Sydney Morning Herald Email: letters@smh.com.au GPO Box 3771, Sydney, 2001 Dear Editor,

I refer to the article "Beijing driven to destroy a city's liberty" (25 May), "It's do or die on Taiwan, HK" (26 May) and The Sun Herald's editorial "China is bullying us and we must sell elsewhere" (24 May).

The comments ignored the constitutional reality that Hong Kong is an inalienable part of China. As such, it cannot and must never become a base for subversive activities or organisations seeking to destabilise our country.

The proposed national security law for Hong Kong will only target acts of secession, subversion, terrorist activities as well as activities interfering with Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's internal affairs by foreign or external forces. The vast majority of law-abiding Hong Kong residents, including overseas investors, have nothing to fear.

Hong Kong's freedoms will be preserved and Hong Kong's vibrancy and the core values in terms of the rule of law, the independence of the Judiciary, the various rights and freedoms enjoyed by people will continue to be there. Our high degree of autonomy and the cardinal principle of Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong as enshrined in the Basic Law will remain intact. The long-term stability and prosperity of this vibrant international metropolis under the unique and well-tried "One Country Two Systems" will be further assured.

Yours sincerely, Raymond Fan Director (Representative to Australia and New Zealand)