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Is There Anything In China That Isn't Fake?

So now we learn that the "dramatic" fireworks - showing more than a dozen simultaneous launch points - during the Olympic Opening Ceremonies - [were in fact a expansive - and expensive - digital gimmick](#).

China, of course, has exactly one "news source" for the Olympics - them. Their cameras, their feeds. As such all of our "western media" had only their feeds to use, and we did.

Of course nobody told us at the time that this was all an elaborate digital ruse.

So now The Olympics join the rest of China in being a fraud.

They steal our software, our cellphone designs, and our machinery. They copy it all without regard to the owner of that intellectual property or bothering to pay for it.

We allow this all in the name of "free trade", when in fact the only thing "free" is their theft of everything we produce with our mental power and acuity here in The United States.

They then have the gall to create an elaborate digital ruse for the Olympics, after banning any sort of free speech (their "protest zones" are amazingly quiet - they created them, then refused to issue any permits to actually **use them**) and in fact violating a promise that for reporters, the Internet would remain open and uncensored.

The IOC? It does nothing. The US? President Bush shows up and allows our athletes to "compete." The Chinese field a team of "women" gymnasts, who under the rules must all be at least 16 on the year of the competition, who have no breasts and I bet not one piece of pubic hair under their spandex - my money is on none of those girls being older than 14, with most being 12.

Advantage? Oh sure, being lighter works. Never mind the permanent damage that an injury can do to a 12 year old who has a bad fall.

But its all in the name of "face", you see, and we Americans tolerate it.

Fuck that. My TV is remaining solidly tuned elsewhere for the next two weeks.

Thanks China for now pointing out what we all knew - its all a facade behind the smoggy, polluted and poisonous atmosphere in Beijing, irrespective of whether you're talking about the air or your government.

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