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Bopha Phorn, The Cambodia Daily
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York Times

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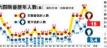
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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication: Business Today

Title of Entry:
The truth of Taiwan

Journalists: Po- Lin, Chi

Judges' Comments:
Scenes of homeland
destruction is shocking.

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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: Ming Pao 明報

Title of Entry:
Candles in the Rain
守住燭光

Journalists:

李澤彤

Judges' Comments: Rigorous scene setting, thoughtful perspective 取景嚴謹,寓意深遠。





GROUP B



Myanmar Times



Myanmar Times



The New Paper



ARSENAL 1 EVERTON 1 Spanish teen cancels out Oezil's goal











HONORABLE MENTION

Publication: Myanmar Times

Title of Entry: Letpadaung fury

Journalists: **Kaung Htet**

Judges' Comments: Kaung Htet's photo of the woman holding Aung San Suu Kyi's hand shows how tension, anger and desperation can all be illustrated in a single frame.





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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: The New Paper

Title of Entry:

Little India Riot: Police cars overturned, some in flames

Journalists: Jonathan Choo

Judges' Comments:

When most other media caught the aftermath of the Little India riot, Jonathan Choo's photos caught the happening of it, with greater intensity and transparency.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE







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Reuters



Reuters



The International New York Times



HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Reuters

Title of Entry:
Haiyan's aftermath

Journalists: Erik de Castro and Damir Sagolj

Judges' Comments:

While still relying on aesthetics and composition to document one of the year's biggest stories, the photojournalists really searched and found intimate scenes and decisive moments to deliver a series of images that tell a story of destruction and survival.



Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful storms on record, leveled towns as it tore through central Philippines



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A plane approaches Tacloban airport as survivors struggle to rebuild their homes destroyed by Typhoon Haiyan.



Children play a game of "Sungka" inside the bathroom of a house.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

The International **New York Times**

Title of Entry: Typhoon Haiyan coverage

Journalists:

Tyler Hicks, Sergey Ponomarev, Jes Aznar and Bryan Denton

Judges' Comments:

Amazing, heart wrenching photographs of the devastating aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan that words cannot fully describe. They do more than tell the story, they inspire empathy and a desire to help.





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CommonWealth Magazine



Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌

Title of Entry:

The War of Technology Across the Straits. Who's the Ultimate Winner? 兩岸科技大車拼 誰是最後的贏家?

Journalists:

林士蕙、鄭婷方、彭漣漪



Judges' Comments:

The advantage that China once gave to Taiwanese electronics suppliers has become a double-edge sword, however, as they increasingly are faced with a rising breed of China-based electronics makers that have created their own brands.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

CommonWealth Magazine

Title of Entry:

The Two Faces of China

Journalists:

Fuyuan Hsiao, Yi-Shan Chen, Shu-ren Koo, Jimmy Hsiung, Jin Chen

Judges' Comments:

The package takes a comprehensive approach to examining China's future and presents in clear, concise story-form the dilemmas new President Xi Jinping faces.





GROUP B

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1MDB: Giant ponzi scheme or strategic investment fund?





One opposition MP describes it as the biggest ponzi scheme the nation has ever seen. Some may consider that a bit much but when one examines the trail of of deals made by 1 Malaysia Development Bhd, including RM20 billion in bonds and acquisition of dubious assets and even more dubious partners, there is plenty – and we mean plenty – to worry about. In the first of a series of articles we look at how it was set up, and its first questionable deal.

South China Morning Post



The Edge Review





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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry:

Shanghai Free Trade Zone

Journalists:

George Chen, Nick Edwards

Judges' Comments:

This story leverages the reporters' source work to break news and provide a glimpse into how the Chinese leadership is struggling to reshape the economy as it outgrows its old export manufacturing model.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: The Edge Review

Title of Entry:
The Big Gamble

Journalists: Leslie Lopez

Judges' Comments:

This story does a nice job of putting the 1MDB story into the local and wider context and of conveying the potential for trouble due to its past and present investment strategies.





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Bloomberg Markets



THE U.S. DIRECT-SALES COMPANY TEAMED UP WITH AMERICA'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITY TO HELP MAKE CHINA ITS BIGGEST MARKET.

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By Cam Simpson

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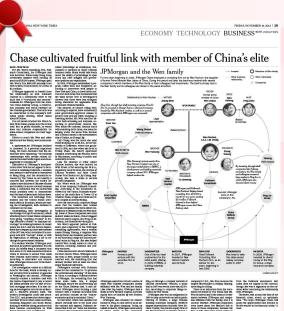
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Apple iPhone 5 Rollout

The International New York Times



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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication: Bloomberg News

Title of Entry:
Tech's Hidden Costs

<u>Journalists:</u>

Cam Simpson, Melissa Pozsgay and Flynn McRoberts

Judges' Comments:

A beautifully written story, heart wrenching and damning it its expose of worker exploitation in the electronics industry.



Bloomberg NEWS

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Publication:

The International **New York Times**

Title of Entry:

Wall Street's Golden Ties to China's Elite

Journalists:

David Barboza, Jessica Silver-Greenberg, and Ben Protess

Judges' Comments:

A truly exceptional piece of in-depth reporting, masterfully documented, exceedingly well told in a series of artfully written pieces, and ultimately damning in its revelations.



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Chase cultivated fruitful link with member of China's elite

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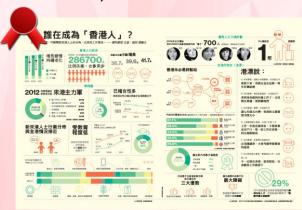


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Bloomberg Businessweek (Traditional Chinese Edition)



CommonWealth Magazine



CommonWealth Magazine







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

CommonWealth Magazine

Title of Entry:

The New Tech Paradigm: Why Taiwan Still Matters!

Journalists:

史書華、洪梵軒、李啟佑、林韋葶

Judges' Comments:

It contains a nice combination of creative infographics and traditional journalistic story-telling to describe the current development of technology industry in Taiwan.



