

Summarized Results of the Public Opinion Survey on the "Public's View on Current Cross-Strait Relations"

(July 9~12, 2021)

- Over 70% of the public oppose the statement by the leader of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) that resolving the Taiwan issue and achieving unification are the historical missions of the CCP and that the two sides must adhere to the "one China" principle and "1992 Consensus," promote the peaceful unification of the motherland, and crush "Taiwan independence" (76.1%). Nearly 90% of respondents oppose the CCP's "one country, two systems" proposition (89.2%) and its military exercises around Taiwan with military aircrafts and warships in an attempt to threaten Taiwan by force (88.7%).
- About 80% of the public oppose the CCP and Hong Kong Government's demand that Taiwanese personnel posted in Hong Kong sign a "Letter of Commitment to One China" (81.7%). Nearly 70% of respondents approve of the government's operational adjustments at the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Hong Kong in order to maintain essential operations (68.1%). A similar percentage support the government to propose amendment to the Act Governing Relations with Hong Kong and Macau (72.7%) in response to development in Hong Kong's situation.
- More than 80% of respondents disapprove of the CCP's criticism that Taiwan is "using the pandemic to seek independence" by accepting vaccine donations from the US and Japan (87.5%). Over 70% support the government to strictly review entry permit applications from mainland China to maintain national security once the pandemic abates and borders reopen (71.7%).

- Around 80% of the public support the government's position that the CCP must face up to Taiwan's proposition of basing interaction between the two sides of the Taiwan Strait on "peace, parity, democracy, and dialogue" to unfold positive cross-Strait interaction and relations (80.0%). Nearly 90% of respondents support the position that Taiwan's future and the development of cross-Strait relations must be decided by the 23 million people of Taiwan (89.4%).

I. Survey Background and Methods

In order to understand the views of the Taiwanese people on issues related to cross-Strait relations, the Mainland Affairs Council commissioned Taiwan Real Survey Co., Ltd. to conduct a telephone survey between July 9 and 12, 2021. The survey included adults aged 20 and over in Taiwan. A total of 1,071 valid samples were obtained, with a 95% confidence level and a sampling error of plus or minus 2.99%.

II. Major Findings

(1) Views on the CCP party celebration and the situation in Hong Kong

Over 70% of the public disapprove of the CCP leader's statement during the celebration of the Party's founding that resolving the Taiwan issue and achieving unification are the historical missions of the CCP and that the two sides must adhere to the "one China" principle and the "1992 Consensus," promote the peaceful unification of the motherland, and crush "Taiwan independence" (76.1%). A similar percentage oppose mainland China for claiming that it would fully implement the policies of "one country, two systems," "Hong Kong governed by the Hong Kong people," and a high degree of autonomy while in reality has been

arresting and detaining senior executives of Hong Kong's Apple Daily and Next Media and the pan-democrats (82.2%).

Over 80% of the public oppose demands by the CCP and Hong Kong government that the Taiwanese personnel posted in Hong Kong sign a "Letter of Commitment to One China" as a precondition to obtain work visas (81.7%). About 70% of the public support the government's operational adjustments to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Hong Kong office aimed at maintaining essential operations due to Taiwanese staff members' untenability to remain in or assume their posts (68.1%). The public also support the government to make amendment to the Act Governing Relations with Hong Kong and Macau in response to developments in Hong Kong by strengthening various reviews to safeguard the overall interests of the country (72.7%). A similar percentage support the establishment of the Taiwan-Hong Kong Office for Exchanges and Service specifically for providing convenient services and necessary care to Hong Kong people (73.3%). The majority of respondents also approve of the government for joining other democratic countries to support the people of Hong Kong in their fight for democracy and freedom; the public also support the government for providing humanitarian care and essential services to Hong Kong people entering Taiwan through legal channels (73.3%).

(2) Views on the CCP's actions towards Taiwan and the COVID-19 pandemic

More than 80% of respondents disapprove of the CCP's criticism that Taiwan is "using the pandemic to seek independence" by accepting vaccine donations from the US and Japan (87.5%). More than 40% disagree with the statement that, "It is the CCP's deliberate two-pronged united front maneuver to deliberately obstruct Taiwan's procurement of vaccines from other countries while claiming to be welcoming for Taiwanese people to get vaccination in mainland China" (46.5%). Over 70% of the public support the government to strictly review entry permit applications from mainland China once the pandemic abates and

borders reopen to maintain national security and mitigate mainland China's united front and infiltration work against Taiwan (71.7%). Additionally, nearly 90% of the public disapprove of the recent military exercises conducted by CCP military aircrafts and warships around Taiwan in an attempt to threaten Taiwan by force (88.7%).

(3) Views on the government's cross-Strait policy and the future of cross-Strait relations

Nearly 90% of the public reject the CCP's "one country, two systems" proposal, which views Taiwan as a CCP-ruled local government and special administrative region and leaves no space for the existence of the ROC (89.2%). Around 80% of the public support the government's position that the CCP must forthrightly face Taiwan's proposition of basing interaction between the two sides of the Taiwan Strait on "peace, parity, democracy, and dialogue" to unfold positive cross-Strait interaction and relations (80.0%). Nearly 90% of the people support the government's emphasis that Taiwan's future and the development of cross-Strait relations must be decided by the 23 million people of Taiwan (89.4%).