

Instances of Mainland China's Interference with Taiwan's International Presence, 2010

1.	February	After the Obama administration informed the US Congress of an arms sale package to Taiwan worth US\$6.4 billion, mainland China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Defense, People's Congress, the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, and the Taiwan Affairs Office of the State Council protested angrily to the US side. The mainland Chinese vice minister of foreign affairs, He Yafei, summoned US Ambassador Jon Huntsman for an urgent meeting, during which he made stern representations, asserting that the selling of military equipment to Taiwan violated the Three Joint Communiqués, and threatened to place sanctions on the relevant US manufacturers.
2.	February 12-21, March 4-18	During a photographic exhibition held by the Korean Alliance for Peace and Freedom in Cheonggyecheon in Seoul, the capital of the Republic of Korea, to mark the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, the ROC national flag was flown in recognition of it being one of the countries that supplied material aid to the ROK. However, the flag was taken down on March 3 after the mainland Chinese embassy in Korea protested. It was put back after the organizers decided in the wake of firm and repeated demands from the Taipei Mission in Korea that there was no reason why the so-called one China policy should interfere with an event held by a non-governmental organization.
3.	May 28	In response to the possible signing of a bilateral trade agreement between the Philippines and Taiwan, the mainland Chinese ambassador to the Philippines, Liu Jianchao, remarked during a press conference that, no matter what arrangements were made, the one China policy would have to be upheld. He also stated that presidential adviser on the peace process, Annabelle Abaya, had

		committed a blunder by calling on President Ma Ying-jeou during a trip to Taiwan, from May 4 to 7, and that he had already lodged a protest to the Philippine authorities, demanding that the Philippines strictly abide by the one China policy.
4.	June 13	Mainland Chinese news outlet the <i>World Journal</i> ridiculed First Lady Chow Mei-ching for accompanying performing groups from Taiwan on overseas tours as their honorary director, accusing Taiwan of using private arts organizations as a diplomatic tool.
5.	July to September	Representatives from Taiwan's General Association of the Scouts of China visited a number of countries—including Japan, Korea, Finland, Hungary, and Kenya—as part of international scouting activities. During the event in Kenya, however, the ROC national flag was banned from being flown due to political interference and pressure from the mainland Chinese embassy.
6.	August 19 to 27	In order to admit the mainland Chinese Society for Horticultural Science as a member, the International Society for Horticultural Science acquiesced to mainland China's demands that the designation used for the membership of the Taiwan Society for Horticultural Science be changed, with Taiwan replaced by Chinese Taipei, and that our listing within the ISHS come under C.
7.	October	The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States learned that the Society for Risk Analysis had received a letter from SRA-China in June demanding that SRA-Taiwan be given a lower status. On the official SRA website, SRA-Taiwan was removed from the list of national chapters, arranged by continent, and listed instead as city on the regional organizations section of the website.