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“A Market Built on Victims: Stopping Illegal Organ Trafficking in China and Beyond”
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We are at a clash of civilizations between the democratic West and its allies versus the Chinese Communist Party with its evil alliance of communist, authoritarian and totalitarian regimes. The winner will establish how societies are conducted now and in the future.

Western Civilization is built on the Judeo-Christian ethic that every person has an eternal soul with immeasurable worth and dignity. It believes that all are endowed with inalienable natural rights that come from God, not government.

Communism, on the other hand, boils man down to an economic being and denies the existence of these divine rights. In the Communist framework, all power is derived from and controlled by the government. It cannot and will not tolerate a power above itself.

In pursuit of this absolute power, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) today is ruthlessly crushing every religion. Their methods are unfathomable to most in the West, including the mass deployment of crimes such as forced organ harvesting.

Disfavored religious communities are particularly targeted by the perpetrators of the forced organ harvesting scheme, with Falun Gong practitioners systematically catalogued based on biometric markers and then murdered for their organs. The organs of Uyghur Muslims are marketed to wealthy Middle Easterners as “halal,” in an unimaginably cynical perversion of their Muslim faith.

Decades of careful research has shown that this issue is not merely contained within China - it’s a moral blight that involves “medical tourists” from dozens of countries around the world, including the US and its allies in Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. Chinese transplant institutions openly market organs to customers around the world in a global scheme that relies on the financial infrastructure operated by the West.

The CCP is conducting three religious genocides as we speak - against Tibetan Buddhists, Uyghur Muslims and Falun Gong practitioners.

In addition, the CCP is training and resourcing other authoritarian regimes around the world with the latest in surveillance technology, enabling them to be better dictators by crushing non-compliant people of faith in their countries.

As the leading Western Civilization nation in the world, on our 250th anniversary and founded on the principle of religious freedom for all, the United States must courageously stand in opposition to this fundamental assault on liberty. This is why I wrote the book, *China’s War on Faith*.

The US must embrace a policy stance that reflects the importance of religious freedom and China's hostility towards it:

- 1) We must act on the reality that the CCP is at war with us.
- 2) We should stand on our core principles, including defending religious freedom for everyone.
- 3) Religious freedom should be viewed as not only a human right, but as a strategic weapon we use in our theatre engagement strategy with the CCP, just as President Reagan did with the USSR.
- 4) The President, Vice President and Secretary of State should host public meetings with Chinese exiles of all religions who have been persecuted for their faith.
- 5) The White House or Congress should host a global summit of religious, democracy and political leaders calling for religious freedom for everyone, everywhere, all the time - including in China.
- 6) The United States should lead a global coalition of governments, academics and medical and financial institutions to openly condemn forced organ harvesting and take concrete steps to end international complicity in the practice.
- 7) We ask the President to seek from Xi Jinping the release of Pastor Ezra Jin, Jimmy Lai and the nine Catholic bishops currently detained in China.
- 8) We ask Pope Leo to criticize China for its three ongoing genocides and to publicly seek the release of the nine detained Catholic bishops, Pastor Ezra Jin and Jimmy Lai.
- 9) We should send the Vice President or Secretary of State to Dharamsala, India to meet with the Dalai Lama to discuss the future of Tibet and Tibetan Buddhism.
- 10) We should make religious freedom a major policy focus at the G20 Summit we host this year.
- 11) The President should include, in his speeches commemorating the 250th anniversary of our nation's founding, the central role religious freedom played in it and call for religious freedom around the world.
- 12) Our media, Hollywood, academia and big business must start shining a light on these horrific practices being conducted by the Chinese government and no longer look the other way.

President Trump can be the first president since President Kennedy to effectively confront the Chinese government. This must be a sustained US policy, similar to our long-term policy of confronting the USSR, conducted by both political parties over four decades.

We must tell the world how ruthless and barbaric the CCP is and how far they are willing to go to control their own people. Our most effective weapon to confront totalitarians is a free religious people. It is a weapon that the CCP fears more than our aircraft carriers or even our nuclear weapons.