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Why Taiwan Still Matters. *****













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Publication:

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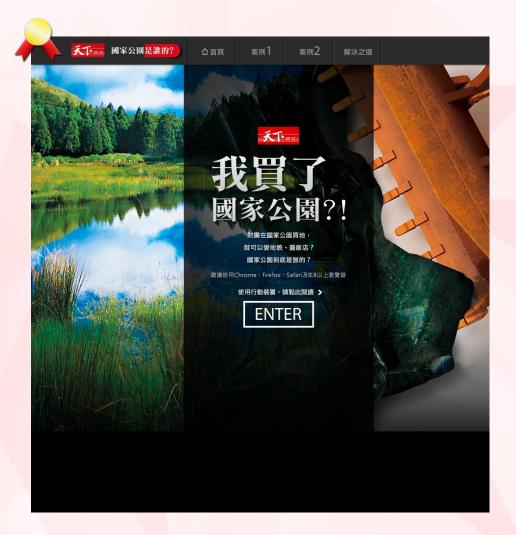
Taiwan's 12 Controversial National Park Development Cases

Journalists:

史書華、洪梵軒、李啟佑、 林韋葶、林芳萱

Judges' Comments:

It exemplifies how interactive infographics and investigative journalistic story-telling can be combined to become a well-crafted media report of an important social topic.

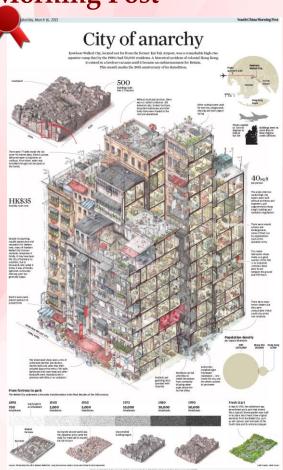




GROUP B

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South China Morning Post



South China Morning Post



The Straits Times/ The Sunday Times





HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

The Straits Times/ The Sunday Times

Title of Entry: Tech from nature

Journalists: Lim Yong

Judges' Comments:

This packs a lot of interesting information into a relatively small space. It is visually busy and could easily have taken over another page without adding more information. That said, it is an engaging page that I read intently to the finish.



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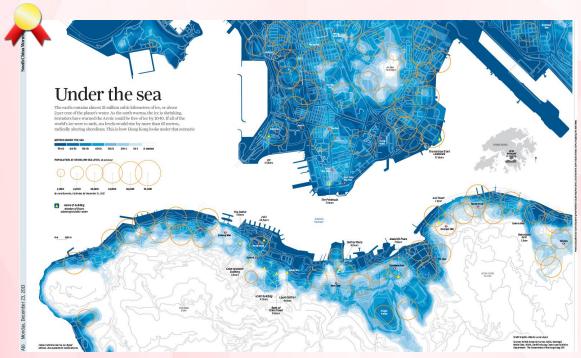
Publication: South China Morning Post

Title of Entry: Under the sea

<u>Journalists:</u>
Alberto Lucas

Judges' Comments:

Visually captivating and increasingly interesting as the reader studies it, this effectively shows what would happen if all of the ice melts.

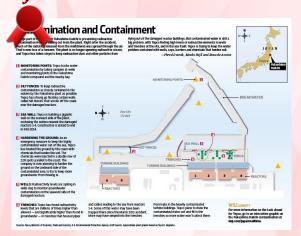




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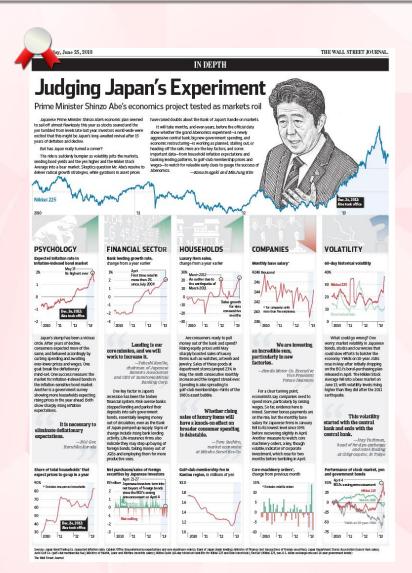
<u>Title of Entry:</u> **Judging Japan's Experiment**

Journalists:

MinJung Kim, Kana Inagaki, George Nishiyama, Takashi Nakamichi, Takashi Mochizuki, Eleanor Warnock, Kosaku Narioka, Christopher Kaeser, Phred Dvorak, Jacob M. Schlesinger & Jessica Yu

Judges' Comments:

Facts and information were easy to digest. Concise and elaborate graphics.



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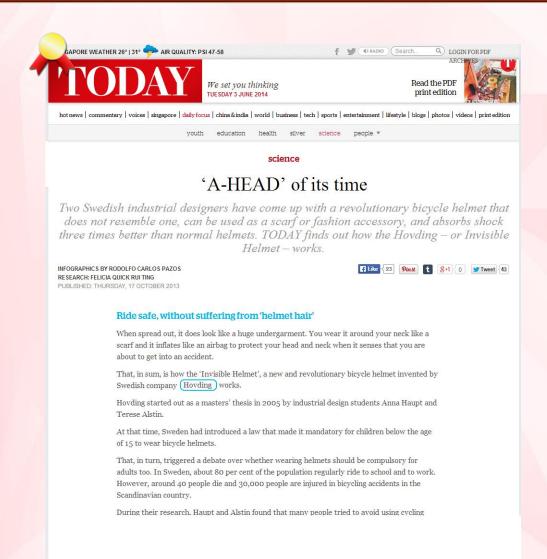
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: TODAY

Title of Entry:
'A-HEAD' of its time

Journalists: RODOLFO CARLOS PAZOS

Judges' Comments:
This Information Graphics
uses 2D and 3D visualization
plus interactivity on a
virtuoso way.



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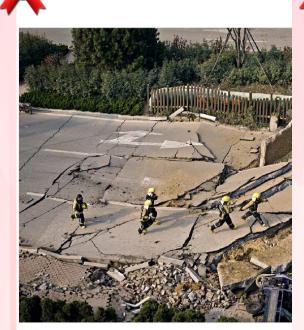




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Publication:

Ming Pao 明報

Title of Entry:

9 Hong Kongers Killed in Egypt Balloon Tragedy 熱氣球爆炸 9港客埃及亡慘劇

Journalists:

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Judges' Comments:

good team work, insightful background analysis/photos with eye-catching layout. well-re-editing reportage with wire services and first-handed interviews.







