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World Council of Churches Condemns Itself

by Mark D. Tooley

The Geneva-based World Council of Churches (WCC) has yet really to condemn the Khmer Rouge genocide in Cambodia 35 years ago. Or the Marxist orchestrated famine in Ethiopia that killed almost as many during the 1980s. It never directly condemned the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Saddam Hussein's hundreds of thousands of murdered victims also failed to arouse the WCC's concern across 25 years. Nor has the multitude of crimes by Iran's theocracy across 30 years interested the WCC. North Korea's slave state for the WCC is a place of pilgrimage but not criticism. Even North Korea's recent unprovoked torpedoing of a South Korean ship, killing 46 sailors three months ago, has not caused the WCC to peep.

But the WCC needed less than 24 hours to condemn Israel's "deplorable" interception of a "peace" flotilla trying to bust the blockade of Hamas-ruled Gaza. The 9 anti-Israel "peace" activists killed after the Israelis were resisted with metal poles and other weapons, were apparently more sacred to the WCC than the millions of victims slain by communism, Islamists and other anti-Western tyrannies over the last 4 decades.

"It is with great distress that the World Council of Churches received the news that the Israeli naval forces stormed a Gaza-bound vessel carrying humanitarian aid in international waters before dawn on Monday, killing at least 10 civilians and injuring many more," immediately bemoaned WCC chief Olav Fykse Tveit. A Norwegian Lutheran theologian, Tveit seems steadfastly committed to the WCC tradition of bashing only Israel and America. "We condemn the assault and killing of innocent people who were attempting to deliver humanitarian assistance to the people of Gaza, who have been under a crippling Israeli blockade since 2007."

Why has Gaza been blockaded by Israel, and, though unmentioned by the WCC, also by Egypt? Could its rocket-firing Hamas regime be part of the explanation? The WCC is not interested in such details. "We further condemn the flagrant violation of international law by Israel in attacking and boarding a humanitarian convoy in international waters," Tveit continued. "We pray for all those who are affected by the attack, especially the bereaved families."

Tveit demanded Israel repatriate all of the flotilla's activists, release the impounded ships and, naturally, end the blockade of Gaza. He also wants a "full" United Nations investigation into Israel's "assault." For that, Tveit almost certainly will get his wish. He concluded: "The deplorable events which occurred yesterday off the coast of Gaza remind us yet again of the pressing need for an end to the Israeli military occupation of the Palestinian territories." But of course, Gaza is not Israeli occupied. It is governed by its Islamist "liberators," Hamas. And most of the West Bank is governed by the Palestinian Authority. It's never entirely clear what the Religious Left means by "occupation." But certainly it ignores the considerable problems created by Gaza's and most of the West Bank's ostensible liberation from direct Israeli control.

The WCC's major U.S. member, the Presbyterian Church USA, also chimed in quickly over the Gaza flotilla in slightly more measured tones. "A severe blockade of Gaza by Israel in response to the free election of Hamas representatives in 2006 and the military incursions of Operation Cast Lead in late 2008 and early 2009 have dramatically increased the already acute humanitarian need," surmised the church's Stated Clerk, Gradye Parsons. "We grieve the killing and injuring of participants in the humanitarian effort, as well as the injuring of members of the Israeli military forces that occurred when the Israeli forces stormed one of the ships and those on board resisted."

Parsons noted that the Presbyterian tradition is "not strictly pacifist," which is surely an understatement, but "honors peaceful resistance, including nonviolent disobedience to unjust government policies and actions." He opined that the flotilla could have been a "powerful" instrument for peaceful resistance. And he warned, "These actions sometimes incite

violent responses,” but the “long-term success of this kind of resistance requires a nonviolent response on the part of the demonstrators, even when they are under attack.” Parsons sounds like a Presbyterian Gandhi.

Meanwhile, Jerusalem-based Sabeel, a center for Palestinian Liberation Theology with Western affiliates, including Friend of Sabeel—North America, has quickly issued a prayer litany of solidarity with the failed Gaza flotilla. “The Israeli attack on the Gaza Flotilla resulted in numerous deaths, dozens of injuries, and hundreds of arrests,” Sabeel bewailed. “Almighty God, comfort the bereaved, heal the injured, and grant freedom to the prisoners. We pray that you will strengthen each of us to do what is necessary to end the siege on Gaza. Help us to recognize and to fight the structures of oppression, wherever we may encounter them.”

