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## Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Miramar - 2008/03/16 06:54

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Is it possible to put Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan in South Asia forum if not seperate forums? Just a suggestion.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Jacques - 2008/03/16 09:33

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Why not ? every one put his forum where he thinks it is the most suitable.

For me, I fixed "The Tibet question" in China because the problem is with Beijing

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Paradoxan - 2008/03/16 19:59

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Dedication to the freedom and justice to Tibetans and Tibet.

Tibet demonstrations around the world. The spirit of freedom is demonstrated by the peaceful religious Tibetan Buddhist monks and civilians alike. The new generation of Tibetans within or outside of Tibet are actively demonstrating in massive numbers throughout the world. The Tibetans want total freedom and justice for their nation, cultures and people. The blatant occupation and annexation by China and Chinese should be halted and restrained to protect the endangered Tibetans and their ancient cultures. This is the duty of brave, wise, intelligent civilized humans around the world. We all know that the younger generation of Tibetans have the full right to determine their destination and full freedom and power should be in the hands of the Tibetans themselves. No nation, entity, race, organization, group or government should impose their will upon the Tibetans.....period. This is my goal, this is my judgment, my understanding, my insight and my ground in which I stand as long as I am alive! Tibet belongs to Tibetans and no one else. Long Live Tibet and Tibetans!

Links:

<http://www.voanews.com/english/2008-03-15-voa4.cfm>

<http://www.voanews.com/english/2008-03-14-voa65.cfm>

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/mar/14/tibet.china2>

<http://www.savetibet.org/>

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Mynmyat - 2008/03/16 21:30

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Hey Jacques,

I had fun (joy) talking with you. With a little help from my Pal (friend) Paradoxan, the link that he provides I click on that "savetibet.org" and wa.la! I saw the Tibetan Maps Calendar for sale. I click on that Tibet Map picture and continue to purchase with my credit card. Talking about my credit card I wish I had a card that gives me at least \$300,000 US dollars limit so that I can fulfill my dreams practically for I am confident I am as creative as my creator God (in his image I mean). :silly: Well my purchase went through smoothly. It cost only \$17.75 (7.75 for s&h). Any way this is at least what I can help those poor few Tibetans that are suffering from Chinese oppression. Well something is better than nothing. Don't you agree?

I love plastic cards. They are slim, beautiful designs, easy to carry and very convenient to spend not to mention hassle free to borrow money. We all are living on a borrow time, aren't we Jacques? Really! :)

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Jacques - 2008/03/16 23:49

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Miramar - 2008/03/18 07:20

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Websites of Free and Independent Tibet:

<http://www.tibet.com/>  
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/ritacor/2342027204/>  
<http://flickr.com/search/?q=free+tibet&s=rec&z=t>  
<http://tibetanuprising.org/2008/03/17/reuters-tibetans-protest-around-the-world/>  
<http://www.freetibet.org/>  
<http://www.tibet.org/>  
<http://www.savetibet.org/>  
<http://www.freetibet.net/>  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tibet>  
<http://www.studentsforafreetibet.org/>  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xp5mAMrfvI8>  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8Ow1lojpgg>  
<http://www.politicalresources.net/c-tibet.htm>

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Mynmyat - 2008/03/18 16:25

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Howdy Jacques,

I understand your nightmare with credit cards. Honestly the high interest rates sucks! I don't mind paying interest rates up to 10% (they have to make money too, you know) but that's the limit. I hope one day there is a law to limit the interest rates to 10%. Wouldn't it be nice to have plastic cards that provide hassle free money with 10% limit? I know it's kinda hard for the world is full of greedy greeds (people). Another thing. I hope one day, humans will be smart enough, intelligent enough and wise enough to include all the information into one little piece of plastic slim card to carry instead of many cards to carry now a days. In America many people have to carry lots of I.D.s (Identification Cards) like driver's license, work I.D. Bank debit cards, health insurance card, car insurance card, departmental stores cards and of course the credit cards and this card that card and finally my wallet is full of plastic cards that the leather wallet ware out or torn pretty soon not to mention it is so big and swollen it doesn't fit in my pant's pockets! Sometimes I wish I'll be like Mr. Bill Gates (the richest man in the world who never carries a wallet) not for the fame but for the fortune (\$ 10 millions and not billions is good enough for me) and doesn't need to carry a wallet let alone to carry cards. Mr. Gates (Microsoft owner) is so rich and famous that he don't need to carry this that or I.D. or even a wallet. What a convenient WAY to live! I wish one day when the technology advance all ordinary people do not need to carry lots of plastics (put into one cards by small mini chips). No need to be rich and famous just ordinary humans living conveniently. Just a thought!

