## HONG KONG

HIGH IDEALS, RISKY STRATEGIES

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## THE CENTRAL MISPERCEPTION

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# THE BASIS OF COMPROMISE

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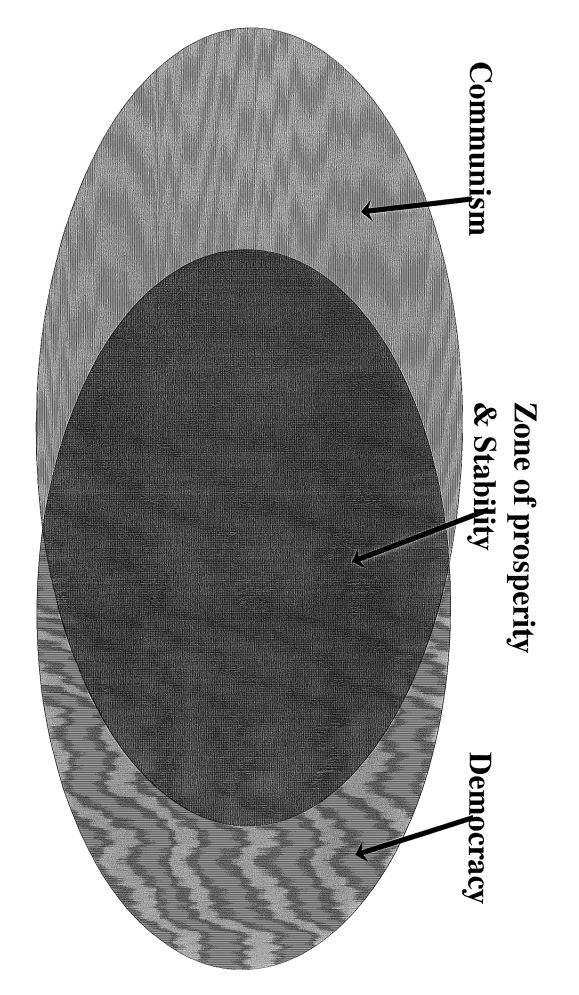
OVERLAPPING INTERESTS

STRUCTURAL CONGRUENCE

### CAN IT WORK?

- LONG HISTORY OF ENCLAVE SYSTEM
- SUCCESS OF TAIWAN, KOREA EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES
- CONTINUITY UNDER STRESS
- CULTURAL REVOLUTION
- MACAO
- TIANANMEN SQUARE
- RECORD OF HONORING AGREEMENTS
- CONSENSUS IN BEIJING
- DESIRE TO SET EXAMPLE FOR TAIWAN

## THE BASIC COMPROMISE



### THREE MYTHS

- BRAIN DRAIN
- CAPITAL FLIGHTCORPORATE FLIGHT

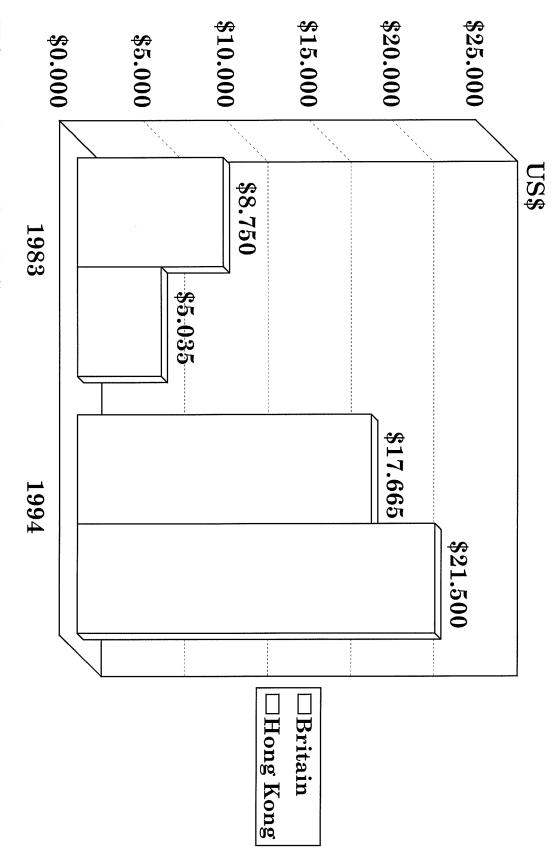
# THE "BAD" YEARS, 1981-1991

6.1 Million TEU	1.3 Million TEU	Cargo
24600	10880 (1980)	U.S. Expats
2828	1261	Foreign Companies
10th in world	20th in world	Trade Rank
\$68.8 Billion	\$4 Billion	Re-Exports
\$98.6Billion	\$15.3 Billion	Total Exports
\$81.6 Billion	\$21.6 Billion	GDP
1991	1979	

HK Census & Statistics Dept.

