

KIM PETERSEN INTERVIEWS JEFF J. BROWN: CHINA'S INFLUENCE ON THE WORLD STAGE, PART 3 OF 3

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Dispatch from Beijing

With Jeff J. Brown [/su_panel]



*C*hina and Russia have their work cut out for them, fighting for their countries, peoples, ways of life, and indirectly, for humanity's 99% and the survival of our Pale Blue Dot. This, against the onslaught of Western racism, capitalism, colonialism, imperialism, false flags, war, subterfuge and fascism. (Image by Blogspot)

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Mr. Kim Petersen is the well known former co-editor of the popular [*Dissident Voice*](#), now working regularly with the [*American Herald Tribune*](#). Kim is a stalwart fighter against racism, colonialism, empire and war. He has read Jeff J. Brown’s newest book, [*China Rising – Capitalist Roads, Socialist Destinations*](#). It inspired him to ask Jeff questions about China, the West, past, present and future. Kim’s penetrating questions got answers from Jeff that may surprise

or vex you, depending on your point of view.

This is the final installment of their 3-part interview:

<http://ahtribune.com/world/asia-pacific/1243-china-influence.html>

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Jeff is an editor at *The Greanville Post*. Another great website to stay focused on world events and geopolitics. They usually do a nice job of adding some extras:

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ABOUT JEFF BROWN

Jeff J. Brown—TGP's Beijing correspondent— is the author of [44 Days](#) (2013), [Reflections in Sinoland – Musings and Anecdotes from the Belly of the New Century Beast](#) (summer 2015), and [Doctor WriteRead's Treasure Trove to Great English](#) (2015). He is currently writing an historical



fiction, [Red Letters – The Diaries of Xi Jinping](#), due out in 2016. In addition, a new anthology on China, [China Rising, Capitalist Roads, Socialist Destinations](#), is also scheduled for publication this summer. Jeff is commissioned to write monthly articles

for [The Saker](#) and [The Greanville Post](#), touching on all things China, and the international political & cultural scene

In China, he has been a speaker at [TEDx](#), the Bookworm Literary Festival, the Capital M Literary Festival, the Hutong, as well as being featured in an [18-part series of interviews on Radio Beijing AM774](#), with former BBC journalist, Bruce Connolly. He has guest lectured at international schools in Beijing and Tianjin.

Jeff grew up in the heartland of the United States, Oklahoma, and graduated from Oklahoma State University. He went to Brazil while in graduate school at Purdue University, to seek his fortune, which whet his appetite for traveling the globe. This helped inspire him to be a Peace Corps Volunteer in Tunisia in 1980 and he lived and worked in Africa, the Middle East, China and Europe for the next 21 years. All the while, he mastered Portuguese, Arabic, French and Mandarin, while traveling to over 85 countries. He then returned to America for nine years, whereupon he moved back to China in 2010. He currently lives in Beijing with his wife, where he writes, while being a school teacher in an international school. Jeff is a dual national French-American.

["China Rising, Capitalist Roads, Socialist Destinations" by Jeff J. Brown on Ganxy](#)

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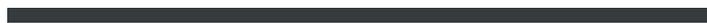
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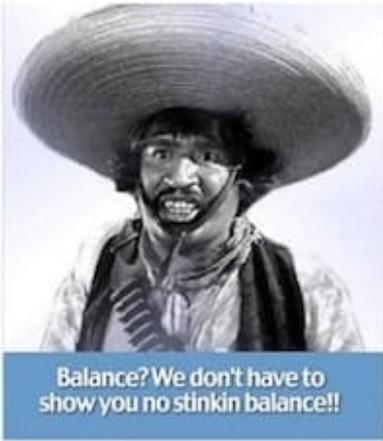
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Wechat group: search the phone number +8618618144837, friend request and ask Jeff to join the China Rising Radio Sinoland Wechat group. He will add you as a member, so you can join in the ongoing discussion.

["44 Days Backpacking in China- The Middle Kingdom in the 21st Century, with the United States, Europe and the Fate of the World in Its Looking Glass" by Jeff J. Brown @ www.44days.net on Ganxy](#)





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