



Look Around

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Yesterday [marked](#) the 34th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre. Not in China, where the Communist Party (CCP) has always clubbed down any public remembrance of the thousands murdered on that day by the bullets from the so-called People's Liberation Army.

While Hong Kong long witnessed massive June 4 vigils — even [under](#) COVID restrictions — that changed after the [draconian](#) National Security Law in 2020. Still, this year public silence required the Chinazis to [arrest](#) more than 30 Hong Kongers, some for “suspicion of carrying out acts with seditious intent.”

Seems our “leaders” quite quickly forgot about the Butchers of Beijing . . . and only now are waking up to the threat the CCP poses via their embrace of totalitarianism, their military build-up, the [biggest](#) since World War II, and their claims to Taiwan as well as the entire South China Sea.

“China has been bullying its neighbors for years,” explains Chris Chappell, host of *China Uncensored* on [Rumble](#), before adding: “Now its bullying is coming back to bite it.”

Chappell notes that “[e]ven countries that kinda hate each other, like Japan and South Korea, have been teaming up because of the China threat.”

Mr. Chappell offers:

- “Thanks to China, last year Japan announced a plan to double its military budget.”
- South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol recently called Taiwan “a global issue” and joined President Biden in “[opposing] any unilateral attempts to change the status quo.”
- “Australia is beefing up its military — specifically in response to China.”
- “The Philippines . . . has moved back to closer ties with the United States, allowing the U.S. to expand its military presence there.”
- “India is also increasing its defense budget.”

This allied response has been spurred not by U.S. arm-twisting, but good old-fashioned fear.

Chappell also applauded open collaboration with the U.S. and NATO by South Korea, Japan, Australia, and New Zealand. But he dubbed NATO's declaration of China as “a security challenge” “the understatement of the year.”

Attested by the weekend's [near collision](#) of Chinese and U.S. naval vessels in the Taiwan Strait.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.

Note: *China Uncensored* also plays on [YouTube](#), but, as Chappell complains, “YouTube frequently demonetizes, suppresses, and secretly unsubscribes people from this channel.”