Do these “structures of oppression” include the Hamas regime in Gaza, or its chief patrons, the Islamist theocrats who tyrannize Iran? If so, Religious Left groups in the West, who are Sabeel’s main patrons, will not say so audibly. Maybe the WCC is praying quietly, very quietly, for Hamas’s victims. These silent prayers are perhaps similar to the inaudible prayers that the WCC and rest of the international Religious Left may have lifted up for so many otherwise unacknowledged victims of tyranny and oppression over the last 40 years. Apparently only Israel’s and America’s victims can benefit from the Religious Left’s very loud prayers.

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Willow Creek’s Delusion About “Social Justice”

by David A. Noebel

I’ve been thinking . . . well, I’ve been reading and thinking. I’ve been reading Erwin Lutzer’s latest work, *When A Nation Forgets God: Seven Lessons We Must Learn From Nazi Germany*. Published by Moody Publishers, the Moody Church pastor analyzes how the church in Germany fell under the sway of Adolf Hitler. Here’s the bad news: “By far the majority of the Lutheran churches sided with Hitler and his spectacular reforms.” The good news: “But a minority, under the leadership of Bonhoeffer and Niemoller, chose to pull away from the established church to form the ‘Confessing Church.’”

I find it disturbing that the Obama administration is

trying to use churches, including evangelical churches, for its own political purposes.

The May 3, 2010, issue of *The Weekly Standard* carries an article by Meghan Clyne entitled “The Green Shepherd,” describing how the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships is seeking to enroll gullible Christian churches in its efforts to control the climate—paraded under the guise of fighting poverty and injustice.

One of the “Green Shepherds” chosen by the Obama administration to deceive evangelicals is none other than the Rev. Jim Wallis!

Clyne’s article’s subtitle summarizes the administration’s underlying political goal: “The White House wants churches to advance its climate change agenda.” She points out that while Wallis wrote in December 2006 that “Republicans shamelessly politicized the faith-based initiative,” Wallis himself is now “a member of Obama’s faith-based council and has also met with congressional Democrats to help them frame their policies in more morally appealing terms.” These Wallis-trained Democrats will in turn make “inroads with religious voters.” Sound similar to Hitler’s making inroads with the Lutherans of his day?

Does Rick Warren’s spiritual agenda include New Age elements? Find out in Warren Smith’s *Deceived on Purpose*.

Here is Students for a Democratic Society’s Jim Wallis, defender of Fidel Castro, and a party to the proliferation of Communist revolutions throughout Central America, moving amongst the evangelicals and deceiving them left and left. Wallis has been a radical ever since he graduated from Michigan State University. (If you’re interested in more commentary on Wallis and his *Sojourners* magazine, see “Barack Obama’s ‘Red’ Spiritual Advisor” article on Summit Ministries’ website.)

Wallis’ ability to deceive reaches high into evangelical circles. For example, an article posted on the *Sojourners* blog entitled “Beyond Charity: Living a Life of Compassion and Justice,” written by the wife of Willow Creek Pastor Bill Hybels, says the following: “The battle against injustice is a tough and ugly war. While I am proud that Willow has entered that war, the truth is we have just begun to fight. . . . I look forward to the day when we as a church will be known for being the greenest church on the planet, not just because we enjoy the beauty of God’s creation, but because we know that climate change is a justice issue.” Included in her suggested reading list is Jim Wallis and his *Sojourners* magazine.

This idea that climate change is a justice/injustice issue is 100 percent in synch with the President's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, which "envisions the 'partnership' between government and religious institutions as a means of spreading the administration's environmental warnings, rather than just a way to help churches feed the hungry and clothe the poor." No wonder Clyne closes her article with the comment, "Perhaps it's only reasonable that global warming activists would turn to God for help as the scientific case for their position collapses."

But let me be blunt and suggest that Mrs. Hybels would be better informed if she would read Theodore Dalrymple's *Life at the Bottom*, Peter Bauer's *Equality, the Third World, and Economic Delusion* and Thomas Sowell's *Intellectuals and Society*.

In fact, if she were to read Sowell's work she would discover at least one secret to lifting the poor out of poverty, which we can assume is her desire in attaining "social justice," since she never clearly articulates what she means by the term. Writes Sowell, "Under new economic policies beginning in the 1990s, tens of millions of people in India have risen above that country's poverty level. In China, under similar policies begun earlier, a million people a month have risen out of poverty."