By the way I like your soldier cartoon, where did you get that? It does look like you (just kidding):laugh:

Regards,

Mynmyat.

P.S. Thanks for talking with me. I know you are a very busy man. Thanx again.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Paradoxan - 2008/03/18 17:30

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Dear Readers, Writers, Members,

Does any body had any knowledge about Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka (Ceylon before) for in my view these independent nations, however small, remote they may be and have ancient cultures of their own, are included in South Asia geographically.

Not too long ago I read and heard Chinese troops are massing along Bhutan. Are the Chinese planning to invade another remote independent nation and claim theirs? I do not like the Chinese Communist Party motives and do not trust them at all. Many people might believe the next world war or world war 3 might begins from Middle East but for me, my opinion is it will start from Asia. We all know that wars flare up between India (India is part of South Asia too) and China in the past. In my opinion India is weaker than China and not fully prepared when the wars in the past started and India lost the most as an outcome. In fact India is surrounded by hostile nations (is it the strategy of China?) namely Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, China, Pakistan and Burma (China's puppet) But India is trying very hard to woo/entice Burma (Burma can be regarded as part of South Asia as well as South East Asia for she is situated/located in the junction of such) away from the orbit of China by giving arms and ammunitions, military hardware, financial aid and so on. India does not want to be "boxed" by China.

Any one any thoughts on this Strategic Fields of South Asia? Please do step out and share us, exchange, discuss and argue/debate your thoughts, insights and opinions.

regards,

Paradoxan.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/18 19:45

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when we read about this topic we also are informed about:

unresolved border disputes in Bhutan, going back centuries and the issue was only addressed in Beijing in 1984.

that Bhutan has traditional trade relations with Tibet, but Bhutan closed its northern borders with China after an influx of Tibetan refugees in 1960. With that the age-old cross-border trade came to a halt and there have been no official trade or business relations with China ever since.

that:

Trouble is mounting on China's border with Bhutan.

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that:

The intrusions of Chinese forces, analysts say, has more to do with India than Bhutan.

please refer to:

<http://www.atimes.com/atimes/China/JA12Ad02.html>

Post edited by: linsi, at: 2008/03/18 19:48

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/18 20:11

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Sri Lanka,Bangadesh,Pakistan, Burma, with China's exemption has been fighting internal problems of their own, either working with terrorism from without or military rule from within

A nation could only rise above these conflicts if governments are strong enough and integral in upholding the rule of law, freedom and democracy (own version) to its own people.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Miramar - 2008/03/18 20:39

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Kingdom of Bhutan or Democratic Kingdom of Bhutan?:

Government: Monarchy (now this can be change to rising democracy around the world/Globalization)

Small army (under 10,000).

Capital City: Thimphu

Religion: Buddhism and Hindu as major

Population: a million or two.

Land area: 47,000 sq km (18,150 sq miles)

Location: Between Tibet to the north and India to the south. Scenic beautiful mountainous place with deep valleys.

Southern lowlands has forests and wild animals. More influential by India although Tibetans descendants/migrants are major for Bhutans who are mostly farmers.

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According to the link "linsi" provided Bhutan had become the world's newest multi party democratic Kingdom (similar to Kingdom of Thailand). I am glad the new multi democratic government of Bhutan's informal contacts have been made with United States through the American Embassy in New Delhi. India had become the democratic vanguard of South Asia and Asia as a whole building a sizable Naval forces not only in Indian Ocean but also penetrating into South China Seas. The recent good relations between India and United States become more stronger and cement into 2 democratic giants is a positive trend in checking the Communist China's aggressive behavior.