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Publication:

Caixin Media

Title of Entry:

Serial reports of Oil pipeline blast in Qingdao

Journalists:

Dao ZHENG, Ning YU, Haitao XIE, Kaixi HUANG, Dawei YU, Xia ZHANG, Huiling LI

Editor: Chen HUANG

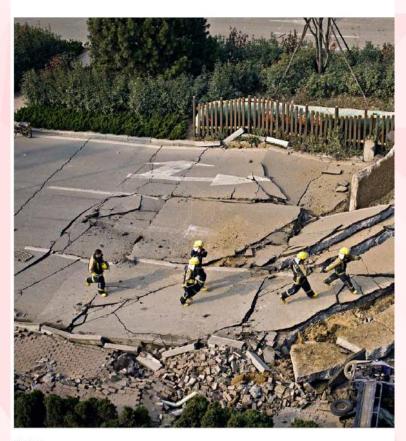
Designer & Developer: Zhicai LI

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Judges' Comments:

Impressive coverage of unfolding breaking news on website, social media and in print.





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Phnom Penh Post





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Publication: Phnom Penh Post

<u>Title of Entry:</u>
2013 Cambodian election (package)

Journalists:

Abby Seiff, Cheang Sokha, Vong Sokheng, Meas Sokchea, Sen David, Kim Sarom, Chhay Channyda, Sean Teehan, Amelia Woodhouse, Buth Reaksmey Kongkea, May Titthara, Stuart White, Mom Kunthear, Shane Worrell, Phak Seangly, Kevin Ponniah, Koam Chanra



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Judges' Comments:

A gripping series of articles put together with excellent photojournalism. The Phnom Penh Post puts the hard news at the top whilst creating a colourful narrative. Each stage in the political process was presented succinctly as it happened with street-level events presented in tandem.





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Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry:

Snowden breaks cover

Journalists:

Lana Lam

Judges' Comments:

The first interview with Snowden whilst in hiding in Hong Kong was one of the most important interviews in the world in 2013.

South China Morning Post

EXCLUSIVE Whistle-blower Edward Snowden talks to the SCMP and reveals how ...

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has been hacking computers in Hong Kong and on the mainland for years, as he vows to fight likely attempts by Washington to extradite him

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adding: "I have had many oppor-tunities to flee HK, but I would rather stay and fight the US gov-emment in the courts, because I have faith in HK's rule of law."

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Reuters



Bangkok uprising redux

BY ORATHAI SRIRING, ANDREWR.C. MARSHALL, AUBREY BELFORI AMY SAWITTA LEFEVRE AND JASON SZEP

November 26 - December 13, 2013 Bangkok and Hua Khua, Thalland

Reuters



Super typhoon flattens the Philippines

BY MANUEL MOGATO, ANDREW R.C. MARSHALL, ROLI NG AND AUBREY BELFORI

November 9 - 19, 2013 Manila and Tacloban, Philippines

The International New York Times

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Publication:

The International **New York Times**

Title of Entry: Typhoon Haiyan coverage

Journalists: Keith Bradsher

Judges' Comments:

The New York Times' coverage of Typhoon Haiyan was detailed and diverse, touching on the essence of the tragedy through its coverage of the human and logistical impacts while also conveying the wider context of life and death in the Philippines.

International New York Times

Not seeking love, just great bargains

Chinese flood Internet on lonely-hearts day turned shopping spree



Same time, same channel? TV woos children who can't wait

Storm's trail of destruction







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Reuters

Title of Entry: Bangkok uprising redux

Journalists:

Orathai Sriring, Andrew R.C. Marshall, Aubrey Belford, Amy Sawitta Lefevre and Jason Szep

Judges' Comments:

The Reuters coverage of the Thai political crisis was authoritative in tone, with great detail and sense of place. Reuters should be commended for its combination of strong reporting and clear analysis that adeptly explains a complex situation.



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November 26 - December 13, 2013 Bangkok and Hua Khua, Thailand

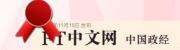
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Yazhou Zhoukan







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry:

Bloodshed in North Korean political arena and the lesson of Stalinist purges in Soviet Union

Journalists:

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t is a measure of the paucity of political leadership in Indonesia that just 18 months away from presidential elections, popular momentum seems to be rapidly building behind a relatively recent resident of Jakarta who previously was a provincial furniture manufacturer and then mayor of a small city in Central

The man universally known as Jokowi, a nickname derived from his full name Joko Widodo, left his job as mayor of Solo and was elected governor of Jakarta last September, upending powerbrokers and conventional political wisdom in the process.

In the last week, while President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono took the rather extraordinary step of becoming the chairman of his own faltering, divided and scandalmarred Democratic Party, the idea of a Jokowi presidential bid has only seemed more attractive. Why, after all, is a sitting two-term president, with less than two years left in office and a host of accomplishments behind him, not tending full time to government – especially with a rising trade deficit and a falling rupiah - and instead mucking about in messy party politics? There must be a better way. A survey of presidential preferences released last month by Publica Research and Consultancy had Jokowi,

aligned with the opposition Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle (PDI-P) that backed him for governor, leading the pack, with 16 per cent of respondents naming him their choice for president. The No. 2 was another insurgent figure, the controversial Suharto-era retired Gen. Prabowo Subianto, who has been the front runner in most surveys until recently.

This is the result of a serious miscalculation by both the Democratic Party and coal tycoon Aburizal Bakrie's Golkar Party, both of which backed the incumbent candidate for governor of Jakarta, Fauzi Bowo. "Jokowi changes everything," one key Aburizal advisor told me at the time. "And we were too stupid to understand what was happening."

It is far too early to tell if Jokowi can manage Jakarta's chaos any more effectively than the lackluster Fauzi, who rose to prominence by being a consummate inside associated in the public mind with a political system riddled with corruption, dominated by Suharto-era dinosaurs and seemingly immune to change. The Hous of Representatives is inefficient and shady, policies are forged in a murky crucible of money and vested interests and the entire system remains opaque. It is often left

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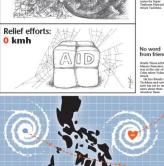
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Journalists:

Ravi Velloor

Judges' Comments:

He offers a smart analysis of Asia's susceptibility to natural disasters with wise suggestions.



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An Asia-wide natural disaster response body and emergency fund may be a good start



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Journalists: John Burton

Judges' Comments:

John Burton's series comparing South Korea to Singapore checks all the boxes for Excellence in Opinion Writing: It's a collection of strong opinions on a clear theme.



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One of the accusations made by the political left during last year's presidential election was that the entry of Park Geun-hye into the Blue House would mark a return to the days of the Yushin Constitution in the mid-1970s when her father imposed authoritarian rule over the country That claim was dismissed by most as overheated political rhetoric given South Korea's reputation now for being a vibrant democracy.

