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Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of any current year (FY94) cost: \$ None

POSITIONS

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
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TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

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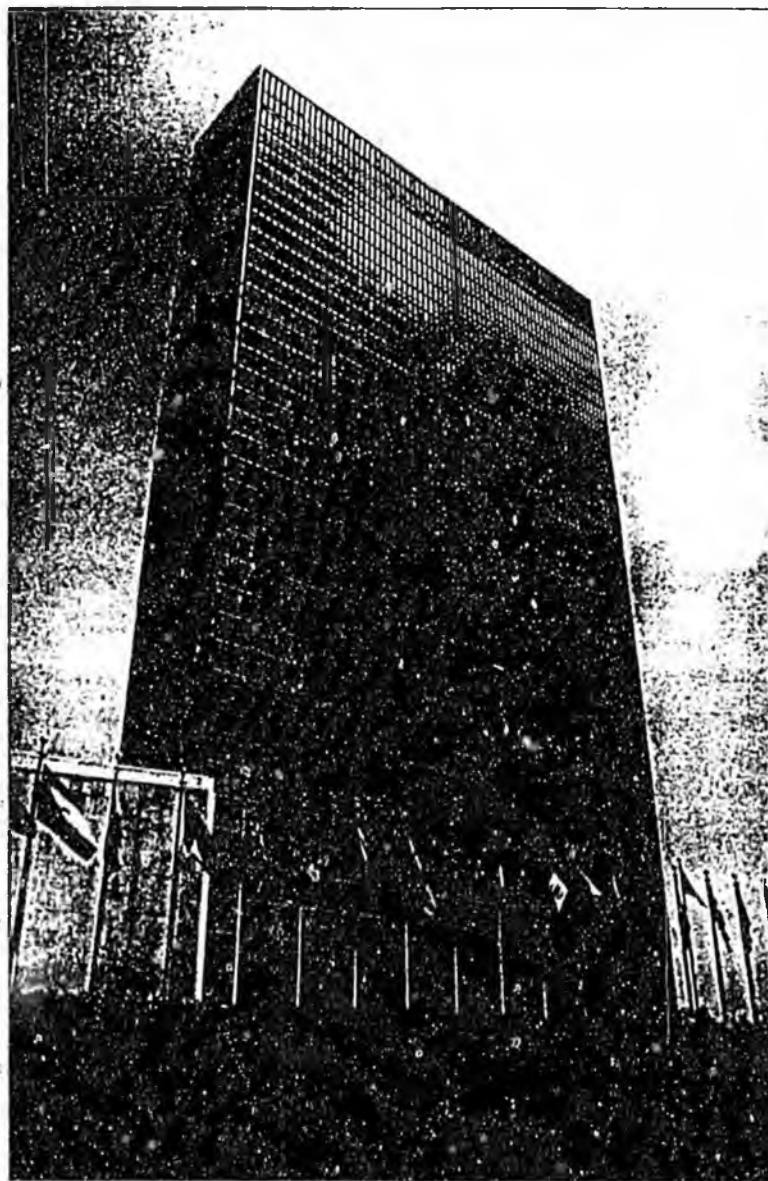
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The Republic of China on Taiwan