I see South Asia as a strategic stronghold and the struggle between democratic forces and anti-democratic forces can be intensified through out this 21st Century where the fast changes of political maps, boundaries and the human elements fauna and flora, energy search are becoming important and contradictory to one another for supremacy, strength, struggle of conflicting doctrines. In my opinion Tibet, Bhutan and Nepal are going to be the strategic points of interest for BIG power play in this 21st Century.

Correct me if I am wrong in facts or statistics.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Paradoxan - 2008/03/18 21:56

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Thanks for the contribution "linsi". Very informative link also. In my opinion to rub India or to do more to India than to Bhutan by intrusion of Chinese troops into Bhutan reveal the disrespect by the Chinese against the people of Bhutan no matter how small or insignificant that nation is. In my opinion, the UN is just a symbol and not an effective or strong Organization. I do not want to call World's Organization for UN is powerless and ineffective in solving many world's problems. I agree it is better to have something achieve somewhere but as the humans move to high tech and better understanding, we need an effective group of nations that stands for the dignity, integrity and rights of human kind as a whole regardless of regional and races or cultures involved. It is a known fact that China already taken Tibet by force. There are some who submit to China's aggression for many reasons and there are those who don't. Of course if one argue that going back centuries will only emerge problems than solutions. Look at United States or Mexico as an example. If one goes back to centuries ago US and Mexico is ruled and occupied or lived by the Indians thus the notion of Indians owning United States and Mexico stands (according to ancient historical facts). Right now China rules Tibet (by invasion) and that is a fact, BUT.....the new generations of Tibetans are more informed, more intelligent, more educated and more smart and as you know and we all know humans tend to take over by newer younger generations one after another generation after generation changing the world as times goes by. The world today is different than the world yesterday. Constant changes are occurring in all parts of the world. Europe is now united as one. There is no more Eastern Europe or Western Europe. No more Soviet Union either. China had many provinces that they annexed including Tibet. Talking about China some provinces that they annex I don't think there is no problems for the inner feelings of the repressed ethnics, they are not happy with the Chinese rule. These are the facts. A nation as big as Soviet Union collapse and many independent and free nations emerge (these oppressed small nations are not happy with the Russians' rule). It may take 50 or 70 or 100 years but empires do collapse. This also a fact. How Asia will cope with rising freedom democratization (according to their nature) is yet to be seen. Energy crunch is looming as developing escalates Asia.

South Asia consist of India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tibet, Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Burma. True, each has its own problems and the problems between India and Pakistan especially the Kashmir dispute (India vs. Pakistan) is not a solved problem and each nation own nuclear weapons and now Bhutan? (India vs. China) both have nuclear weapons. Indian Ocean is vital for it is the gateway to Gulf States which have the world's largest Oil reserves.

Thanks for stepping out and contribute/sharing your insights/thoughts Linsi.

Regards.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/19 08:51

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hi paradoxan,

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If all countries will be given the chance to conquer others, i bet, they will, take for instance Iraq she invaded kuwait if, Iran will have the chance to conquer Iraq, then it will... we could go on and on and on-

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Post edited by: linsi, at: 2008/03/19 09:03

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linsi

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Paradoxan - 2008/03/20 06:08

Dear linsi,

It is nice of you to clarify how nations tend to conquer others if they have the chance or opportunity. I had no problem with the Chinese people but I had problem with the dictator Communist Party. In America too there are many rich people or mighty Corporations or Companies but as long as these wealthy people Co. or Inc. does not cheat or wipe off lesser common people or practice unfair practices, too greedy and treat struggling people like robots, it's ok with me but if they do practice unfair practices to gain wealth I do not respect nor had any admiration to these wealthy persons, entity or Companies no matter how big or mighty or wealthy they are. In my view China is trading with US unfairly and President Bush let this happen so the consequences of this reflects what is happening in US and China. There are some points I totally disagree with President Bush's trade/foreign policy.

