Correspondence to Francesco Coletta, 20 August 2014

Frank,
Thanks.
I read your report of a small part of my comment - it was fair re it is hard to give context to these quick responses.
I am happy to speak to you in more detail in the future, and may if I have time write my own Comment on the ACCCI website re "types of empires" contrasting the European 19th century territorial conquests with the American 20th century financial hegemon through international institutions like the World bank, IMF and WTO, to possible future Chinese 21st century cultural "soft-power" which would be consistent with their history - all of course are based on regional if not global economic dominance.
Australia needs policies which deal with all eventualities if we really want to be independent? Membership of the G20 and UN Security Council is at least a start.
Regards
Michael
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This is the Daily Mail Australia website
http://www.dailymail.co.uk/auhome/index.html
Thanks again
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"Some expressed support for Mr Palmer, with Raiderette tweeting: 'Good on ya Clive keep speaking freely!' and Michael Brown writing: 'Fair enough Clive.'

Michael Jones, president of the Australia-China Chamber of Commerce and Industry' said that while Mr Palmer might have been 'a bit emotional' in his delivery, what he said on Q&A was 'essentially true'.

'For 30, 40, 50 years, it's been well known how they, communist China, operates but no one has been prepared to say it,' he told Daily Mail Australia.

Mr Jones said that Australians were 'too respectful' when it came to business.

'When it comes to China and Australia, who's in the box seat? Australia is, of course, because they are dependent on our resources – while they are just trying to flog us cheap goods.

'Our problem is the powers that be have been so used to doffing their cap to the Americans that we are now doing that to the Chinese, it's a habit.' "