A Worthy Nation Deserves a U.N. Seat



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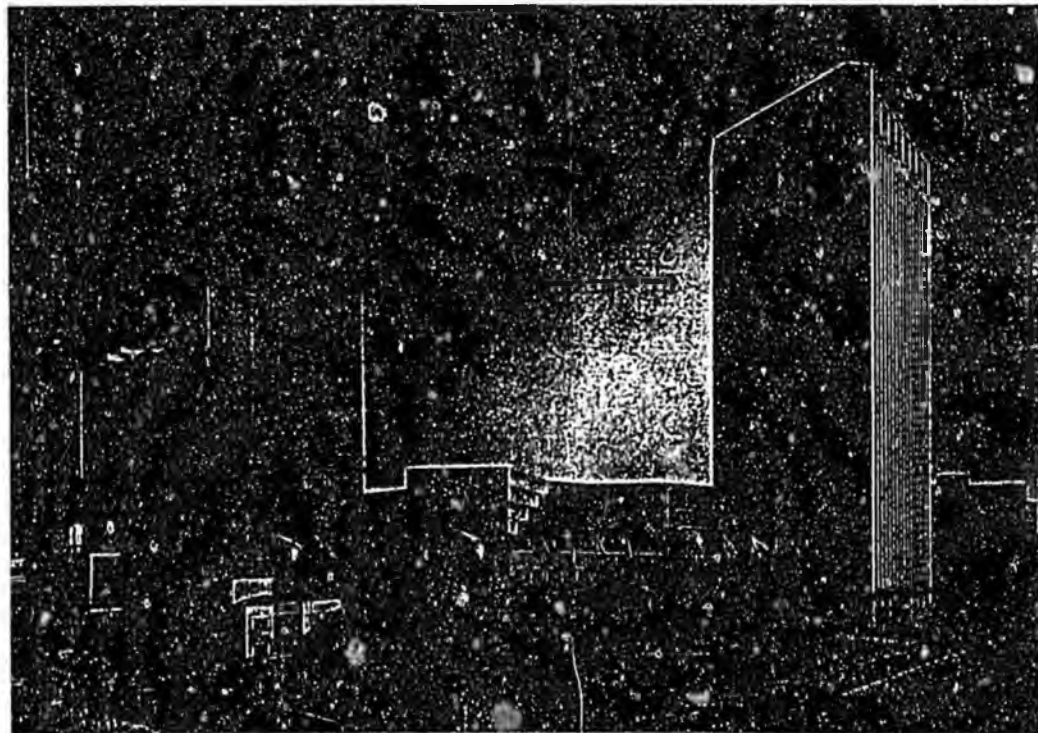
The ROC Barred From the U.N.

Can you believe that an open and vibrant society, which abides by international standards and is recognized as a friendly and peace-loving country, is barred from the United Nations?

Please pause and think. The country is the world's 14th largest trading nation and the owner of the world's first or second largest foreign exchange reserves. Its GNP ranks 20th in the world. It has nearly 21 million people, and each of them earns an average of US\$10,000 a year. It has become a major investor nation. It has also sent out more than 10,000 experts to train technicians in Asian, South Pacific, Latin American and African countries to develop their agriculture, fisheries, and livestock industries.

During the 1990 Gulf War, this country answered the United Nations' call for help by donating more than US\$32 million in relief aid. It is a democratic and newly industrialized country lauded as one of Asia's four "little dragons." Do you know this country? It is the Republic of China on Taiwan.

As one of the founding members of the United Nations, the Republic of China faithfully fulfilled all its responsibilities and abided by the U.N. Charter. Despite this, the United Nations adopted Resolution 2758 (XXVI), which snatched China's U.N.



The massive Taipei World Trade Center is the largest convention center of its kind in East Asia.

seat from the Republic of China and gave it to communist China, leaving the ROC's 21 million people unrepresented ever since.

The U.N. Resolution recognized the fact that the Chinese communists had controlled the Chinese mainland. It has resolved the issue of U.N. representation for the Chinese people on the mainland, but it has by no means resolved the problems arising from China's division and separate rule. Mainland China claims to represent Taiwan, but it has never exercised jurisdiction over the island. The world can no longer close its eyes to this fact and turn a deaf ear to the call of the 21 million Taiwan residents. They have been discriminated against harshly; their right to participate in international political, economic, and cultural activities has been ignored. Now that the Cold War has ended, people of conscience should not tolerate such an unjust condition in the "new world order." The Republic of China should not be mistreated any longer.



The ROC has sent technical missions to countries such as Honduras to help develop their pisciculture.