As for Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans I don't think they dislike being "part" of USA. On the contrary the Tibetans do not like the rule of China at all. In other words the New Generation Tibetans don't want to be "part" of China at all and that is why now and then revolt begins against the Chinese rule.

Any way I agree generally with you the notion of a nation having "strong rule of law" can spawn economic prosperity but for me 'what kind of law' depends also. For example if the "strong rule of fascist or marshal law" exists I seriously doubt this particular nation can achieve economic prosperity.

You are cool. Thanxs for your insight linsi. All you guys/gals are great moderators, writers and members also. I mean Zia, You and of course the small soldier Jacques.

Cheers! :whistle:

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<br><br>Post edited by: linsi, at: 2008/03/19 09:03

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/20 17:42

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Paradoxan

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hi paradoxan,

i think that both of us are freedom lover people, we both agree that "democracy" is the best form of government.

i also think that "democracy" in america  
is quite different from democracy of other nations or territories

america's democracy is entirely different from singapore's democracy,  
japan has a different kind of democracy too, i also think that people in general loves freedom beause i believe that man is  
created "dynamic" that means we are  
created with the gift of free choice/ free will-

but when we speak of governments- i have observed that weak governments  
are corrupt-leaning governments  
and when this happens-" communism, dictatorship, facism etc- gets in.

Take for example Chiang-Kai Shek-  
Chiang Kai-Shek was an average Han Chinese who rose to become the leader of the most populous nation in the world,  
yet fell to the clutches of corruption

<http://www.ccds.charlotte.nc.us/History/China/save/hance/Hance.html>

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## Re: Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/20 17:47

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Paradoxan

agreed, many americans are dissatisfied  
with Pres. Bush' trade/foreign policies but i think china's trading policies with america can only happen when america's  
goverment let this happen right?

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/20 17:55

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agreed, Puerto Ricans does not dislike America, that is why i stated that when a nation has a strong rule of law (democracy) then it is prosperous, a lucrative partner in business and economy, helps in aiding poor countries ect..ect.. and who doesn't like a government such as this?

may i ask why the young tibetan generation don't want to be a apart of china?

then we could discuss more about tibet's revolt happening now and i could learn more from you-

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/03/20 17:57

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very timely and interesting topic you started paradoxan, you caught me here

cheers  
linsi

oops, my lengthy replies were on the previous page...

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Paradoxan - 2008/03/21 00:03

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Hi linsi,

Your question, "may i ask why the young tibetan generation don't want to be a apart of china?"

Here's my concept:

When the Chinese invaded Tibet, a vacuum occurs. We all know, before the invasion of Chinese troops, Tibet is an isolated, mountainous large independent nation with very few population not to mention the people are very religious, peaceful loving people and has no standing army. This region is land lock and needs either China or India for access to

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Oceans and the world. Communications in those days are limited before the Chinese invasion. After the invasion the Chinese control Tibetans and again the access to outer world is limited. The invasion of Chinese create refugees including Dalai Lama himself. When repression occurs in a very big way it is natural humans tend to find refuge from repression thus the mass migration of Tibetans into neighboring nations namely, Nepal, Bhutan and India occur. In fact the Tibetans are now spread out throughout the world. Now, with the advancement of technology, no place is isolated nor inaccessible anymore. The many Tibetans that lives outside of Tibet are free and knowledgeable and had no problem in communicating with their fellow Tibetans that lives under Chinese repression, thanks ot the tech/electronic revolution. Of course the Chinese will try very hard to cut off the communications with the outside world (even today) but in a time like this, it will not be fool proof . The Tibetans see the occupation of Chinese had depleted their cultures, their race and their identity slowly but surely and the new generation of Tibetans mostly outside of Tibet realized their very survival as a different entity is at stake. Dalai Lama is the older generation leader. I understand spiritual leader plays a vital role in Tibetan culture but simultaneously the new concept of younger Generation urge for survival might spawn a different new leader. Tibetans knew their nation, culture and way of life more than any race including the Chinese or Hans or whatever. It is natural to own their own land, practice their own faith and conduct their own culture. Who are we to blame them for that urge?