### Per Capita Income

While Hong Kong Was Dying



IFS 1995 Yearbook, HK Government

## HONG KONG'S ROLES

- AIRLOCK FOR CHINA
- ENTREPOT
- REGIONAL FINANCIAL CENTER
- SERVICE HEADQUARTERS FOR ASIA GLOBAL SERVICE INTEGRATOR
- REGIONAL MANUFACTURING MANAGER
- MNC HEADQUARTERS
- TOURIST CENTER

# THREE DIFFICULT WORDS

- AUTONOMY
- ELECTION CONSULTATION

## CENTRAL BALANCES

- NON-SUBVERSION VS. DEMOCRACY
- **V** LEADERSHIP
- √ PRESS
- DEMOCRACY VS. EFFECTIVENESS
- **✓ LEGISLATION**
- ✓ PRESSURE GROUPS
- FREEDOM FROM ABUSE VS FREEDOM FROM CRIME
- AUTONOMY VS. CONVERGENCE

#### KEY ISSUES

- RULE OF LAW
- CURRENT SYSTEM REMAINS
- JUDGES WILL BE CHOSEN AS NOW
- CFA ARRANGEMENTS BROADLY SATISFACTORY
- FREEDOM OF THE PRESS
- **EXCEPT FOR ADVOCACY OF TAIWAN/HK** INDEPENDENCE
- SOME ISSUES OVER CHINA "SECRETS"
- TREND IN CHINA BETTER THAN IN MUCH OF SE  $\mathbf{ASIA}$
- PROVISIONAL LEGISLATURE
- BRITAIN: DEMOCRACY
- CHINA: SOVEREIGNTY

#### BUMPS

- WASHINGTON/LEGCO CONFRONTATION RUN ON CURRENCY **15TH PARTY**
- 15TH PARTYCONGRESSJUNE 30 DEMO?

## SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

- CHINA'S PERSPECTIVE
- CHINA'S GROWTH
- HONG KONG'S GROWTH
- TAIWAN RELATIONSHIP
- CHINESE SOVEREIGNTY
- BRITAIN'S PERSPECTIVE
- HONG KONG'S FREEDOMS
- HONG KONG'S DEMOCRACY
- THERE'S A BASIS FOR A DEAL

#### STRATEGIES

- CHINA: HEAVY-HANDED CONTROL
- FREDERICK FUNG
- TEACHERS UNION
- LUTHERANS
- BUT BACK OFF WHEN PRESSED
- PATTEN: SARCASTIC CONFRONTATION AND WILL ALLOW DEMOCRATS TO COMPETE
- ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY
- · ALL WHO DISAGREE
- ESP. BUSINESS COMMUNITY
- TAUNTS LU PING ABOUT BACK DOOR
- INTERNATIONALIZATION

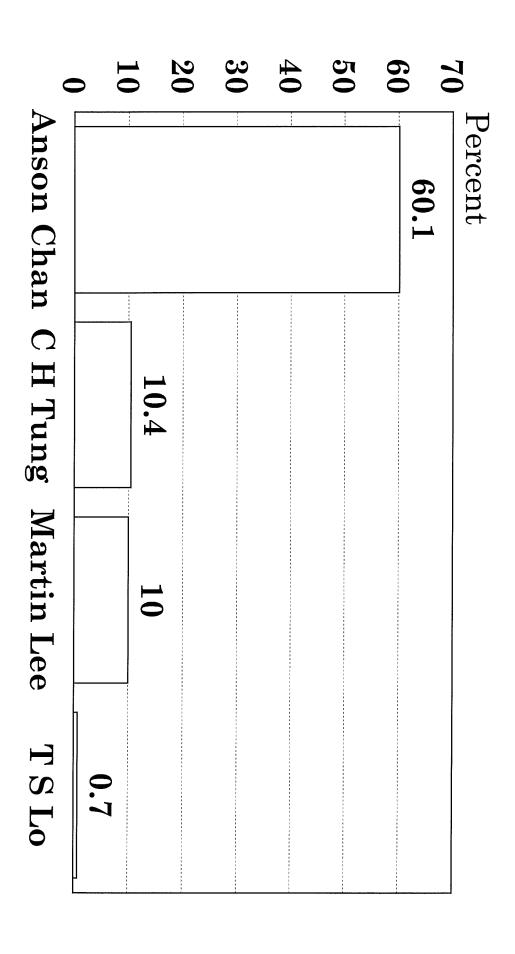
## CHINESE FLEXIBILITY?

