

When Repetition becomes an Embarrassment

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Did you see the latest news from Communist China – or wait a second – that's Capitalist China...Isn't it? Maybe Communist/Capitalist China makes more sense (within an Unreal Economy that is pure nonsense).

It was a 'red-letter' day for the capitalists (the full-fledged ones) when Stalin killed off every Marxist within reach and yet still called what was left 'communism'. Who but the dirt-poor peoples of the world could be attracted to that miserable version of 'communism'? The media machine constantly pointed to the bad doings of 'communism'. They did not anticipate that those evil 'communists' would stage a revolution from the top and convert themselves into capitalists. How embarrassing!

The USSR at least provided a fudge factor when Yeltsin blew up the parliament and re-created old Russia. At least that looked like a major change had happened, so the machine reported a 'revolution' and Russia became capitalist in 1991. Almost no one noticed that Russia became certifiably capitalist in 1989 when Gorbachev traveled through the eastern lands telling leaders they had better convert to capitalism because the free lunch was over. The Berlin Wall came down in early 1990.

But China! It has disposed of the free lunch (iron rice bowl). Workers and peasants must now pay for much of their health and education expenses. Massive exploitation of the productive class has made the capitalist elite immensely wealthy. Ninety percent of the richest of the rich have direct ties to the 'communist' leadership.

Now the last vestige of the oft-repeated lie is wearing thin – that this capitalism is somehow bogus because the old Stalinist command economy is still in place. State intervention within capitalism is the norm – look how the American state is totally responsible for the current mock recovery – and as for China, the 'command' has worked no better for them than similar actions taken by Japan 25 years ago worked for that country. That means it's a capitalist market economy like all the rest, and controlling it is like a drunk trying to touch the tip of his nose.

And things may even get worse. The day may come when all the crimes meticulously and repetitively shouted out by our moulders of opinion will have to be switched to the capitalist side of the ledger. The take home lesson? – Stick to what is immediately profitable. Apple shares rose 4% and we saw headlines saying that the earnings report proved that Apple was withstanding competition from Samsung, Android, Smartphones. All because the report beat 'expert' estimates, and even though actual earnings fell 22%. Some proof!!

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