 athletes and well over a half million visitors to the Olympics. A 1000 new cars each day fill the skies with what the August 26th New York Times described as a toxic gray shroud that has made it difficult to see even Beijing’s tallest buildings.

While the economy is on an historic run, posting a succession of double-digit growth rates, it derives from a staggering expansion of heavy industry that has required colossal inputs of energy, almost all of it from dirty coal, its most available source. The Chinese coastline is swamped by algae red tides, acid rain runs down on its Asian neighbors, and chemical explosions have severely damaged the environment. China’s poisonous fumes kill over 300,000 Chinese every year.

DEADLY IMPORTS

All of China’s internal problems have not dampened the initial enthusiasm for the Beijing Games. Some Americans are already sporting lapel pins with the Chinese red flag and the US flag united in Olympic brotherhood. Few realize that the red flag has symbolized leftist revolutionary fervor since the early 19th century. Americans should also see it as an ominous sign, especially with regard to Chinese exports to the United States. First discovered in pets, there have been a series of frightening reports about the toxicity of Chinese produced goods that have flooded the United States’ domestic market.

This has warranted nearly daily recalls of a variety of products from China, including toothpaste, pet food, and toys. There are also signs that auto tires made in China suffer from the same kind of poor quality assurance that have affected its food and toy production. While designed to last 40,000 miles, their durability has been much less and they lose air pressure, which can dangerously impact American highway safety.

In July the Federal Drug Administration warned that nearly a million tubes of Colgate toothpaste might contain diethylene glycol, or DEG, typically found in anti-freeze. There are strong suspicions that China consciously mixed an industrial chemical called melamine, a by-product of pesticides that is also used to make plastics into pet food and animal feed imported by US companies and sold here under over a 100 different brand names.

According to the cover story in The New American for August 20, 2007, Beijing has cornered the US vitamin market. There
have been traces of arsenic, lead, and iron found in discount products containing Vitamin C. China also exports about 12% of the world’s global trade in fruit and vegetables, much of it to the U.S. The FDA has curbed the sale of five different types of seafood farmed in China because it has been found to have traces of salmonella and a carcinogen called nitrofurazan. In May of 2007 the FDA warned Americans to avoid imported seafood, labeled as *monkfish* because a Chinese exporter had mislabeled puffer fish, which contains deadly toxins. Fish now have to prove to be free of toxic and antibiotic substances.

Because of China’s pattern of standards abuse, there needs to be a more coordinated effort from American safety and health regulatory agencies in scrutinizing Chinese imports. China’s blatant disregard for human safety has prompted some members of Congress to demand a stoppage of Chinese imports until Beijing complies with international safety standards. While products *made in China* used to mean *cheap*, they now can mean *deadly*. In response Beijing has *promised to reform its policies*.

**CHINESE BANDITS**

Every new week seems to undercover another safety or health violation from the Chinese economy, leading to grave concerns about unscrupulous Chinese, who cut corners, exporting cheap and unsafe materials to unsuspecting countries.

There should be little surprise that this has happened. China’s Communist government has consistently shown its obvious disregard for human standards and business ethics. Their firms have been counterfeiting everything from CDs and videos to books and tapes for over a generation. With a wink and a nod from their Communist rulers, many Chinese companies have been substituting cheaper, sometimes toxic ingredients in medicines and food to lower their costs. Dozens of China’s cities have risen to prominence by specializing in fake goods, like Wenzhou, which is known for selling counterfeit Proctor and Gamble products.

Recent exposure has forced the government to protect its public image. In a strange turn of events, executive Zhang Shuhong committed suicide just days after Mattel blamed his company, the Lee Der Toy Company for the recall of over a million of lead-painted toys in early August. Zhang was just one of a new class of business leaders who had helped provide the cheap goods that have flooded into Wal-Marts and Targets. Entrepreneurs have become the new *Chinese bandits* who have fattened their own bank accounts while bilking the world public.

**CAVEAT EMPTOR**

China’s consistent breach of international standards raises some serious questions. Could this whole scenario be the result of a Communist plan of chemical warfare? Must Americans continue to trust the *good instincts* of the same Communist regime that has murdered and imprisoned thousands of its own people? Who can explain how a past and possible future enemy seized virtual control of America’s food supply or why there is no accurate labeling information about this dangerous dietary invasion, when *Made in China* is stamped on everything its people use from cell phones, pottery, toys and sports wear? Something must be rotten when it has been five years since the passage of the Country of Origin Labeling Law (COOL) for fish, poultry beef, and other food products and Washington has not enforced the law, thanks to a pair of executive orders from President Bush.

What explains this virtual dereliction of duty among American leaders and moral guardians? Are they blinded by their naïve hopes that China will eventually take its seat at the global banquet table? Their eagerness to trade with China is a sure sign that the West has forfeited its moral roots and sacrificed its soul to the goddess of commerce and free trade, evokes Lenin’s dictum that *capitalists in their greed will sell us the hemp to hang them*. Perhaps Johns Hopkins University’s James Mann was correct when he suggested in his 2007 book, *The China Fantasy* that Washington believes that increasing prosperity and the arrival of McDonald’s and Starbucks will entice China to move toward democracy.