But I was quite surprised during a recent trip to the U.S. when discussing Korea with people who closely follow the country how often the case of leftist lawmaker Lee Seok-ki was cited as a possible indication that the bad old days of red-baiting and fear-mongering may be reviving even as President Park pursues a more moderate policy toward North Korea than her predecessor, Lee Myung-bak. Other trou-bling signs included the recent appointment of the legal official who drafted the Yushin Constitution as President Park's new chief of staff as well as allegations that the National Intelligence Service intervened in support of the ruling Saenuri Party using "black propaganda" in last year's presidential polls.

This appears to be part of a trend that began during the previous administration of the deterioration in the protection of freedom of in both the international and local



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media. This development has not been ignored, however, by the United Nations and respected international human rights organizations, including Amnesty International, Freedom House, Reporters Without Borders and the Open Net Initiative, all of whom have noted the decline.

The fear is that South Korea could be following in the footsteps of Singapore, an ostensibly democratic country that has raised the suppression of freedom of speech to a fine art. The South Korean government has a range of tools at its disposal similar to those used in Singapore to suppress free speech and cripple the opposition, including a draconian national security law, strict defamation laws, restrictive campaign laws, Internet censorship and state ownership in broadcasting.

For example, Singapore government officials, including the ruling family of Lee Kuan Yew, have long used the threat of costly defamation lawsuits to curb criticism by both expression, a subject that has opposition politicians and local and received less attention than it should international journalists. The number of indictments for defamation in

has sharply increased since 2007. The most noteworthy case was the government's defamation suit in 2009 against the MBC television program "PD Notebook" for its report on U.S. beef imports that triggered weeks of protest against the Lee administration that previous year. Although the PD Notebook journalists were acquitted of defaming the Ministry of Agriculture, the lengthy and costly legal case has had a chilling effect on investigative journalism.

Indictments and detentions under the notorious National Security Law also rose under the Lee Myung-bak administration, according to Amnesty International, and look set to continue under the Park administration if the case of Lee Seok-ki is any indication. The NSL was a favorite tool of President Park's father to harass the opposition, including the jailing of future president Kim Dae-jung. But in recent years, it has been used less dramatically, but routinely, to suppress dissent by leftist groups on the grounds that they are allegedly supporting North Korea. At times, though, the use of the NSL had reached absurd lengths such as the prosecution of the young satirist Park Jeong-guen last year for the Internet posting of altered images of North Korean propaganda that were meant to be a

The NSL also played a role in increasing Internet censorship under

South Korea, which were once rare, the Lee administration, with the government blocking access to websites that were deemed pro-North Korean. The government has imposed

pervasive Internet filtering systems to block any pro-North Korean or pornographic material and the OpenNet Initiative ranks South Korea as being in the same league as China in terms of its web controls despite having one of the world's most advanced Internet infrastructures. Freedom of expression on the Internet has also been jeopardized by laws passed in 2008 that increased penalties for defamation, "false rumors" and malicious postings, similar to practices being imple-

mented in Singapore.
It is the increased Internet censorship that helped persuade U.S.-based Freedom House to downgrade South Korea press freedom and freedom on the net rankings to "partly free" from "free" in 2011, while Reporters Without Borders has listed South Korea as a country "under surveillance" in its "Enemies of the Internet" survey.

South Korea at 50th is still a long way from the record low ranking of 149th for press freedom that Reporters Without Borders gave Singapore this year, but if current trends continue, it could find itself in the same neighborhood some day.

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China Can't Mend Its Economy Without Fixing Its Politics

By the Editors

July 15, 2013 – The news that China's grose domestic product graw 7.5 percent from April to June – down from 7.7 percent in the first quarter—has provoked fewer gasps of horror than one might have expected. Chinese officials have been talking down the importance of the number for days. The mainland economy might ultimately grow 7 percent this year instead of at its usual double-digit rate, they've hinted. Nothing to worn yeabout.

These officials, from Prime Minister Li Koqiang on down, are speaking to two audiences: the global financial elike, and the tens of thousands of junior officials who administer Communist rule in China. Top leadern like Lu indentand that the Chinase economy needs to slow down. Too much money is flowing into unproductive investments – ghost apartment blocks empty of residents, millia chuming out stead that no one wants – and local officials, striving to meet high GDP growth tagets, are often to blame. By implying that such targets are no longer sacrosanct, Li means to encourage a focus on the quality rather than the quantity of growth.

He's hoping to engineer a "soft landing" for China's jumbo-jet economy, a gliding slowdown in which consumption, not misdirected investment and white-elephant projects, becomes the primary driver

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of growth. The effort is laudable and long overdue. Unless Beijing pushes ahead with political as well as market reforms, however, it is doomed to failure.

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All those officials out in the provinces are receiving mixed messages. For years they've been judged on their ability to meet the official growth targets, not surprisingly, most of them did so. White some failabilitied figures outright, many others furnised cheap credit to statio-owned companies and crony developers. Since the 2008 financial crisis, credit has ballooned to an estimated 178 percent of GDP from 115 percent. This, party leaders have declared, must stoo.

Yet local officials continue to be judged by something else — their ability to maintain stability. On any given day there are 500 "mass incidents" in China (an official term, elastically defined). Authorities often try to buy peace with payoffe, or by sanctioning make-work projects to keep proteeters employed and quiescent.

Li acknowledges that his reforms will cause pain when projects are canceled and inefficient enterprises shuttered. Yet the government has provided no new means for ordinary Chinese to

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Puffer-fish protests and Xi's China dream

Until the link between corruption and development can be severed, no official can savour his swordfish



S omething about the tale just did not add up: several hundred people turn up to protest because officials of a provincial city in China are eating swordfish, puffer fish and other forms of lethal seafood at the taxpayer's expense?

Sure, there's an austerity drive on in China: these days, bloated bureaucrats are not meant to be eating, drinking or being merry at public expense. But ordinary Chinese have been watching their unelected representatives gerge themselves on their tax remainbi for decades. Surely it takes more than another government anti-corruption campaign to rouse them to revolutions.

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So it's not hard to understand why social network-savvy Chinese would fire up their iPhones to watch Mr Zhang humiliate himself. But what were hundreds of people doing at the government offices watching him eat in the first place — rather than being at home on the couch watching (jing shoasty soap operas or reality besides sides not like they normally would be?

