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Dear Ms. Alexander,

We are writing out of deep concern in regards to a number of events held by the Carter Center which seem to promote Chinese Communist Party (CCP) propaganda, one of which in particular was held in cooperation with the United Front Work Department of the CCP.

Mao Ze Dong called the United Front the "magic weapon" to ensure the victory of Communism over democracy. The United Front is an organization which is deeply hostile to any idea contrary to Communism. It has been directly involved in the genocide of Uyghur Muslims<sup>1</sup> in Xinjiang province in China, and persecuting China's Christians through shutting down churches and censoring the Bible.<sup>2</sup> Sadly, the organization continues to operate in the United States where it is involved in disinformation campaigns throughout the country. It was for this reason that former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 took the historic step of imposing visa sanctions on individuals associated with United Front Work Department activities.

We were greatly dismayed that on January 3<sup>rd</sup> of this year the Carter Center in Georgia, co-hosted an event with the Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament which is an organization affiliated with the United Front of the Chinese Communist Party.<sup>3</sup> The event was also supported financially by the U.S.-China Heartland Association, an organization which works directly with the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries, an organization created by Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which has a history of pushing CCP propaganda in middle America.<sup>4</sup> The moderator of the event was Su Xiaohui, Deputy Director of

<sup>1</sup> "The Leaders Who Unleashed China's Mass Detention of Muslims (Published 2018)." The New York Times. Last modified October 14, 2018. <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/10/13/world/asia/china-muslim-detainment-xinjiang-camps.html>.

<sup>2</sup> "Chinese Officials Erase First of 10 Commandments." Open Doors USA. Last modified December 20, 2019. <https://www.opendoorsusa.org/christian-persecution/stories/chinese-officials-erase-first-of-10-commandments/>.

<sup>3</sup> "US-China Engagement: Past Achievements & Future Adjustments "中美接触42年：过去的成就·未来的调整 YouTube. Accessed February 22, 2021. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wy5qtteg-AzE&feature=youtu.be>.

<sup>4</sup> "China Is Using You." The American Interest. Last modified February 14, 2020. <https://www.the-american-interest.com/2020/02/13/pompeo-to-governors-china-is-using-you/>.

the Department for International and Strategic Studies at the China Institute for International Studies, the in house think tank for the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.<sup>5</sup>

Last week, again, the Carter Center hosted an event promoting the argument that the CCP and its American enablers are advancing with American business leaders that the only path to future prosperity for their companies is through harmonious US-China relations.<sup>6</sup> The event was co-hosted with the China Research Center (CRC) which has had past financial support from the Confucius Institute of Atlanta and the Confucius Institute at Emory University.<sup>7</sup> Furthermore, some of the associates of the CRC include Ken Jin, the director of the Confucius Institute at Kennesaw State University, who, according to the CRC's website, is the director of international training at Kennesaw State and is responsible for training programs for Chinese government officials. The Confucius Institute at Kennesaw State, under Jin's leadership, was even selected in 1999 as "one of the five preferred training bases by the Chinese central government."<sup>8</sup>

As members of the Republican Study Committee in the House of Representatives, our caucus has made countering the CCP, especially the United Front Work Department, a top priority this Congress. We are deeply troubled that the United Front continues to be given a platform to spread its propaganda in the United States. We would appreciate your response into why the Carter Center continues to partner with the United Front Work Department and organizations connected to the CCP and Chinese government.

Sincerely,



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<sup>5</sup> "SU Xiaohui." 中国

国际问题研究院. Accessed February 22, 2021.

[https://www.ciis.org.cn/english/EXPERTS/AssociateResearchFellows/202007/t20200715\\_3792.html](https://www.ciis.org.cn/english/EXPERTS/AssociateResearchFellows/202007/t20200715_3792.html).

<sup>6</sup> 中美印象. Accessed February 22, 2021. <https://cn3.uscnpm.org/Uploads/kindeditor/file/20210218/2021-WTCA-CNY-Program-Brochure-V3.pdf>.

<sup>7</sup> "A Center for Collaborative Research and Education on Greater China." China Research Center. Accessed February 22, 2021. <https://www.chinacenter.net/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/CRC-Sponsorship-Levels.pdf>.

<sup>8</sup> "Ken Jin." China Research Center. Last modified September 25, 2014. <https://www.chinacenter.net/team/ken-jin/>.

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