Look at another South Asian nation for example. Burma/Myanmar. The repression (in Burma's case it is done by its own Military Generals) done by the repressive regime creates millions of refugees to neighboring countries and beyond. In these migration either in a legal way (with passports) or illegal way the brain drain occurs. In this influx of brain drain scenario, smart brains are also included and plays a major role in the revolution. The effectiveness of these younger generation's skills demonstrated in September 2007 Revolution is the proof of the changing tactics of human's quest to overcome repression. The ripple effects of the newer, younger generations of Burmese shock the world with shocking videos and pictures that the regime cannot hide. China copy Burma's events and protect their interest more effectively. Once in Burma 1988, China 1989 massacre and now in Burma against Buddhist monks in 2007, China against Buddhist monks in 2008. See the trend?

Many people mistaken the American style (ideology) implementation on other nations, cultures. I disagree on that. Of course America shows how they achieve success overcoming obstacles, hardships by freedom and the fruits of freedom which are prosperity, advance technology, business, economic wealth and so on. The modern achievements of American ingenuity, innovations and the freedom to do that implies greatly to attain success and these examples that inspire many nations, cultures alike to try their own style in their own culture, ways and environs. Puerto Ricans never act like Americans for Americans never imposed their culture or life styles on any race or culture. Puerto Ricans have their own life styles, their own cultures and their own land AND also they enjoys the fruits of democratic laws and rules that binds Puerto Ricans and Americans together locking their lands as one nation. Puerto Ricans enjoy being "part" of America.

In short, the love for freedom, the joy of freedom, the value for freedom and the implementation of freedom does produce a strong bond that gives these 2 separated lands/peoples as one nation. In other words Puerto Rico is "part" of USA and USA is part of Puerto Rico.

I want to say something. Freedom does not belong only to Americans and America. Freedom belongs to ALL humans, ALL nations regardless of culture, region, race or religion. Freedom is universal and Freedom is human's birth rights. When a baby is born before he/she understand laws, before he/she understands who where what. Before he/she understands anything, he/she is NOT born to be exploited or abuse or oppressed by others. He or she is born free to pursue LIFE, LIBERTY and HAPPINESS.

It is not wise to block with barriers of this that (adults' agenda/propaganda) for this baby that enters the world freely to decides his/her own destination. Just like many species of animals. ALL off springs are on their own for better or worse when they reach their maturity so why not humans? Humans should be more free for humans are much much more valuable and superior than animals. Are they not?

It is great talking with you linsi. I enjoy very much. Thanxs.

Paradoxan.

P.S. I think something wrong with the site (AO). I mean the technological defects.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Miramar - 2008/03/29 12:47

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Bhutan had taken the first step to maturity. She may be small or insignificant but she had taken a giant step towards pursuing for freedom and prosperity. We, as free people should welcome, encourage and support this bold and brilliant move of Bhutan in joining the free world. Welcome Bhutan welcome into the free world of nations.

[http://www.swissinfo.ch/eng/front/Bhutan\\_takes\\_first\\_step\\_towards\\_democracy.html?siteSect=105&sid=8907498&cKey=1206802253000&ty=st](http://www.swissinfo.ch/eng/front/Bhutan_takes_first_step_towards_democracy.html?siteSect=105&sid=8907498&cKey=1206802253000&ty=st)

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/04/03 21:23

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<http://www.savetibet.org/news/newsitem.php?id=948>

so, that means that religion is "power"

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Jacques - 2008/04/05 10:54

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5 April 2008

Can every of you in the world tell us what is the position of your government on the tibet and J.O. questions ?

Here is the French position

<http://english.aljazeera.net/NR/exeres/06F993FD-D138-4E7D-863B-D6FBC9352F16.htm>

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/04/09 07:10

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excerpts:

...Almost all of China is offended that foreigners are so keen to lecture them and to encourage the petty boycotts that could spoil the Olympic party. It genuinely infuriates the Chinese that they are blamed for Darfur while their Western critics occupy Iraq.

...Tibetans have a strong case against Beijing. But mixing it in with the Olympics and Darfur is a red rag to a wounded young bull.