And that is where the story gets more interesting – not to mention more worrying for China's leaders. As it turns out, the reason so many people were banging around the offices of the state-owned Takhon Binjiang industrial park, in the eastern city of Takhou, was because they had a bone to pick with Mr Zhang quite apart from the adorementioned fish bones.

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As you read this, residents of the Shanghai suburb of Songjiang – appropriately, the same suburb that he recently had more than 10,000 dead pigs floating in its water supply – are trying to find a way to resist the construction of an electric car battery plant on their doorstep. (It is the same suburb whose river recently turned white because of illegal dumping by a local Apple supplier.)

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Stealing books for the poor



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the society "name you to deceasy "nee asked them. The presses, he sail, were a cash cow for the poverty-stricken region. The visitors were Coxed to retreat. The West constantly, and often justly. — critickies the Chinese government for sitting on its hands as movies, songs, books and I surry goods are counter-feeled and sold. But a more apt metaphor might be to say that its Januals are

tied. In the West, piracy is a matter of intellectual property — copyright, patents and trademarks — but in China, the issue is not just legal, but social. Why are take goods everywhere?

Why are finke goods everywhere? The administrator suggested part of the reason: Businesses producing prrated and knockoff goods have intricate connections to local gov erriments and officials. These enterprises are, plainly, major sources of tax revenue; less visbly, some officials have an economic stake in them.

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This column was translated by Allan H.



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Journalists: Yu Hua

Judges' Comments:

His deft use of fiction-writing technique, observant eye and insider knowledge make for pieces which are illuminating and impressive reading.

Stealing books for the poor



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BEIJING Eight years ago, a friend of mine had a book published, only to find almost immediately that it could be downloaded free on the Internet. He pointed this out to the General Administration of Press and Publication, the government agency that regulates news organizations and publishing houses in China, and soon the agency wrote back, asking for the names of the bootleg providers. He supplied three Web addresses, but months later it was still possible to download his book on those same sites. Years passed, and nothing changed.

All my works — my novels, essays and stories — can be downloaded free. My most recent book, "China in Ten Words," which cannot be published in maintand China because of the climate of censorship, was accessible online here as soon as it was released in Taiwan. Pirated hard copies of books circulate just as openly — my last novel, "Brothers," had been on sale in bookstores for only a few days when a copycat edition appeared in sidewalk stalls outside my house.

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tic security bureaus, for their part, are too busy handling criminal cases and economic crimes to have time or pirated books. Sometimes we see these agencies join force to smash book piracy rings, but that happens so infrequently that it has next to no effect on the problem.

After China joined the World Trade Organization, in 2001, it began to crack down on commercial presses that printed pirated books. But the crackdown left an important loophole, as pirating simply gravitated to two locations particularly resistant to enforcement: prisons and former Communist base areas.

Prisons, being under the purview of the judiciary, are exempt from the oversight of the culture bureaus' inspectors. Even the public security bureaus cannot readily gain entrance. These presses, staffed by immates who get only a small allowance for their labors, have become the most profitable in China.

Old revolutionary base areas that were Communist Party strongholds before 1949, when the People's Republic of China was founded, likewise enjoy a special status. They are typically in remote areas of poor provinces, like Shaanzi and Jiangzi. Several years ago, a publisher told me that he had traced pirated copies of his company's books back to a plant in a former base area. Members of his staff, along with cultural inspectors and police officers, made a long journey to the plant, but soon found themselves outnumbered by local police officers. The top county administrator also arrived on the scene. "Have you no decency?" he asked them. The presses, he said, were a cash cow for the poverty-stricken region. The visitors were forced to retreat

The West constantly, and often justly, criticizes the Chinese government for sitting on its hands as movies, songs, books and luxury goods are countercised and sold. But a more apt metaphor might be to say that its hands are tied. In the West, piracy is a matter of intellectual property — copyright, patents and trademarks — but in China, the issue is not just legal, but social.

Why are fake goods everywhere? The administrator suggested part of the reason: Businesses producing pirated and knockoff goods have intricate connections to local governments and officials. These enterprises are, plainty, major sources of tax revenue; less visibly, some officials have an economic stake in them.

But the most basic reason, in my view, is the huge demand for pirated and knockoff products. After more than 30 years of rapid economic development that made China the world's second-largest economy, there are still more than 100 million Chinese, mostly peasants, who make less than \$1 a day. Food and housing prices have been rising, creating an enormous market for counterfeit items among those without money. They can't afford genuine, guaranteed-quality products and can buy only cheap, counterfeit goods. They live surrounded by contaminated rice, adulterated milk powder, tainted vegetables, spoiled ham, unsafe toys, even fake eggs. Day after day, year after year, they consume substandard food and rely on defective supplies. Reading offers a means to improve their condition, and low-cost, pirated books are the only ones they can af-

Years ago, in a talk at a university, I sait: "I am opposed to counterfeiting in all forms, but so long as poverty is a huge problem in China, I think it's only proper that my books be pirated. I make enough to support my 'amily from the regular sales of my books." Some of my fellow writers disagree, but I still believe it.

This column was translated by Allan H. Barr from the Chinese.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: Financial Times

Title of Entry:
The China story

<u>Journalists:</u>
Patti Waldmeir

Judges' Comments:

Ms Waldmeir was highly rated by all three judges, who praised her refreshing attitude, humour and original choice of topics. She combines the highest standards of writing and research with the courage to flout conventional choices in news values and subject matter.



FINANCIAL TIMES

Puffer-fish protests and Xi's China dream - FT.com

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Puffer-fish protests and Xi's China dream

By Patti Waldmeir in Shanghai

Until the link between corruption and development can be severed, no official can savour his swordfish



Something about the tale just did not add up: several hundred people turn up to protest because officials of a provincial city in China are eating swordfish, puffer fish and other forms of lethal seafood at the taxpaver's expense?

Sure, there's an austerity drive on in China: these days, bloated bureaucrats are not meant to be eating, drinking or being merry at public expense. But ordinary Chinese have been watching their unelected representatives gorge themselves on their tax reuninbi for decades. Surely it takes more than another government anti-corruption camping to rouse them to revolution?

