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MEMORANDUM

April 12, 2024

To: Members of the Committee on Oversight and Accountability

From: Committee Staff

Re: Full Committee hearing titled “Defending America from the Chinese Communist Party’s Political Warfare, Part I”

On Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. ET in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Committee will host a hearing titled “Defending America from the Chinese Communist Party’s Political Warfare, Part I.”

I. BACKGROUND:

For decades, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has sought to infiltrate and influence every sector and community in the United States. The CCP is waging political warfare in an attempt to weaken America and advance the destructive ambitions of the People’s Republic of China (PRC). Federal agencies have important responsibilities to combat the CCP’s non-kinetic warfare. To do so, agencies must recognize and address the CCP’s nefarious influence operations.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

This hearing will provide an overview of the various political warfare tactics being utilized by the CCP. It will examine how the CCP has infiltrated every sector and community in the United States, including but not limited to America’s education, agriculture, critical infrastructure, research, energy, business, space, and technology sectors.

III. WITNESSES:

Col. Grant Newsham
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Dr. Robert Spalding, Brig. Gen.
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