- WHAT'S NEGOTIABLE
- CAPITAL GAINS TAX
- COURT OF FINAL APPEAL
- DEMOCRATS' ROLE
- WHAT'S NOT
- NON-SUBVERSION RULE
- MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON LEGCO
- ► ISSUE IS SOVEREIGNTY NOT DEMOCRACY

#### CHINESE COMMITMENTS TO HK FINANCIAL STABILITY

- HK GOVT TO FORMULATE OWN MONETARY & FINANCIAL POLICIES
- PBOC-HKMA WORKING RELATIONSHIPS SUPERB
- HK CURRENCY WILL REMAIN AUTONOMOUS
- SOLE LEGAL TENDER
- NO FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTROLS ALLOWED
- PBOC TO SUPPORT HK IN CRISIS BUT ONLY IF ASKED
- **EXCHANGE FUND MANAGED SOLELY BY SAR**
- CHINESE BANKS WILL BE TREATED AS FOREIGN
- FOREIGN CHINA & HK WILL TREAT EACH OTHER'S DEBTS AS

#### EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP WHO DOES HONG KONG WANT?



Asia Commercial Research Poll/South China Morning Post, Aug 7, 1996

#### WHAT DOES HONG KONG WANT? EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

✓ CAN GET ALONG WITH CHINA **√ WILL STAND UP FOR HONG KONG √** GOOD ADMINISTRATOR ✓ COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRACY

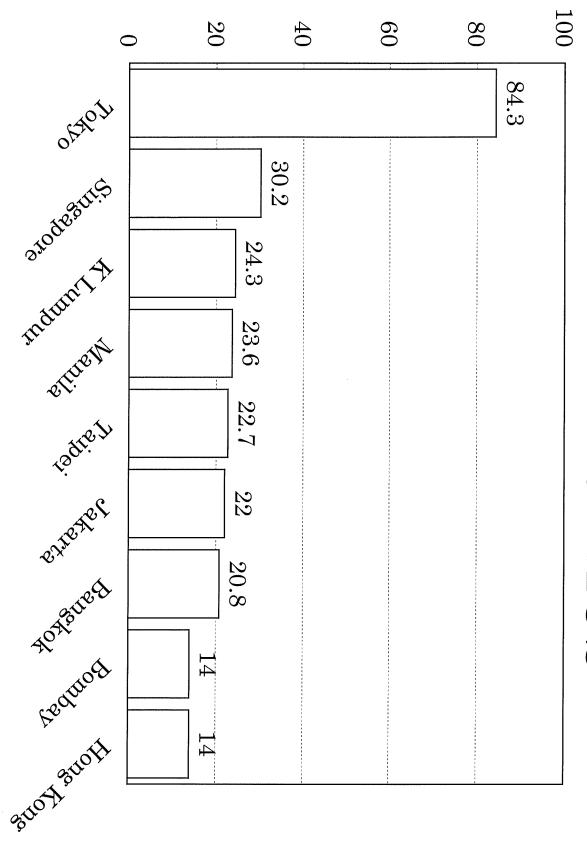
## SIGNS OF RESILIENCE

- FOREIGN BUSINESS CONFIDENCE AT HIGHEST MODERN LEVEL
- STOCK MARKET VIGOROUS
- PROPERTY PRICES RISING NET INFLOWS OF CAPITAL, PEOPLE
- LOW UNEMPLOYMENT RETAIL SALES IMPROVING
- YOUNG WOMEN NO LONGER INSIST ON HUSBANDS WITH FOREIGN PASSPORTS

