TRYING TO STEP INTO THE SAME RIVER TWICE

One of the problems with many Hongkong Chinese, who left Hongkong, prior to June 30, 1997, is that, today, they are neither Hongkongers nor have they been fully assimilated into the culture and customs of their adopted countries.

In fact, most Chinese, who try to relocate to other countries, tend to be cliquish, staying mostly with their own ethnic groups.

These Chinese have a great deal of trouble in trying to return to, what is, now, called, the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC) -- because, today, they have no deep roots in the HKSAR.

At the same time, due to the fact that they are ethnically Chinese, their assimilation into their adopted countries' culture and customs is incomplete – if at all.

If they are unsuccessful, socially and financially, in their adopted countries, they are in a difficult situation since, on the one hand, they cannot 'return' to the HKSAR because things have changed so much since they left, some years past.

On the other hand, if they have been unsuccessful, financially, in their adopted countries, they are unable to catch that financial bus on which they had been used to riding in, what was, formerly, their Hongkong.

Heraclitus, a 5th Century Greek philosopher, could not have said it better: 'You could not step twice into the same rivers; for other waters are ever flowing on to you.'

The same analogy is true for the Government of the HKSAR for, for every controversial action that it takes, today, there is an equal and opposite reaction in a similar way that Sir Isaac Newton described in his Second Law of Motion and his Third Law of Motion.

These 2 Laws state:

Second Law of Motion

'A force, acting on an object in motion, is equal to the rate of change of momentum over time.'

Third Law of Motion

'An object experiences a force because it is interacting with some other object; and, that the force, exerted by Object One on Object Two, must be equal to the force exerted by Object Two on Object One, but in the opposite direction.'

The HKSAR Government is departing, day after day, from its promises, promises which were supposed to have been engraved in stone when the late Paramount Leader of the PRC, Deng Xaio Ping, first promulgated the concept of One-Country, Two-Systems.

Every time that Chief Executive Tung Chee Hwa agrees to a departure from The Basic Law of the HKSAR, or attempts to make alterations to the interpretation of the English Common Law, as is practised in the HKSAR and upon which the HKSAR is supposed to have been founded, he is pounding in the nails into the coffin of these 412-odd square miles.

Because, like the Hongkong Chinese, who left these shores, fearing for the future under the Government of the PRC, there is no returning '... other waters are ever flowing on to you.'

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