Unfortunately this is not welcomed news by the radical left because these economic policies are capitalistic and hence politically incorrect. Sowell quotes French writer Raymond Aron, who admits that intellectuals want to see prosperity only "through State intervention" and "the revolutionary code" and hence are resentful over such capitalistic victories. Better poor under socialism than well off under capitalism seems to be their motto!

Indeed, a fellow lecturer told me of his recent trip to Cuba where "social justice" reigns supreme. Everyone in Cuba works for the government and receives \$15 a month (doctors receive \$18) which barely buys beans and rice and a little cooking oil. The 500 pastors he taught for a week said that Cuba today is an island prison and no one can escape. People are starving even though their waters are alive with fish, but no fishing boats are allowed since they would be used to escape from paradise to the "evil" United States.

This is the Cuba the Rev. Jim Wallis and his Sojourners crowd hold up as an example of "social justice." Question: Is this Mrs. Hybels' understanding of "social justice"? Why doesn't she make it her short-term mission trip to rescue some of those 500 wives of those 500 preachers who are begging for help to escape their prison of poverty

and hopelessness?

According to Olavo de Carvalho, nearly a dozen Latin American countries are presently being ruled by Communist or pro-communist parties. Are evangelical Christians so ignorant and/or misinformed of what is entailed in so-called "social justice" policies that they are willing to sacrifice the poor for an idea that hasn't worked in nearly 5,000 years of recorded history?

Well, I'm still thinking! What I think is that Mrs. Hybels and her husband need to read Erwin Lutzer's *When A Nation Forgets God* and then attend a two-week session at the Summit this summer!

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"There were more self-declared Communists on the Harvard faculty than there were Republicans."
—Ted Cruz, *World*, November 25, 2009

Elena Kagan's Supreme Court

by John Perazzo

When John Paul Stevens announced that he would be stepping down from the Supreme Court after three-and-a-half decades on the bench, Barack Obama lauded the outgoing Justice as a "brilliant, non-ideological, pragmatic" man, "committed above all to justice, integrity, and the rule of law." The President pledged to seek, for Stevens' successor, someone "with similar qualities"—an individual who understands that "in a democracy, powerful interests must not be allowed to drown out the voices of ordinary citizens." Monday morning Obama announced that choice: Elena Kagan.

This is not the first time the President has named Kagan to a prominent post in government. During his first week in office, Obama, who has known Kagan since the two were colleagues on the University of Chicago Law School faculty during the 1990s, named her for the post of U.S. Solicitor General, the nation's second-most-influential legal authority. It bears mention that Kagan, at the time of that appointment, had never argued a case in any court and had published only three major articles along with a handful of minor pieces. Sensing the special connection that existed between Obama and the new Solicitor General, Center for Security Policy CEO Frank Gaffney presciently depicted

Kagan's assignment as "a stepping-stone for her appointment to the Supreme Court." To understand why Obama holds Kagan in such high regard, we must take a closer look at the political and legal positions she has embraced over the course of her adult life, and see how they dovetail with those of the President.

A week after Ronald Reagan's presidential victory in November 1980, a twenty-year-old Elena Kagan, who was then a student at Princeton University, contributed a piece to the *Daily Princetonian*, wherein she gave voice to her angst over the apparent demise of the left. She wrote that her immediate "gut response" to Reagan's election had been to conclude "that the world had gone mad, that liberalism was dead, and that there was no longer any place for the ideals we held or the beliefs we espoused." After having taken some time to calm down, Kagan predicted, with a hopeful spirit, that "the next few years will be marked by American disillusionment with conservative programs and solutions, and that a new, revitalized, perhaps more leftist left will once again come to the fore."

The following year, Kagan penned her senior thesis—titled "To the Final Conflict: Socialism in New York City, 1900-1933"—wherein she specifically thanked her brother Marc, "whose involvement in radical causes led me to explore the history of American radicalism in the hope of clarifying my own political ideas." In the body of that work, Kagan lamented that "a coherent socialist movement is nowhere to be found in the United States"; that "Americans are more likely to speak of . . . capitalism's glories than of socialism's greatness"; that "the desire to conserve has overwhelmed the urge to alter"; that "in a society by no means perfect," no "radical party" had yet "attained the status of a major political force"; that "the socialist movement [had] never become an alternative to the nation's established parties"; and that the Socialist Party had "exhausted itself forever and further reduced labor radicalism in New York to the position of marginality and insignificance." Kagan called these developments "sad" and "chastening" for "those who, more than half a century after socialism's decline, still wish to change America."

