

Thank you, Chairman Jordan and Ranking Member Raskin. I appreciate the chance to speak about a bill that goes straight to the heart of our national security. We are facing an unprecedented wave of espionage from statutorily designated foreign adversaries, and the response from our legal system has been far too weak.

My bill, H.R. 4081, the Foreign Adversary Federal Offense Act, fixes that. It creates mandatory minimum sentences of 10 years for economic espionage and 15 years for defense espionage. It also doubles the penalties for intellectual property theft committed on behalf of foreign adversaries. If you steal for Beijing or any other hostile power, you should expect to spend a long time in federal prison.

The scale of this threat is staggering. In April, former Army analyst **Korbein Schultz** sold missile defense data, satellite intelligence, and deployment plans to someone working with the Chinese government. He made forty-two thousand dollars and was sentenced to only eighty-four months.

In August, two United States Navy sailors, **Jinchao Wei and Wenheng Zhao**, provided Chinese intelligence with ship blueprints, weapons systems, and troop movements. They were trusted with our national security and they sold it off.

In 2022, Broadcom engineer **Kisang Kim** stole more than five hundred chip design files for a Chinese tech startup. He openly admitted he did it to help China compete with the United States and received eight months in prison.

Meanwhile, [the FBI estimates](#) that up to six hundred billion dollars in American intellectual property is stolen every year, almost all of it by China. That is our innovation, our technology, and our military advantage walking out the door.

People who spy for our enemies can cripple our military, damage our economy, and leave our critical infrastructure exposed. Yet far too often they get a small fine or a short sentence. Our current guidelines are not a deterrent. They invite more theft, more betrayal, and more risk.

We need to make it unmistakably clear that if you betray your oath, violate your uniform, or sell out your country for a few dollars, you will face the full force of the United States government. H.R. 4081 delivers that clarity. A mandatory double-digit sentence will make potential spies think twice before choosing China over their own nation.

I look forward to working with every member of this committee to get this bill across the finish line. My team and I welcome your input and your support. This is about protecting the American people and strengthening the security of the country we serve.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I yield back.