Granted, there is no shortage of public anger in China at governmental graft, greed and gluttony. That, presumably, is why almost half a million people watched the video of the puffer fish protest online – complete with lingering shots of the masticated detritus of the meal and moving footage of Zhang, Aihua, the government host, apparently knoeling on the table to beg forgiveness. No one can quite agree on exactly what he said then, or even whether he was really kneeling. He may have said something like: "I am your son, your grandson, I know I am worson," or maybe it was more like: "All of you are my parents who pay me, "And maybe he just lost his footing some onlookers say he was pleading with people to leave the prefabricated building where the banquet was held, for fear it would collapse—not asking forgiveness for the size of his publicly funded gut. But whatever he said, it was too little too late: with an alserity not normally associated with local governments in China, he was removed from office prouted.

So it's not hard to understand why social network-savvy Chinese would fire up their iPhones to watch Mr Zhang humiliate himself. But what were hundreds of people doing at the government offices watching him eat in the first place — rather than being at home on the couch watching (Ding dynasty soap operas or reality television shows like they normally would be?

And that is where the story gets more interesting – not to mention more worrying for China's leaders. As it turns out, the reason so many people were hanging around the offices of the state-owned Taizhou Bijiang industrial park, in the eastern city of Taizhou, was because they shad a bone to pick with Mr Zhang quite apart from the aforementioned fish bones.

Local newspapers report (and calls to local residents confirm) that the banquet protest was almost accidental: the protesters went to the park offices to complain about a land dispute. The local government is foreibly expropriating their land, in the name of economic development — and there's nothing new about that in China. They say they are not being paid enough money to move out of houses threatened by proximity to a new petrochemical plant. So the puffer fish protest was really part environmental and part plain old Nimby dispute. And those are a lot harder to handle than official eating disorders.

As you read this, residents of the Shanghai suburb of Songiang — appropriately, the same suburb that has recently had more than 10,000 dead pigs floating in its water supply — are trying to find a way to resist the construction of an electric car battery plant on their doorstep. (It is the same suburb whose river recently turned white because of illegal dumping by a local Apple supplier.)

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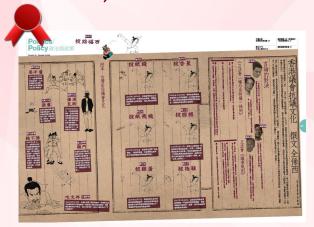
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Apple Daily, Taiwan branch



Bloomberg Businessweek (Traditional Chinese Edition)







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Bloomberg Businessweek (Traditional Chinese Edition)

Title of Entry:

The protest culture of Legislative Council meetings in Hong Kong 香港議會抗議文化

Journalists:

TSENG LEE YU

Judges' Comments:

Critical, comprehensive and selfexplanatory.







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Apple Daily, Taiwan branch

Title of Entry:

President Ma's Pretending Reconciliation

Journalists:

Wang Shih-chuan, Fung Chi-kit, So Tim-wah, Yu Wei-non, Chou Sheng-chung, Yu Pen-yuan, Mi Cheng-ho







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Judges' Comments:

Showed great editorial skills in simplifying complex and often confusing information and clarifying ideas for readers.

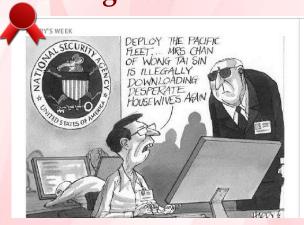
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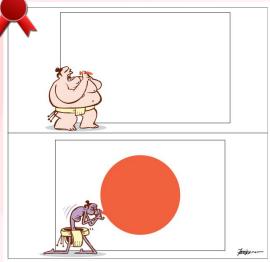
South China **Morning Post**



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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry:

Snowden: America's most wanted

Journalists:

Harry Harrison

Judges' Comments:

It would have been easy to come up with a million cartoons on Snowden but this series captures the sentiment in Hong Kong brilliantly.





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Publication:

The Straits Times/ The Sunday Times

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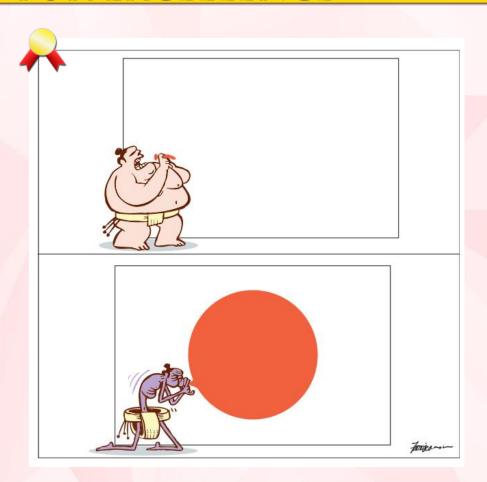
Reviving the land of the rising sun

Journalists:

Manny Francisco

Judges' Comments:

It captures perfectly Japan's situation with regard to its economy and overall security.



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Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報



Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報

Title of Entry:
Bloody Clothing
血肉衣裳

Journalists:

林熊、張軍







HONORABLE MENTION

Judges' Comments:

A big thank to the courage and wisdom of the reporter, whose text and pictures give us a powerful allegation to the consumer society.

報導徹底暴露美侖美奂的皮草大衣 背後被人忽視的殘酷現實。記者" 深入虎穴",揭發提供皮毛的動物 養殖場尤如動物地獄的情景。記者 的勇敢和智慧,得以讓圖文向消費 社會作出有力的指控。







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Global Views Monthly 遠見雜誌

Title of Entry:
Future Electricity.
Where Will It Come From?
未來的電 哪裡來?

Journalists:

高宜凡、王美珍、朱乙真







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Judges' Comments:

It brings us a three-dimensional understanding and enlightenment of the dilemma which is affecting the fate of our generations.





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Discovery Channel Magazine



Phnom Penh Post



The Bangkok Post





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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Phnom Penh Post

Title of Entry:

Last days of a valley damned

Journalists:

Journalists: May Titthara, David Boyle

and Danson Cheong;

Photographer: Will Baxter

Judges' Comments:

The resource, the devastation, the corruption, the threatened reporters — just a really excellent read and a thorough, important—and one hopes impactful—story.





AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

The Bangkok Post

Title of Entry:
Blood in the Forest

<u>Journalists:</u>
Piyaporn Wongruang

Judges' Comments:

Well reported, great quotes, strong human impact, multivalent, clean writing, all adds up to a frankly terrifying portrait of a fight over resources descending into bald violence and trumping shared humanity.





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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Bloomberg Businessweek

<u>Title of Entry:</u>
"Drowning Kiribati"

<u>Journalists:</u>
Jeffrey Goldberg

<u>Judges' Comments:</u> Heartrending. Hilarious. BRILLIANT.



