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# SILENT INVASION

CHINA'S INFLUENCE IN AUSTRALIA

by **Clive Hamilton**

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Respected academic Clive Hamilton realized something big was happening when, in 2016, it was revealed that wealthy Chinese businessmen linked to the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) had become the largest donors to both major Australian political parties. Hamilton began to investigate the Chinese government's influence in Australia. What he found shocked him.

From politics to culture, real estate to agriculture, universities to unions, and even in primary schools, he uncovered compelling evidence of the CCP's infiltration. It is no exaggeration to say the CCP and Australian democracy are on a collision course, with the CCP determined to win, while Australia looks the other way.

Thoroughly researched and powerfully argued, **SILENT INVASION** is a sobering examination of the mounting threats to democratic freedoms Australians have for too long taken for granted. Yes, China is important to Australia's economic prosperity; but, Hamilton asks, how much is sovereignty as a nation worth?

**'Anyone keen to understand how China draws other countries into its sphere of influence should start with Silent Invasion. This is an important book for the future of Australia. But tug on the threads of China's influence networks in Australia and its global network of influence operations starts to unravel.'**

—Professor John Fitzgerald, author of *Big White Lie: Chinese Australians in White Australia*

### SELLING POINTS:

- The book the Chinese government have threatened to stop, **SILENT INVASION** is likely to be the Australian publishing sensation of the year after two leading publishers in Australia abandoned publication plans in 2017 due to the threat of possible action from Beijing.
- Will be of great interest to US readers concerned about foreign influence in national affairs, especially in light of alleged Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential election.
- Throughout the book Hamilton regularly draws on global examples across investment, trade, politics and legislation in relation to China.
- This is an explosive issue – barely a day goes by without news reports of suspected Chinese government influence in Australia.
- Clive Hamilton is the highly respected author of seven books which have collectively sold over 75,000 copies worldwide.

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