The truth is America must remove its blinders to China’s dark side. Released from its Confucian ethic, China’s laundry list of violations include a coercive abortion policy, organ harvesting, suppression of the press, currency manipulation, occupation of Tibet and the 1989 Tiananmen Massacre. All are grim reminders of its true Communist nature. As China observer Dr. Fred Schwartz warned in 1995, *caveat emptor*.

**NEW WINESKIN**

Washington must remind itself that in Beijing economics always serves politics. Under President Hu Jintao’s leadership, China has discarded any pretense of economic reform, political liberalization or freedom of the press. Hu has consistently reminded the West that China’s political system must not jeopardize its one-party rule. To insure this, he has been tightening his grip on power. He was named party leader in 2002 and president the next year. In 2005 he was appointed the commander of China’s formidable armed forces, completing his consolidation of the three top government spots.

Despite its integration into the global economy, China still relies on its old methods to control its population. It has persecuted all religions from the Buddhists in Tibet to the Christians and Catholics in Beijing. It has eight million people in its prisons, most of them political dissidents. It harvests the organs of many of the 4000 inmates it executes each year. Its brutal *one child* policy has made it the leading provider of abortion in the world.

Its centralized power has allowed the CCP to blame its business corruption on underlings. In July of 2007 China executed its top food and drug regulator as Beijing scrambled to show that it was serious about improving food and drug safety. Zheng Xiaoyu was dispatched for allegedly having taken $850,000 in bribes from eight drug manufacturers in exchange for approval of untested medicines. He was more a sacrificial lamb that the Communists offered up to conceal their long history of economic malfeasance with their Western trading partners.

China has given every indication that it has no plans to divorce
its Socialistic Market Economic Structure, the Chinese derivative of Lenin's, New Economic Policy continues to drive its economy with cheap labor, often from its massive prison population. The 2008 Games are just part of China's one big economic step forward, in line with Lenin's dialectic. Perhaps the world will sneak a peek at China's two steps backward behind the pageantry of the Games and come to realization that Communist China is selling the same old wine in new wineskins.

RADA R SCREEN

Communist oppression has easily extended into its religious community. It still sees religion as a threat to its power and control over the Chinese people. The CCP is determined to eradicate religious activities that are not fully sanctioned by the state. The Chinese State Council's Religious Affairs Bureau screens all religious groups. It controls locations of meetings, training, religious publications and funding.

China has a long history of persecuting the Catholic Church. There has been a revival of that persecution surrounding China's Patriotic Catholic Church. The PCC appoints and ordains a great majority of its bishops without papal permission. This has led to the formation of a Catholic Underground Church of about 12 million faithful.

Beijing was not amused when Pope Benedict XVI gave the red hat to Chinese Bishop Joseph Zen Ze-kuin, making him the sixth Chinese Cardinal in church history. The new Cardinal wasted little time in excoriating the CCP on the 17th anniversary of Tiananmen Square Massacre. That same year many priests, including the octogenarian, underground auxiliary bishop, Yao Liang, and almost a 100 laymen and women, were arrested by Chinese authorities for their continual refusal to submit to Communist oversight. In 2007 the government ordered a popular shrine among pilgrims dynamited, so they could convert it into a tourist hotel. Last July four priests were incarcerated for refusing to join the PCC.

China is always on the Pope's radar screen. In his June 30th letter to China's Catholics, Pope Benedict invited Beijing to begin a serious dialogue with the Vatican on their mutual problems. Diplomatic where John Paul II was charismatic, Pope Benedict acknowledged Beijing's concern with his predecessor's role in Communism's collapse in the West. While the Chinese welcomed his letter, the hope of any improvement for China's Catholics remains uncertain.

A PAX SINICA

China's foreign policy, especially with North America should serve as another Olympic-size warning for Washington. The fact is undeniable that China is an awakened modern giant with several nuclear teeth, which can bite American cities on the West Coast. Since the end of the Cold War China has regarded the United States as the main obstacle in its path as the global hegemon of the 21st century. For two decades it has been developing a lethal variety of electronic, energy, financial, and cyberspace weapons to exploit serious flaws in American economic and defense systems, especially its extraordinary dependency on its computer-driven satellite systems.

Surprisingly, Washington seems dangerously disinterested in China's imperial intentions in Latin America and the natural resource reservoir of Africa. China has made serious inroads in the natural resource rich areas of Africa. It has invested heavily in Zambia's copper mines, South Africa's magnesium mines, Niger's uranium pits, Sudan's oil fields, and the Congo's cobalt mines. The CCP has signed an oil drilling agreement with Fidel Castro. It has set up shop in the Panama Canal Zone, once a center in America's defense strategy. China has extended its out-reach to Latin America by aligning with Venezuelan strongman, Hugo Chavez.

In his 2000 book, Hegemon Sinologist Steven W. Mosher warned that no matter who rules it, China would always be Communist. The CCP truly believes that this century belongs to their dialectic blend of capitalism and state control of China's population, resulting in what author Steven Mosher calls a Pax Sinica in the 21st century.

The 2008 Games should serve as an Olympic-size warning to the United States and the rest of the world as to China's dangerous role in the 21st century. Perhaps the glaring spotlight of the Games will expose China's ideological cancers to the public.

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