#### HK-GUANGDONG INTEGRATION

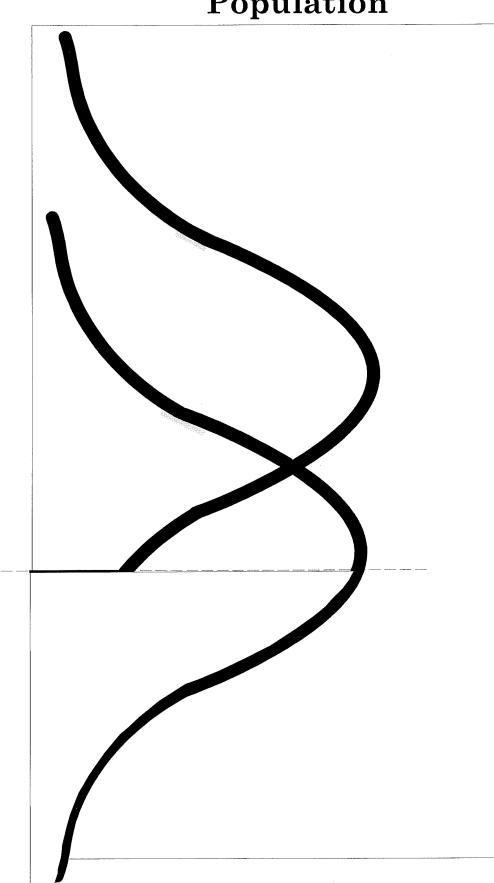
- 1/2 OF GUANGDONG INDUSTRIAL HONG KONG WORKFORCE EMPLOYED BY
- 2/3 OF CHINA'S FOREIGN KONG INVESTMENT COMES FROM HONG
- 4/5 OF ALL GUANGDONG INVESTMENT COMES FROM HONG KONG
- 5/6 OF ALL HK FIRMS' EMPLOYEES ARE IN GUANGDONG

## ASIA P/E RATIOS



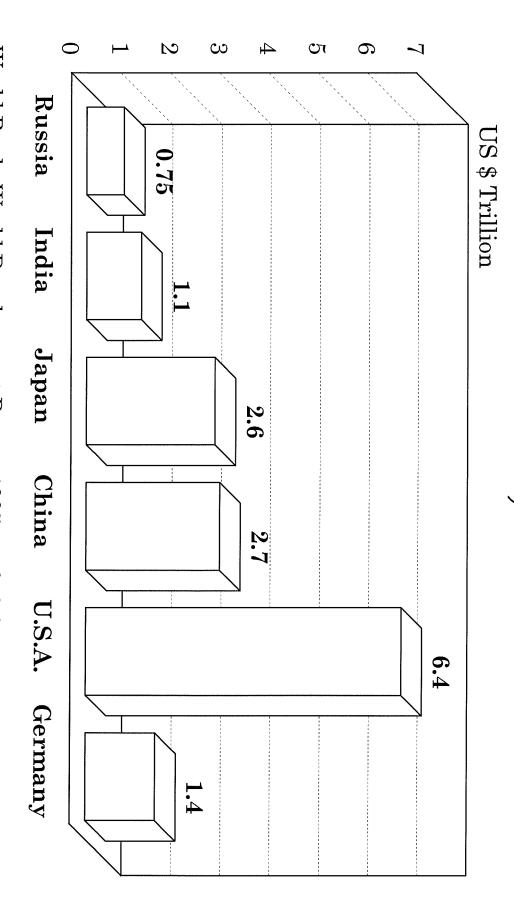
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Income

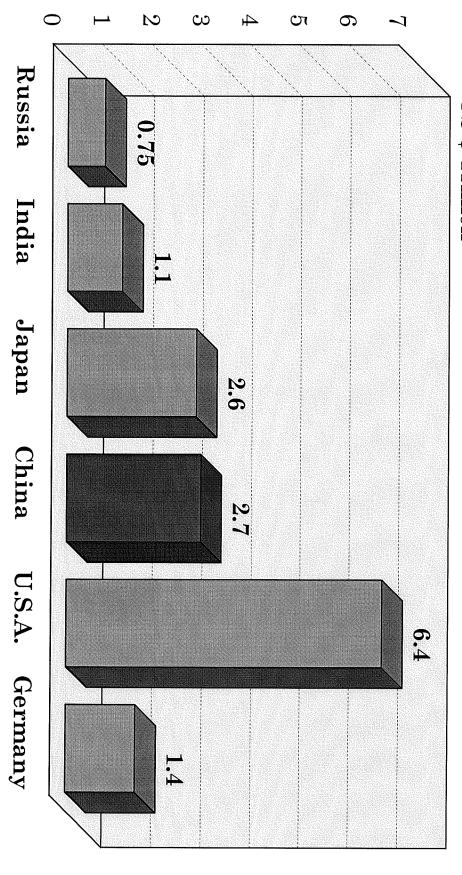
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