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NOTE ON TRANSLITERATION OF CHINESE NAME

In this study, the older Wade-Giles system of transliteration has been used for Chinese names and places. Where possible, the newer, Pinyin equivalents have been provided in parentheses following the first use of a name. For convenience, the following equivalents may be helpful.

| | <u>Wade-Giles</u> | <u>Pinyin</u> |
|---------|-------------------|---------------|
| Names: | Chao Tzu-yang | Zhao Ziyang |
| | Chou En-lai | Zhou Enlai |
| | Hua Kuo-feng | Hua Guofeng |
| | Lin Piao | Lin Biao |
| | Liu Shao-chi | Liu Shaoqi |
| | Mao Tse-tung | Mao Zedong |
| | Teng Hsiao-ping | Deng Xiaoping |
| Places: | Fukien | Fujian |
| | Lanchow | Lanzhou |
| | Nanking | Nanjiang |
| | Paotuo | Baotou |
| | Peking | Beijing |
| | Sinkiang | Xinjiang |
| | Taching | Daqing |
| | Tibet | Xizang |

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Chapter I

INTRODUCTION

"We should be concerned with the future because we have to spend the rest of our lives there."

—— Charles F. Kettering

" 'Two Chinas' is a dirty phrase in Taipei and Peking."

—— John K. Fairbank
Atlantic Sept. 1976 p. 6

The purpose of this report is to examine the possible future of Taiwan after the United States normalization of relations with the People's Republic of China (PRC). The author will try to discuss the specific options of peaceful negotiation between Taipei's Nationalist government and Peking's Communist government - where the possibilities exist and where the difficulties lie.

In December, 1978, the United States established diplomatic relations with Peking by accepting three conditions which the RPC requested in the Shanghai Communique: break diplomatic relations between the U.S. and Republic of China (ROC), terminate the US/ROC mutual defense treaty and withdraw all U.S. forces from Taiwan. In this present U.S. China policy, the U.S. has switched her recognition from Taipei to Peking. De jure, the United States recognizes the PRC as the sole entity, but continue to maintain de facto relations with Taiwan.