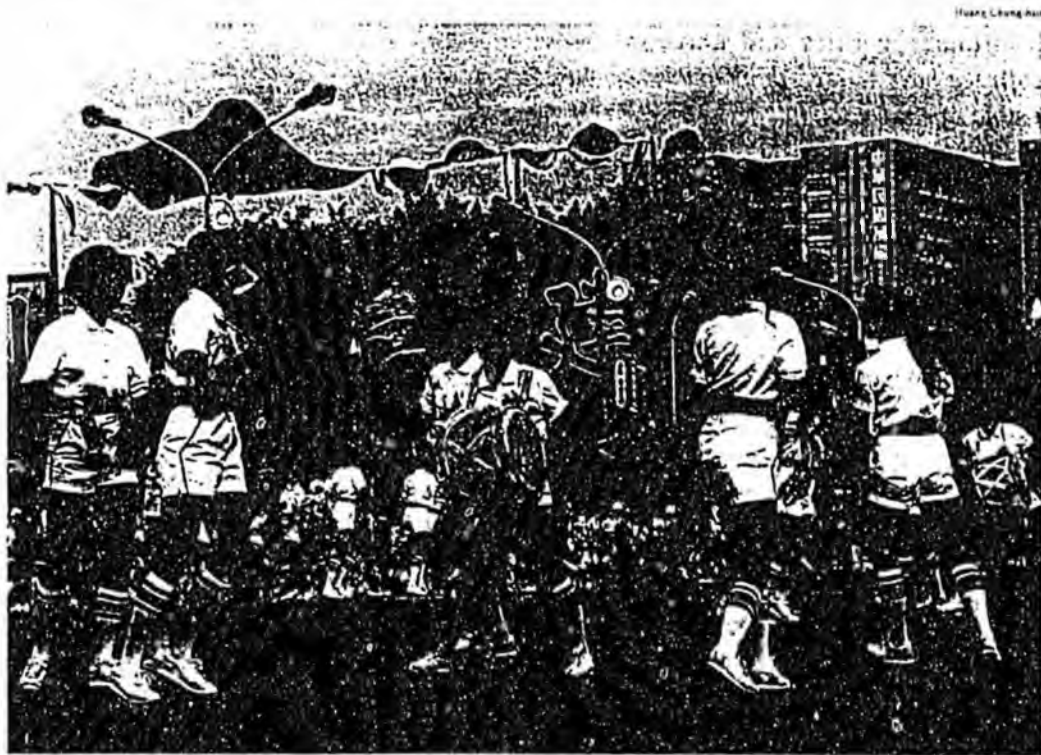
Agricultural missions from the ROC teach farmers in Malawi how to set up and care for rice paddies.

Dedicated to Democracy

Since 1971, the Republic of China on Taiwan not only has survived the mistreatment, but also has grown steadily stronger. Recognized worldwide as the creator of an "economic miracle," it serves as a role model for developing economies in the Third World.

Besides this, it has made major headway in democratic reforms. Since the Emergency Decree was lifted in 1987, new newspapers have flourished and are free to criticize the government. Political parties have increased so quickly and that few people can keep track of their number and names. The latest count is 7+. Free elections are held regularly. A viable opposition, with 40 percent of the seats in the legislature, plays a vital role of check and balance.

The people of the Republic of China are guaranteed basic human rights, including freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and freedom of assembly. Leaders at all levels of the government, including county chiefs, city mayors, the provincial governor, and the mayors of Taipei and Kaohsiung, are, or will be, freely elected by the people. Moreover, the nation is openly and freely debating how to elect the future ROC presidents, who will either be chosen directly by the people or by the National Assembly. When the next president is elected, the ROC will have com-



Healthy and well-educated, young people in Taiwan are prepared for the challenges of the 21st century.



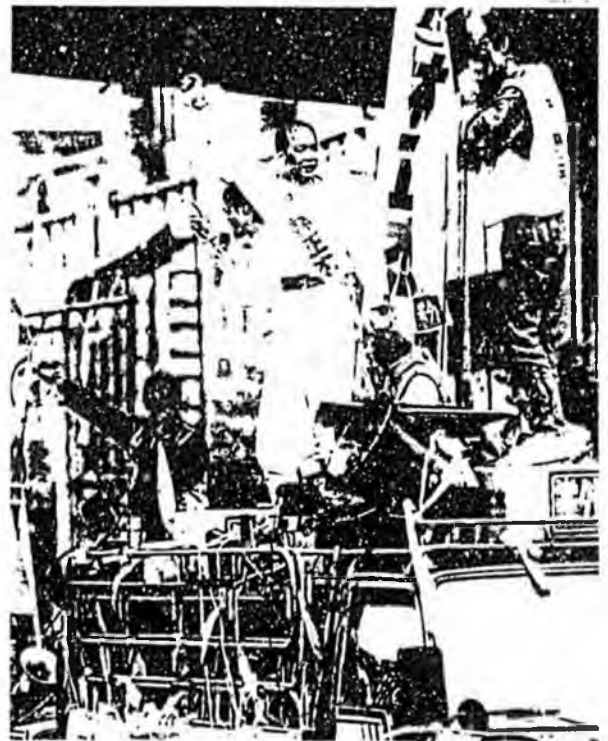
pleted the peaceful revolution. At that time, it can proudly show the world and the people on the Chinese mainland that democracy can be fully realized on Chinese soil.

