

China's Environmental Challenges: the People's Response

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Balcony farming in Hunan

Source: Simon Song , South China Morning Post



Source: cargocycling.com



Gansu

Source: Associated Press



Taijiquan in Anhui Province

Source: AP



Tiananmen Square
Source: Associated Press



Tiananmen Square, 'Blue Sky' on LED Screen

Source: (Feng Li/Getty Images) January 23, 2013



Guanqiao Lake

Source: themysteryworld.com



Jiangxi province
Source: Associated Press



Guiyu E-waste

Source: thetechnologicalcitizen.com



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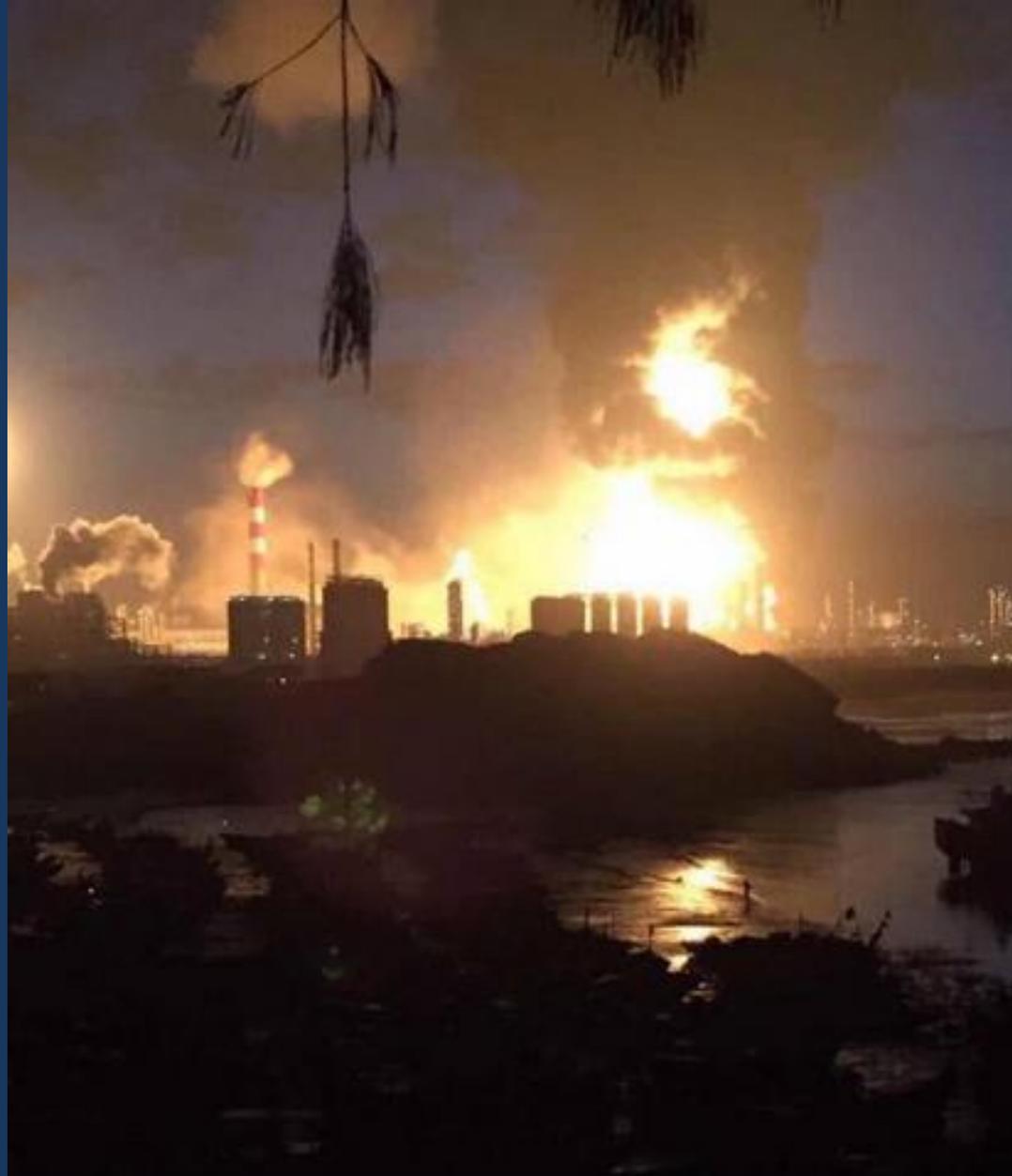
2012 Cadmium spill in Liuzhou city, Guangxi

Source: Wall Street Journal



16,000 dead pigs in Shanghai drinking water tributary, 2014

Source: Getty



PX plant explosion in Zhangzhou, Fujian April 6th, 2015

Source: www.hexun.com (Photo by: @林宸同学 at weibo)



Tianjin explosions August 12, 2015
Source: The Diplomat

Information politics
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Information Politics and Networking
Liang Congjie in Friends of Nature's Antelope Car
Source: *The Guardian*



