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“Preliminary study on the social problem and criminal policy in China since the last years of Qing dynasty”

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Just 100 years ago the new westernized criminal law was established by the last emperor of Qing dynasty. During these 100 years there were several times of revolutions and change of governments. And five main criminal laws were established or revised in China of the 20th century.

It was last years of Qing dynasty that the Principle of legality was introduced, but it was amendment of the criminal law of 1997 that the Analogy rule was denied, and a principle of legality was established. This is influence by a political system and political ideology

The westernization of an organization and mechanism of the police in China began in last years of Qing dynasty, too. The Chinese police were founded like many other nations by the reorganization of the armed forces. The police are important leading figures of the criminal policy, and leave a lot of traces of the European system of the 19th century, too. The Chinese police still have the jurisdiction over a family register, the immigration control and firefighting, border security widely in the present age.

It is the legal system and the police system that are not released from a chinese or european old tradition, but it may be still said that there is a significance of being for a system to be able to support China which became the major economic power enough.