Isn't it right that a country so committed to human rights and democracy should receive respect, encouragement, and friendship from the international community?

*A computerized vote tabulation center
helps track the democracy's latest victory
in today's Taiwan.*



*Multiparty politics and universal
suffrage have altered the Republic of
China's political landscape.*



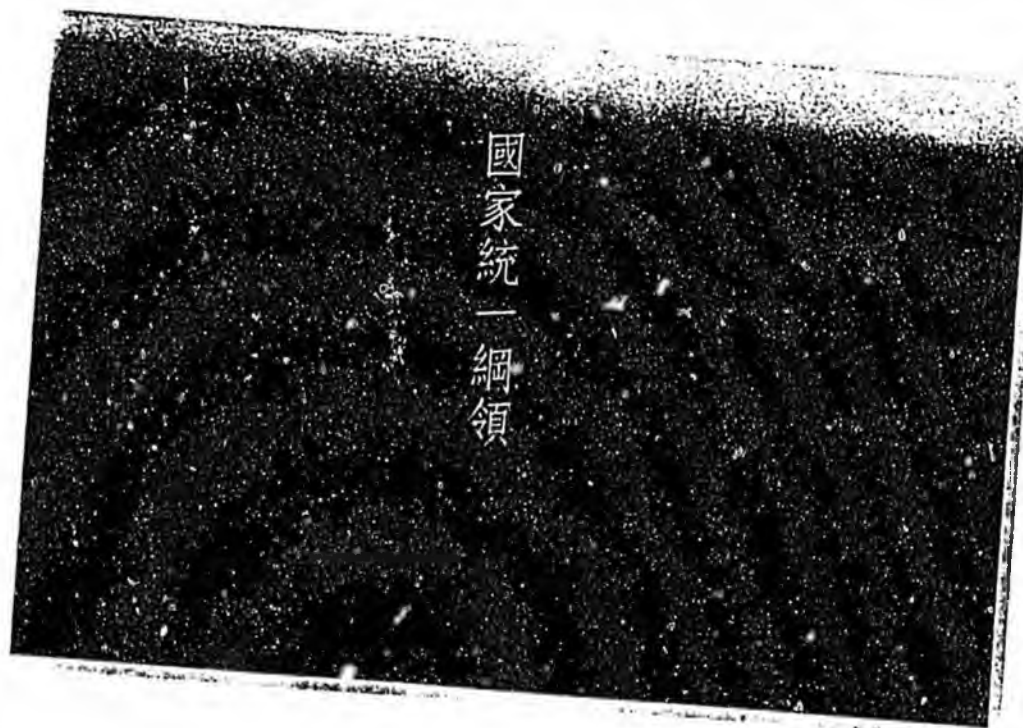


Unification Still Its Goal

On the issue of national unification, the Chinese communists have stubbornly adhered to their dogma and restricted the ROC's activities in the international community with the use of raw muscle. The ROC has never relinquished its ultimate goal of a unified China. But it has insisted that the two sides of the Taiwan Straits be united only after the mainland has attained freedom, democracy, human rights, and equitable distribution of wealth, as the ROC has done in Taiwan. A unification based on the communist formula of "one China, two systems" is not unification at all.

To press for national unification in earnest, the ROC has mapped out the *Guidelines for National Unification*, which calls for attaining the goal in three phases. Progress is to be conditioned on the development of the mainland and the relations and exchanges between the two sides of the Straits. Because the Chinese communists refuse to treat the ROC as an equal partner, abandon the use of force in the Taiwan Straits, and stop pressuring the ROC on the international stage, relations between the two sides are stuck in Phase One. Activities are limited to private-sector exchanges aimed at promoting mutual understanding and fostering mutual trust.