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EXCELLENCE IN REPORTING ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Publication:

The International **New York Times**

Title of Entry: Environmental Turning Point in China

Journalists: Edward Wong

Judges' Comments:

This package of stories provides damning evidence of Chinese governmental awareness of a series of injurious events and ignored circumstances that are affecting the lives of millions.

International Herald Tribune

and plenty of unchartered territory



In China, state profits impede clean air

A national obsession, with foreign gear



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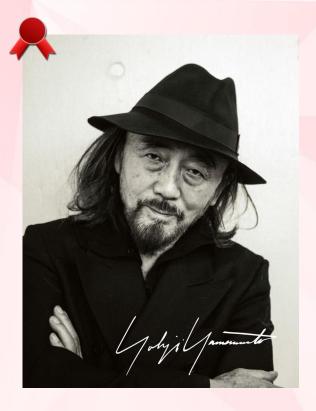
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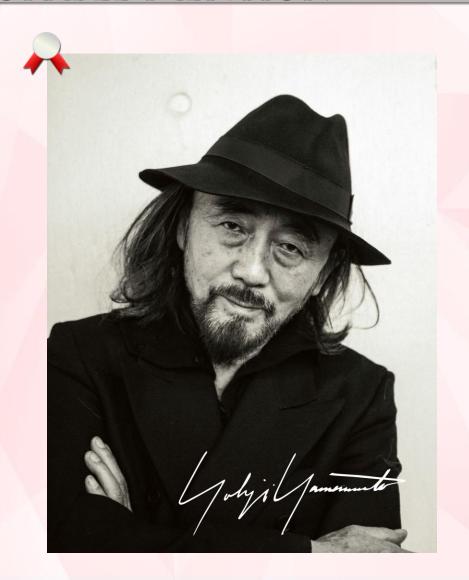
The Outlook Magazine

Title of Entry:
YOHJI YAMAMOTO

<u>Journalists:</u>
Mr Douglas Ho Kah Joon

Judges' Comments:

The photos are very successful in bringing out the personality and temperament of fashion designer Yohji Yamamoto in his more relaxed moments.



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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

EAST WEEK MAGAZINE 東周刊

Title of Entry:

Imported fresh chickens become invisible killers to Hong Kong people

揭病雞來源地 輸港鮮雞變隱形殺手

Journalists:

攝影師:張恩偉

Judges' Comments:

The photos have well captured the potential risk of the avian flu at its origin.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE





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South China **Morning Post**









Minimum thinking















Tasting Kitchen



Yahoo Malaysia





HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry: Minimum thinking

Journalists: **SCMP** photographers

Judges' Comments:

The portraits give us small but honest insight into the life of minimum wage workers in Hong Kong at the same time that confronts the public with an important social and economic issue.









Minimum thinking





















AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: Tasting Kitchen

Title of Entry: SPICE WORLD

Journalists: David Luke Hartung



Judges' Comments:

Beautifully shot in rich colors. Shows all the different aspects of the largest spice market in New Delhi.



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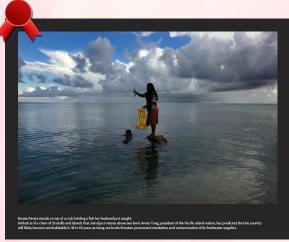


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TIME Asia



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Reuters

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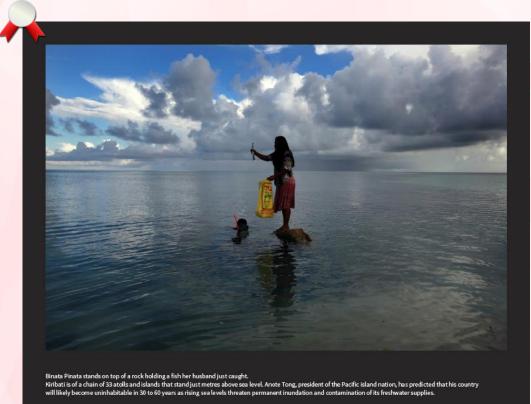
Kiribati: Gone in 60 years

Journalists:

David Gray

Judges' Comments:

In a brief glance, the picture looks simple. Yet it conveys a very clear message—the threat of the raising of sea level is something imminent.





AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

TIME Asia

Title of Entry:

Drug-Resistant TB in India

Journalists:

James Nachtwey



Judges' Comments:

This photographer remains at the top of the profession for good reason. It is obvious in every powerful photographic image that comes out of his camera.



AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE





HONORING THE EXCLUSIVE STORY THAT HAS A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND IS WIDELY FOLLOWED BY COMPETING NEWS MEDIA.







Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報



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Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報



Business Today







HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Business Today

Title of Entry:
Deadly artificial food

Journalists:

LEE, CHIEN - HSING; LINDA, LIN; HSU, CHIUNG - WEN

Judges' Comments:

The comprehensive and investigative reporting have helped raise public awareness and prompted authorities to take immediate action.







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報

Title of Entry:

Series on the conflict of interests of senior officials of Development Bureau in North East New Territories Development Plans 發展局高官新界東北利益衝突系列

Journalists:

林偉聰、韓耀庭、袁柏恩

Judges' Comments:

Through perseverance and with meticulous attention to detail, the enterprising reporters have managed to piece together an expose which sent shocks through Hong Kong's political system.





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THE SCOOP AWARD

Philippine Daily Inquirer



14 party-lists win seats

Kin of slain OFW, mutineers' groups are House first-timers

fisherman unaware of PH apology

Court of Appeals stops field trials of genetically modified eggplant

A CONTROVERSIAL group representing overseas Filipino workers (OFW) and another formed by former military mutineers vesterday made it to the

UNA wants explanation of '60-30-10' pattern



South China **Morning Post**

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Snowden: Washington bullying HK



South China **Morning Post**

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Prosecutor 'looking into' Barry Cheung graft case

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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry:

Zhou Yongkang

Journalists:

Staff reporters

Judges' Comments:

The SCMP has doggedly advanced this story ahead of the competition, maintaining its place as a must read for China watchers.



TARGET AT THE TOP

Zhou Yongkang facing inquiry

Senior leaders endorse move





Prosecutor 'looking into' Barry Cheung graft case

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THE SCOOP AWARD

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

South China Morning Post

Title of Entry:

Snowden breaks cover

Journalists:

Lana Lam

Judges' Comments:

This series embodies the idea of a scoop, with most of the world's media scrambling to cite or match the initial story. The SCMP did a fine job following up with other stories of interest from and about Snowden.



