

Biden Time with Bully

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What's more provocative: visiting friends or threatening a military invasion?

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is rumored to be visiting Taiwan in August, to see our friends who have made the most miraculous political advances of the last half century, from a repressive authoritarian society through four decades of martial law to arguably the most democratic and free nation in all of Asia.

Not to mention blossoming into an economic powerhouse that produces "roughly 90% of the world's most advanced chips."

"[T]he chip industry is dominated by manufacturers in the small island of Taiwan," informs *Fortune*. "Policy makers in the U.S. have started to see that as a problem."*

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What's problematic? Well, Xi Jinping and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), ruling over both the world's most populous country and the world's fastest growing armed forces, constantly threatens a military assault to conquer the "renegade Chinese province."

They want us *not* to be friends with the Taiwanese. No talking. No holding hands.

Last week, Beijing warned the U.S. against allowing Pelosi's visit.



Chinese spokesman Ma Xiaoguang "said today that some people in the US government and Congress are constantly provoking and playing the 'Taiwan card' . . . and the mainland will 'resolutely strike back,'" Taiwan's government news service reported.

Asked about the possible trip, President Joe Biden offered: "Well, I think that the military thinks it's not a good idea right now. But I don't know what the status of it is."

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Moreover, from U.S. statements and actions, all the world expects America to step up for democratic Taiwan against a violent takeover by totalitarian China.

Even China thinks so.

And what does Pelosi think? "It is important for us to show support for Taiwan," Pelosi told reporters.

She's right.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.

* Also last week, Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo called a disruption of the supply of computer chips from Taiwan a "scary