In most international organizations, the mainland is represented, but Taiwan is not. Parallel representation for a divided nation in international organizations is not



The ROC's Guidelines for National Unification spell out a phased approach to China's unification.

without precedent. Germany in the past and Korea at present are cases in point. History has proved that such an arrangement is a plus for all and a minus for none.

If the ROC is given a wider scope in its international activities and is allowed to freely participate in international organizations, it will naturally gain more confidence and exercise greater initiative in cross-Straits relations, thereby contributing to the early unification of the two sides. Instead of hindering national unification, the ROC's international activities will be an impetus toward this goal.

To seat the Republic of China alongside communist China in the United Nations does not conflict with the "one China" policy, nor will it impede the eventual unification of China. Proof can be found in the parallel U.N. representation for the two Germanys.

Parallel representation in the United Nations for the two sides will increase their contact, reduce their hostility and provide a greater forum within the international framework for them to motivate, assist, and communicate with each other, thereby contributing to the unification of China in the end.



Taiwan residents visiting relatives on the Chinese mainland bring news of democracy.



The ROC on Taiwan is home to a Chinese cultural tradition that goes back some five millennia.



A Willing, Able Partner

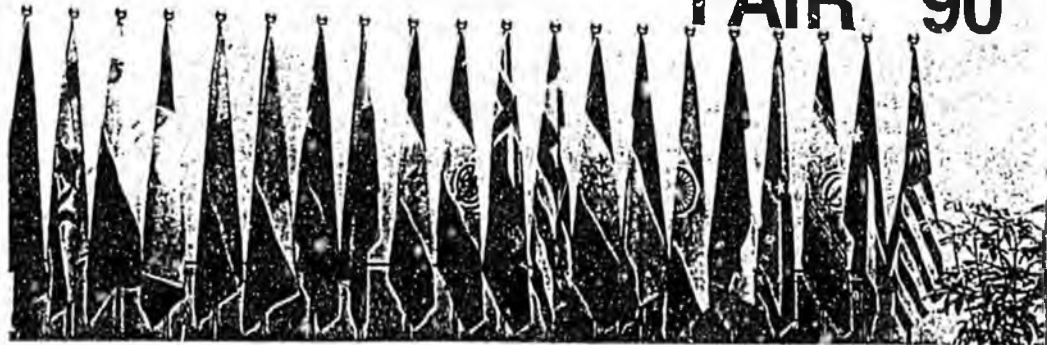
Although the ROC suffered a series of setbacks in international relations after it was deprived of its seat and voice in the United Nations, it has capitalized on its booming trade activities and goodwill to develop informal relations with 150-odd nations. But informal relations, however close, cannot fulfill the ROC's aspiration to take part in the international community. The ROC has set its hands and its heart to help others internationally, but its feet are always bound, preventing it from moving quickly and effectively.

In humanitarian aid, for instance, the ROC is not permitted to formally contact many international organizations. It has to work through intermediaries to deliver relief to needy regions. This system has reduced the efficiency and the level of assistance the ROC can offer.

Every democratic country is entitled to join in international activities, take on international responsibilities, and receive appropriate international respect and recognition. Why not the ROC?

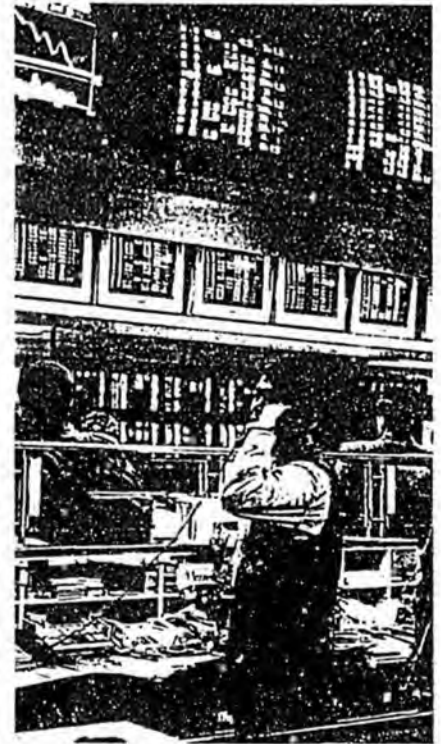


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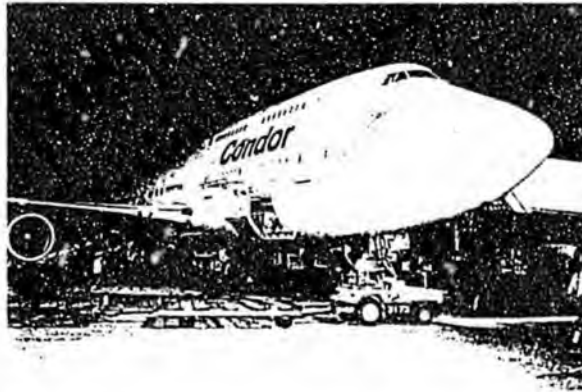