HONORING THE PUBLICATION THAT THROUGH THE USE OF ITS JOURNALISTIC RESOURCES, WHICH AS WELL AS REPORTING MAY INCLUDE EDITORIALS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND GRAPHICS, SERVES TO ADVANCE THE PUBLIC INTEREST ON A TOPIC OF SIGNIFICANCE, FOR EXAMPLE BY EXPOSING WRONGDOING OR CORRUPTION, UNCOVERING MALFEASANCE OR IN SOME OTHER WAY HOLDING THE POWERFUL TO ACCOUNT.









Apple Daily 香港蘋果日報



CommonWealth Magazine



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Judges' Comments:

Good investigative pieces which unveil facts that change the debate between development and conservation of rural areas in HK







AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Ming Pao 明報

Title of Entry:

Former ICAC Chief Scandal Exposed 揭發前廉政專員湯顯明醜聞

Journalists:

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Judges' Comments:

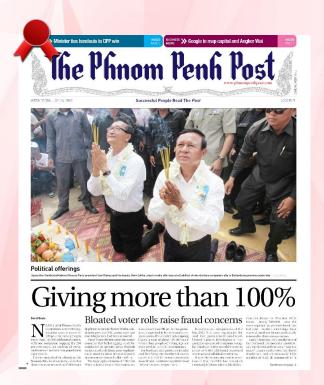
Great investigative reports that helps safeguard the rule of law and clean government, which are amongst the core values of Hong Kong.





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Phnom Penh Post



The Bangkok Post



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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

The Bangkok Post

Title of Entry:

Rampage at Ramkhamheang

Journalists:

Piyaporn Wongruang, Chaiyot Yongcharoenchai and Nattha **Thepbamrung**

Judges' Comments:

Impressively detailed reconstruction





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ARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication: Phnom Penh Post

Title of Entry: Giving more than 100%

Journalists:

Reporter: David Boyle

Judges' Comments:

David Boyle's close examination of records shows in a black-and-white way just how prevalent voter fraud is, or could be, in Cambodia.



Doposition Cambodia National Rescue Party president Sam Rainay and his deputy. Kem Sokha, stop to make offerings at a Buddhist shrine during a campaign rally in Battambang province yesterday. 🗝 🕮 🕾

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Dhong with his wife, Salome Photograph by Cam Simpson/Bloom

Nov. 11 issue. Apple Chief Executive Officer Tim Cook, 52, who oversaw the supply chain for Apple for years before succeeding Jobs, had planned what executives and analysts called the most aggressive production-and-launch schedule ever attempted by Apple - or, given its scale, speed, and complexity, possibly by any company.

Even though relatively few units had been produced by the time Schiller took the stage on Sept. 12, 2012, the iPhone 5 would go on the market in the U.S. and eight other countries nine days later. By year's end it would be in the stores

Reuters



The persecution of Myanmar's minority Muslims

April 8 - December 5, 2013 Yangon and Melkhtila, Myanmar and Ranong, Thailand

The Wall Street **Journal Asia**





Sisi Officially Declared President

TACLOBAN, Philippines-Framed by

mountains and facing the deep sapphire

waters of the Pacific Ocean, Tacloban

provincial capital had a busy port and

seaside cathedrals, and is just a few

minutes up the road from the site where

U.S. Gen. Douglas MacArthur landed to

re-take the Philippines from Japanese

forces in World War II. On weekends.

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miles around would flock to the city to take

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Typhoon Haiyan: How a Catastrophe Unfolded

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By TE-PING CHEN, JAMES T. AREDDY and JAMES HOOKWAY CONNECT Undated Nov 26, 2013 8:02 n m, ET



After Supertyphoon Haiyan hit the Philippines even key leaders were swept up in the tsunamilike storm surge. The WSJ's Ramy Inocencio speaks with a national Cabinet minister, the Tacloban mayor, a Red Cross head and a Catholic official on the harrowing crisis of Haiyan through their eyes



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But many of their efforts, it turned out.



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HONORABLE MENTION

Publication:

Reuters

Title of Entry:

The persecution of Myanmar's minority Muslims

Journalists:

Jason Szep and Andrew R.C. Marshall

Judges' Comments:

An impressive look at a dangerous practice of piracy-for-ransom in a remote area of Southeast Asia, as well as a finely illustrated look at the phenomenon of Buddhist-Muslim relations in Myanmar, seldom portrayed in western media and chronicled here in rich detail.





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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Publication:

Bloomberg News

Title of Entry:

Tech's Hidden Costs

Journalists:

Cam Simpson, Melissa Pozsgay and Flynn McRoberts

Judges' Comments:

An important and well researched look at the realities behind the division of labour in a global economy, and the price that workers in Asia pay for to produce the tech devices that power the modern world.



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Nine-Day Sprint

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India Women Choosing Sterilization Suffer Rusty Scalpel for \$10

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June 12, 2013 – Sumati Devi knew before she arrived at the grimy government clinic in northern India that she would be paid to be sterilized.

She dish't know that she would lie on an operating table with bloody sheets, that the scalpel used to open her up would be stained with rust or that she was supposed to first get counseling on other birth-control methods before giving consent to have her fallopian tubes cut and tisd.

The main reason Devi had agreed to be sterilized at all was because the \$10 she received – equivalent to about a week's wages for a poor family – would help feed her three children.

"I did it out of desperation," said Devi, 25, as she lay on the concrete floor recuperating at the clinic in the state of Bihar. "We're so poor, we need the money. Health officials came to our home. They told us it would be best."

When it comes to family planning, women are on the front lines in India, which has carried out about 37 percent of the world's female sterilizations. Government-imposed quotas and financial incentives for doctors mean 4.6 million women were sterilized last year, marry for cash payments and marry in the unsanitary and rudimentary conditions that greeted Devi.

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Patients get registered for a free sterilization procedure at the Mohan Lal Gautam District Women's Hospital in Aligarh, India. Pressgrapher: Muenata Curatal NAP Phono

Vasectomies, by contrast, accounted for just 4 percent of all sterilizations.

"This is a sign of how downtrodden women are in India, that they don't even have control of their reproductive rights," said forery McBroom, the director of reproductive rights at the New Dalhi-based Human Rights Law Network, which helped to file a court case against the government last year documenting abuse at sterilization camps. "Women are the easiest prey, whether it is government officials or their busbands asking them to undergo the operation."

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