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How will the Chinese react if the Olympics really do become noted more for demonstrations and boycotts by Tibetan-inspired foreigners than for the achievements of China's athletes and organizers? At whom will popular anger then be directed

read more:

<http://www.iht.com/articles/2008/04/08/opinion/edbowring.php>

is it right that the olympic torch  
be a cannon ball to vent political angst against a country?

every now and then the torch relay is disrupted

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/04/09 07:26

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"What we get concerned with is that people take advantage of a democratic environment to abuse good order and take it out on the Olympic torch,"

said Kevan Gosper, an IOC board member.

"If people simply demonstrated to make their cause clear, that's one thing. But, for people to demonstrate to the extent where violence takes place and with people arrested,

it's a complete abuse of our democratic right and that upsets us."

<http://www.voanews.com/english/2008-04-08-voa38.cfm>

this is the trouble with democracy in 1 million people, with 1 million minds a million consideration and a million adjustments has to be done-

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by Miramar - 2008/04/09 10:01

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With respect, I disagree strongly with linsi.

This is my perspective and perception:

I understand US President Bush had a strong personal (just like he had with Russian outgoing President Putin) relationship with Chinese Communist Party Boss or Bosses and during his "watch" China had become financial super power and US is facing recession with the intake of huge unfair trade surplus China "enjoys" with US (not to mention US is the borrower and China is the lender) and the "war on middle class" currently under way in US and it is NOT rewarding to home owners (I call them investors) who owns 2 or more houses for middle class people. IF, I am the President of USA (just a dream), I would certainly give tax breaks to people who owns "unlimited" houses encouraging to make 90% of Americans to become millionaires (not homeless/poor) not to mention the baby boomers are retiring soon and social security system is in jeopardy and want them to find their own ways to support themselves in becoming rich. The more houses or investments you make the more tax breaks or available credits you will get scenario. I want to encourage people to invest and NOT to discourage or punish people by more taxing them. I wouldn't be surprise if President Bush goes to Beijing Olympic. Not at all. That's his "personal" decision.

My point is this.....I know majority and many people around the world separate "politics" and "sports". I know that, BUT person thinks carefully we as humans are conjoined to both "politics" AND "sports" for "humanity" is the fundamental foundation in which we as humans relies on. Humanity belongs to humans and as humans we have the right to conduct in a very human way of love and affection to those unfortunate fellow humans who are suffering in every day life. Call it any way you want but caring, loving, understanding, standing with the weak and sufferers are noble no matter which way one calls it either "politics" or "sports". We as humans should not separate anything that belongs to humans in a very

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passionate compassionate understanding wise way which we all know as "humanity". When I say "humanity" it includes all things that related to humans and that includes "Sports" and "politics".

Best regard and respect,

Miramar, where "humanity" comes first above all.

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## Re:Tibet, Nepal and Bhutan

Posted by linsi - 2008/04/09 18:38

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I understand Miramar,

I am thankful for the very objective and polite response.  
What i posted were excerpts from articles..

let me get down to the point: I would quote  
emily lau a pro-democracy legislator from hong kong

" allow protests and demonstrations when the torch comes  
in hongkong, allow peaceful and proper demonstrations"

i think this implies= "democracy with responsibility"

the buddhists in Myranmar- were "peace-loving" people  
who also rose against China's "collaboration" with the junta  
their message was heard and brought across the universe.

after that- the world stood still.

what will happen after beijing olympics?  
will the world still dance with the music with tibet?  
or will it dance with China after all?

Why was China allowed to join the WTO?  
Why did the UN listen to China when  
it rejected Taiwan's membership?  
why buy China's merchandize albeit high percentage  
of lead tainted toys,  
poor hygiene standard stuffs etc,  
as this country is now  
branded as the bully of Asia?

worst, why did the World Health Organization  
turned its back against Taiwan when this  
territory was suffering badly from SARS?  
Is this humane enough?

and if Tibet wants freedom then let it stand firm  
with its fight for freedom

The torch is not China-  
democracy is the proper way  
but with responsibility

thanks for the most polite  
response Miramar, you also earned my respect-  
i hope others would do the same-

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linsi

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