Large-scale international conventions can be held in the ultra-modern Taipei World Trade Center.

The ROC on Taiwan's financial sector has averaged 6.3 percent annual growth every year since 1986.



The cargo capacity of CKS Airport will be expanded under the Six-Year National Development Plan.



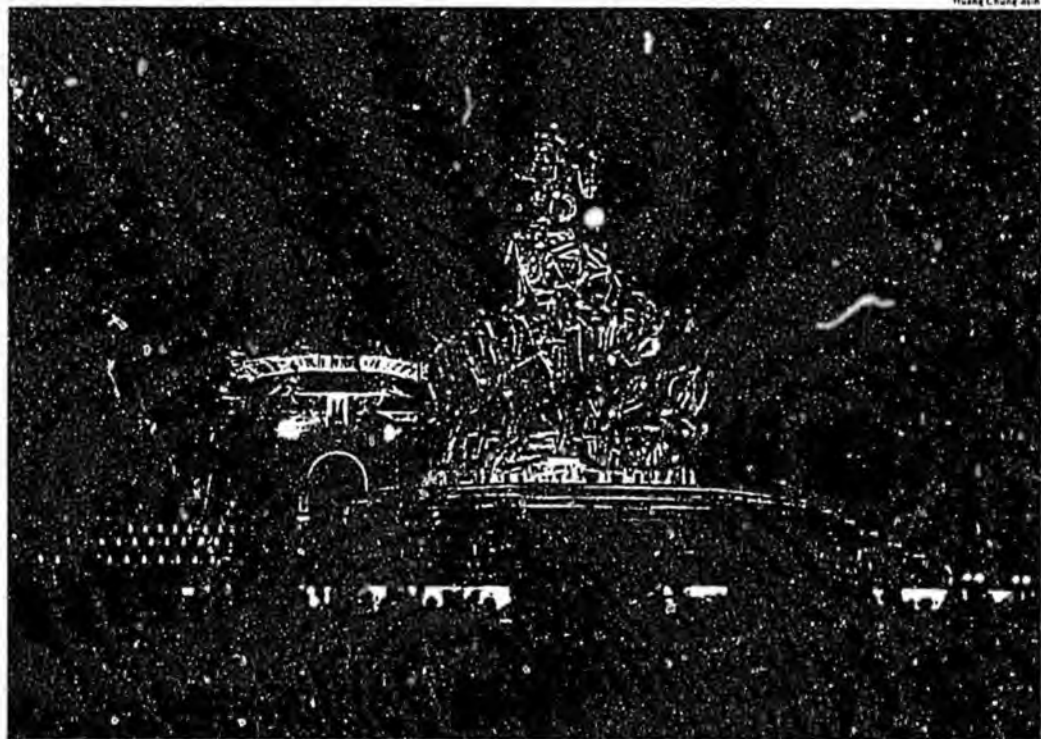
The ROC on Taiwan's economy grew by 6 percent last year and registered US\$153 billion in trade.



Give the ROC Full Support

The ROC has been outstanding in its democratic reforms, its economic development, its effort for national unification, its protection of human rights, and its contribution to international aid. It has earned the right to again call on the international community to welcome the ROC back. The ROC should be given an opportunity to develop its full potential and make tangible contributions to the development of international peace, human rights and economic cooperation.

The participation of the ROC in the United Nations will affirm the spirit of the United Nations Charter and exemplify the principles of international justice. Equally important, it will be a fresh affirmation of democracy everywhere. The ROC looks forward to your support and that of all other fair-minded people in its bid for a U.N. seat.



The people of the ROC on Taiwan are willing and able to fulfill their international obligations.