# Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Assault on American Values

## **Targets of CCP Oppression:**

## 1. Ethnic Minorities and Religious Groups

- In China, all religious groups and practices are controlled directly by the United Front Work Department, a part of the Chinese Communist Party "designed to keep the CCP in power." (CSIS)
- Starting February 1, the "<u>Administrative Measures for Religious Groups</u>" require all religious organizations to adhere to the leadership of the CCP and spread the principles and policies of the CCP. (<u>Fox News</u>)

## A. Uyghurs and other Muslim Groups

- The latest data suggests that China has detained up to 1.8 million (over 15 percent, or one in six) of all ethnic minority Muslim adults in its Xinjiang region in various forms of extrajudicial internment. (Journal of Political Risk)
- These include brainwashing camps for "thought transformation" to force detainees to become secular supporters of the Communist Party. CCP manuals relating to the camps say "Freedom is only possible when this 'virus' in their thinking is eradicated." (NYT)
- In the camps, detainees face: forced labor to support Chinese manufacturers, forced family separation, children being placed in state facilities, and violence against women including survivors' reports of forced sterilization. (Heritage)
- Ethnic minority Muslims throughout Xinjiang are subject to internment or prosecution for benign religious practices, and forced to violate their religious beliefs while interned. (RFA)
- Male Han Chinese "relatives" are assigned by the government to sleep in the same beds as the wives of men detained in the internment camps. (RFA)
- Chinese security services, with help from Western academics, are funding dystopian technologies to identify and oppress minorities based on their genetics. (NYT)
- The New York Times reports that "The harsh crackdown on Muslims that began with the Uighurs in Xinjiang is spreading to more regions and more groups," notably the Hui minority, China's largest Muslim minority. (NYT)
- Beijing authorities have "ordered halal restaurants and food stalls to remove Arabic script and symbols associated with Islam from their signs, part of an expanding national effort to 'Sinicize' its Muslim population." (Reuters)

#### **B.** Christians

- China's official protestant church plans to "write a secular and understandable version of the Bible; to use socialist values as the main preaching principles." (<u>UCAnews</u>)
- The official church, one of the world's largest protestant congregations, is directly overseen by the United Front Work Department of the Chinese Communist Party. (Jamestown Foundation)
- Christian churches in China have been ordered to take down displays of the Ten Commandments and replace them with quotes from General Secretary Xi Jinping (<u>Catholic Herald</u>)
- The Chinese government will propose new bishops to the Vatican for dioceses in China (National Catholic Reporter)



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## 2. Pro-democracy Supporters

- An employee of the British consulate in Hong Kong reported in November that Chinese secret police kidnapped and tortured him for 15 days "in an attempt to force him to give information about activists leading pro-democracy protests." (Reuters)
- The CCP has broken its international treaty obligation to grant Hong Kong autonomy and allow Hong Kong's freedoms to continue. (<u>Japan Times</u>)
- The CCP's liaison office in Hong Kong appears to be working to crush the pro-democracy movement. The liaison office, not the Hong Kong Government, reportedly controls Hong Kong's police. The police have taken increasingly violent actions against demonstrators designed to intimidate, not to restore order. Police have also appeared to be cooperating with violent triad gangsters, standing by while groups of gangsters assaulted pro-democracy demonstrators. (SCMP)

### 3. Rule of Law Advocates

- In summer 2015, China undertook an unprecedented crackdown on human rights lawyers, detaining, questioning, or charging around 250 lawyers.
   (Amnesty International)
- The CCP routinely suppresses women's rights activism, including arresting the prominent 'Feminist Five' the date before International Women's Day in 2015, and continuing to censor '#metoo' content throughout China. (Quartz)
- The CCP even oppresses patriotic Communist groups in its quest to eliminate any social movement that could challenge its power: Marxist student activists who supported labor rights were arrested in a nationwide crackdown throughout 2018 and 2019. (CNN)

#### 4. Americans and American Residents

- In January 2018, Marriott International Inc. fired 49 year old Roy Jones, a Nebraskan, for 'liking' a tweet about Tibet. (WSJ)
- Chinese authorities threaten the Constitutional rights of Uyghur Americans in the United States through online harassment, pressure to report fellow Uyghurs, and the punishment of family members when their American relatives exercise free speech. (Uyghur Human Rights Project)
- In 2019, the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y. agreed to exclude Korean members of its orchestra from a tour at the demand of the Chinese government, before canceling the tour after a public outcry. (NYT)
- In 2017, Chinese exchange student Shuping Yang was harassed and forced to apologize by "nationalists in China" after she praised free speech as the University of Maryland's commencement speaker. (Guardian)