Bearing witness:
Shi Lihong and Xi Zhinong

Source: www.facetofacemedia.ca



Yunnan Snub-nosed Monkey
By Xi Zhinong



JW's photography 2008



Accountability politics
Source: hk.apple.nextmedia.com



Accountability politics: Tiger Leaping Gorge dam site

Source: international rivers



Undercover Investigations
Source: Greenpeace



Naming and Shaming: Greenpeace Detox campaign

Source: vimeo.com



**ZARA is addicted to
hazardous chemicals**

Greenpeace Detox campaign

Source: Greenpeace



Greenpeace Detox campaign

Source: cdn.greenprophet.com



Symbolic politics: Street theater

Source: Greenpeace



Symbolic politics: Theater
Phosphate mining in panda habitat, Sichuan
Source: Greenpeace



Information Transparency: Ma Jun
Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs

Source: National Geographic



‘Pollution Map’ by IPE



Supply Chain Tactics Investigation of Apple supply chain

Source: IPE Apple report





A Map of China's Cancer Villages

Chinese reporter Deng Fei and Doubleleaf have Google Mapped China's cancer villages. A screenshot is below. See the Google Map here.

中国癌症村地图

中国癌症地图

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By doubleleaf

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(《江南时报》2004年报道) 因为靠近一家农药厂、
- 盐城市东台县新集镇宋进村
(《中国经济报》2008年报道) 受巨龙化工厂严重污
- 镇江市丹徒区高桥镇高桥村
(《中国环境报》2004年报道) 因水系污染, 仅在区
- 镇江市丹徒区黄墟镇土门村
(《中国环境报》2004年报道) 因水系污染, 仅在区
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璜塘镇溪泉渔场 (《江南都市报》
- 玉山县岩岭镇灵山桥村
(《人民日报》2006年报道) 村子附近的6个石灰窑
- 德州什坊市双庙镇李江村
(《中国经济时报》2009年报道) 该村除了地壳却
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- 韶关翁源县新江镇5个村庄
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- 简阳市简城镇民旺村
(《民主与法制》2004年报道) 因化工厂未经任何
- 长垣县常村镇前孙东村
(《广州日报》2007年报道) 严重的水体污染导致5



The map also provides news report details on each of the listed villages. The following is a portion of that list, translated by CDT:

CDT Highlights

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Celebrity activism:
Yao Ming in Wild Aid's anti-shark fin campaign

Source: Wild Aid



CEO activism: Alibaba chief Jack Ma supplies water pollution monitors for data upload
source: Bloomberg



Environmental Mass Incidents
“Taking a walk” Chengdu, 2008

Source: *New York Times/Associated Press*



Incinerator protest in Guangzhou, 2009

Source: globalvoicesonline.com



“Taking a walk” protest in Dalian, 2012

Source: *BBC*



Dalian PX protests

Source: Reuters



Source: Associated Press



A special role for journalists

Chai Jing and “Under the Dome”

March 2015

Chai Jing: Have you ever seen real stars? 你见过真正的星星吗?

Little girl: No.

王慧卿

山西孝义田家沟村

没有

新闻调查

2004年采访

Jing: Have you seen blue sky? 你见过湛蓝的天空吗?

Girl: A little blue in the sky.

新闻调查

2004年采访

Jing: Have you seen the clouds? 你见过白云吗?

Girl: No.

新闻调查

Source: < Under the Dome > by Chai Jing



History is made like this.
When millions of everyday people will say,
'No. I'm not satisfied. I don't want to wait.
I will not sit back. I will stand up and do something.
Right now, right here, right in this moment.'

— Chai Jing



"As a journalist, my job should be focused on writing a good report. But half of my effort is spent on considering how to get a story past the censors and the likelihood of punishment."

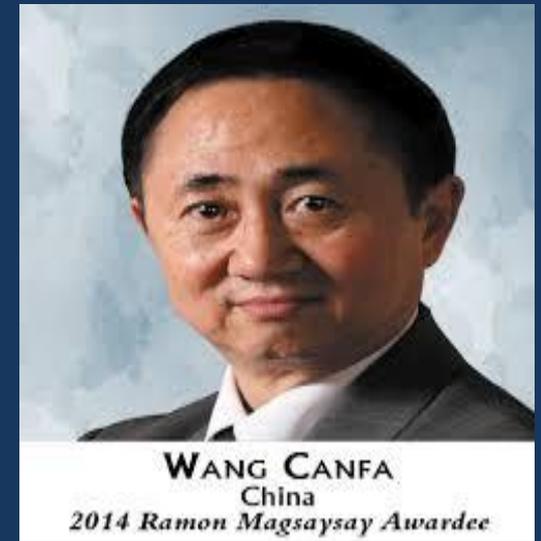
Liu Jianqiang

Source: cawa.fr



A New Environmental Law with teeth?

