As China rises, foreigners need to keep probing against cases of injustice on the mainland, writes J. Cohen.

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The tiger's claws

China is a bounding into the year with a tiger of self-confidence it has never felt before, secure in the belief that it is indispensable to the world and that its power, still enfolded into every corner of the earth. This self-belief is matched by a giddy sense of its own economic might.

In the opening days of the new year, the Chinese government seemingly feels more secure at the West and its allies are starting to look at China as a new reality.

In November, senior US official John Huang was summoned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Beijing for a meeting of both the Chinese and US delegations. The Chinese side demanded that, for the first time, the US should clearly state that it decries human rights abuses in China. It also demanded that the West end any sanctions against Chinese individuals.

The Chinese government is feeling so strong in its standing in the world's new balance that it has been able to tell off the West for the first time in history.

The media has been talking about the crisis in global capitalism that cannot be surmounted, yet the Chinese government is not even a little bit weaker. It is simply saying that it will not be a hegemon. But, especially in its home region, where patriotism is often channeled and directed against the US, it might well be that the US is in a much weaker position.

The US is being shunted aside, in the Chinese government's judgment, to a background role in the emerging world order.

As China looks around the world, it sees the US in decline and Europe in disarray.

Voices: Asia

Asians' finest: a force still worthy of our respect

Yuri Koeck

The name “suzuki” is the most famous in the realm of the motorcycles and the name “suzuki” is the only one in the world that is known for its high-quality products.

The Suzuki company has a long and glorious history in the automobile industry and has been the most successful car manufacturer in Japan. Its cars are renowned for their performance, reliability, and affordability.

Suzuki is one of the largest car manufacturers in the world, and its products are sold in over 100 countries. The company has a strong presence in Asia, where it is one of the leading manufacturers of motorcycles and scooters.

Suzuki has been recognized as one of the best companies in the world, and its products are highly regarded for their quality and performance.

Therefore, it is not difficult to understand why the name “suzuki” is so popular in Japan and in the world. The company has a strong reputation for producing high-quality products, and its cars are known for their reliability and performance.

Voices: Development

Donors old and new: shape the future of aid

Abhijit Banerjee and Robert Dubois

In 2007, when China hosted a G8 summit in Shanghai, the US and Japan were not able to agree on how to boost Pacific economic cooperation. The US did not want a Chinese-led surge of economic development in the region, which would challenge its own economic interests.

The Chinese government is confident that it can attract foreign investment and aid from the West and the rest of the world, and is not afraid to take a more assertive role in regional and global affairs.

The US and Japan are, however, still trying to come to terms with the changed reality in Asia. They are concerned about China's growing influence and its potential impact on the region's economic and security landscape.

As China becomes a more assertive player in the region, it is likely that the US and Japan will continue to compete for influence in the region. This will be a key challenge for the US and Japan as they try to maintain their economic and security interests in the region.

Overall, while the US and Japan are still trying to come to terms with China's rising influence, the Chinese government is confident that it can attract foreign investment and aid from the West and the rest of the world, and is not afraid to take a more assertive role in regional and global affairs.