Source: xinhuanet



Public interest lawsuits



Public interest lawsuit

Taizhou Jiangsu chemical case, 2014. Polluters fined 160 million RMB (\$26,000,000 USD)

Source: Xinhua

New frontiers:
Monitoring China on the world
stage

Environmental Justice and the
Displacement of Environmental Harm

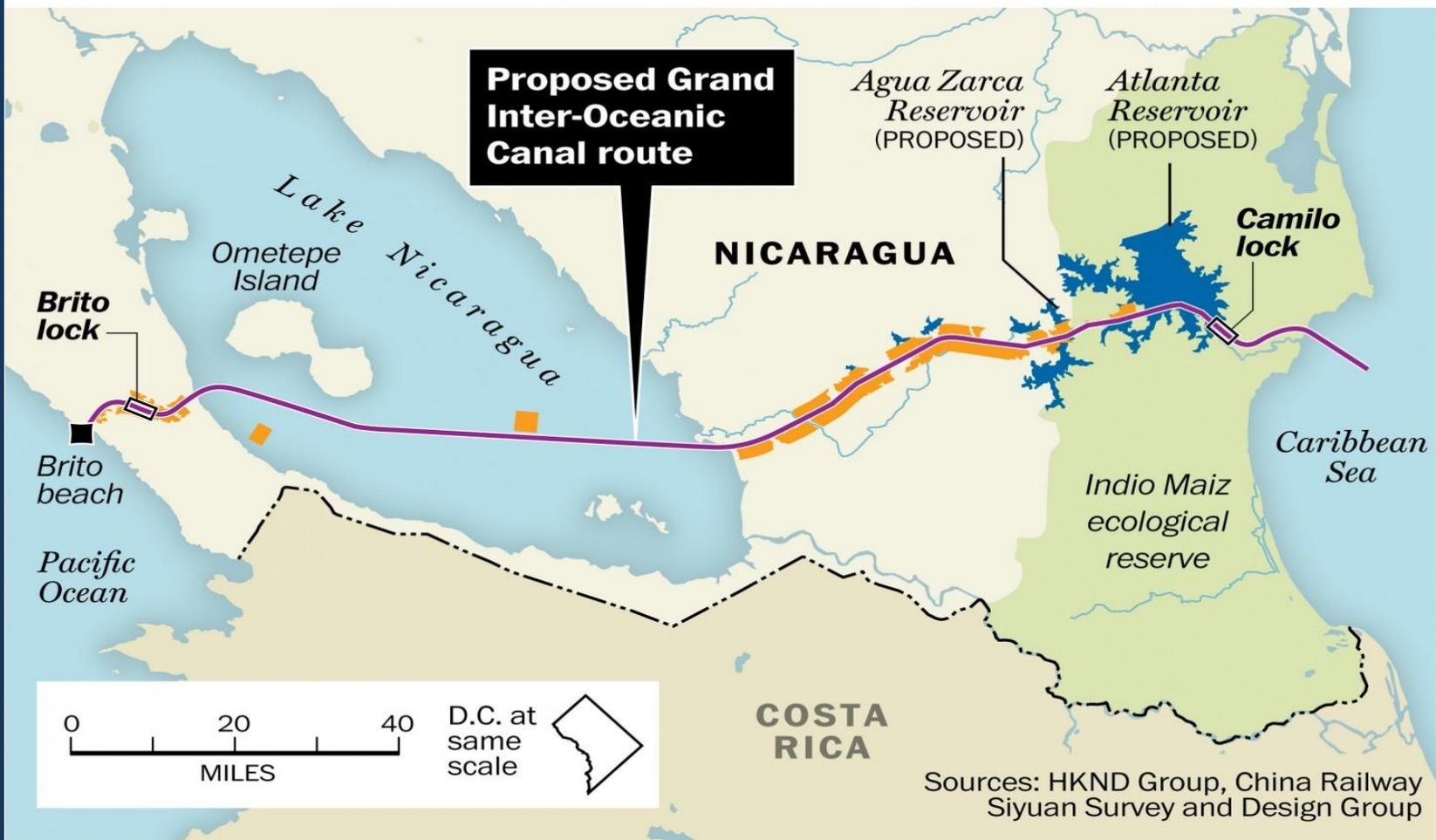


China's pursuit of minerals and fossil fuels in Latin America, Africa

Source: Sam Ayres; Inter-American Dialogue



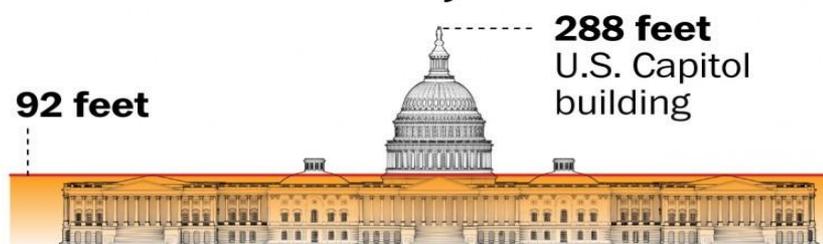
Sept. 2014 Protest over Sino-Cambodian dam
(Source: Asianews Agency)



To build the canal, 175 billion cubic feet of earth will need to be excavated.

 This earth will be piled in designated areas along the length of the canal.

If it were piled within the boundaries of the District, it would be 92 feet high across the entire city.



Source: the Washington Post



Demonstrators block Panamerican highway in Managua, December 2014
Source: La Prensa via REUTERS



PHOTOGRAPH BY Sandra Cuffe /Anadolu/Getty (Source: New Yorker)



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Thank you