After graduating from Princeton, Kagan went on to earn a Master of Philosophy degree from Worcester College at Oxford University in 1983, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1986. She then took a job as a law clerk for Judge Abner Mikva, a leftist member of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. Later, she clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, whom she now identifies as her hero. In 1988 Kagan worked on the presidential campaign of Democrat

Michael Dukakis. And three years later she became an assistant professor at the University of Chicago Law School, where, as noted above, she first met Barack Obama.

From 1995 to 1999, Kagan served under Bill Clinton in various roles: Associate White House Counsel, Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, and Deputy Director of the Domestic Policy Council. In June 1999, Clinton nominated Kagan to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. But because the Senate Judiciary Committee's Republican chairman, Orrin Hatch, subsequently elected not to schedule a hearing on Kagan, her nomination was never confirmed.

In 2003, Harvard University president Lawrence Summers appointed Kagan to be the dean of Harvard Law School. It was in this role that Kagan expressed her most infamous criticisms of the U.S. military. In Kagan's view, the armed forces ought to welcome open homosexuals to their ranks without the slightest reservation; any policy to the contrary, she views as bigotry of the lowest order. In an e-mail that she disseminated to the entire Harvard Law School community in October 2003, Kagan wrote: "I abhor the military's discriminatory [don't ask, don't tell] recruitment policy"—characterizing it as "a profound wrong, a moral injustice of the first order . . . a wrong that tears at the fabric of our own community."

Kagan has long opposed the so-called Solomon Amendment, a law that denies federal funding to any university that "has a policy or practice . . . that either prohibits, or in effect prevents" military personnel "from gaining access to campuses, or access to students . . . on campuses, for purposes of military recruiting." This Amendment was enacted in 1996, in response to a trend where many law schools, as gestures of protest against a federal law barring open homosexuals from military service, were discouraging and/or prohibiting military recruitment on their campuses. When a federal appeals court struck down the Solomon Amendment, Harvard Law, under Kagan's stewardship, became the first major law school in the United States to ban official recruiting on campus. Ed Whelan of the conservative Ethics and Public Policy Center has written: "I doubt that the American public will be impressed that Kagan kicked the military off campus in wartime but welcomed law firms that were donating their services to terrorists."

Kagan also filed an amicus brief urging the Supreme Court to declare the Solomon Amendment unconstitutional. The Court, however, unanimously rejected Kagan's position. Frank Gaffney observed that Kagan's passionate opposition to the Solomon Amendment reflected "her hostility toward the U.S. military." But that very hostility

has proven to be to Kagan's political advantage, because it is ideologically compatible with that of President Obama, who, in a moment of unguarded candor during the presidential campaign, suggested that U.S. troops in Afghanistan were doing a disservice to their mission by "just air raiding villages and killing civilians." When Kagan was confirmed as Solicitor General last year, Gaffney noted that the "likely consequence" would be that "the Justice Department will play an adversarial, rather than supportive, role for our armed forces in an age when they are increasingly subjected to 'lawfare'—the use of legal proceedings to interfere with and, where possible, defeat their missions."

It is noteworthy that Kagan's understanding of the Supreme Court's role mirrors that of her "hero," Thurgood Marshall. In one of her legal writings, Kagan cited Marshall's assertion that the Constitution, "as originally drafted and conceived," was "defective." This view fits hand-in-glove with Obama's celebrated contention that the Constitution "is not a static but rather a living document and must be read in the context of an ever-changing world."

Kagan has also quoted Justice Marshall saying that the Supreme Court's mission is to "show a special solicitude for the despised and the disadvantaged." In those words, we can hear the echoes of Obama saying that in many legal cases, "the critical ingredient" is neither what the law nor the Constitution say, but rather "what is in the judge's heart"; that a judge must prove that he or she is not "dismissive of concerns that it is harder to make it in this world . . . when you are a woman rather than a man"; that a judge ought not "sid[e] on behalf of the powerful against the powerless"; and that a judge should be "somebody who's got the heart, the empathy, to recognize what it's like to be a young teenage mom, the empathy to understand what it's like to be poor or African-American or gay or disabled or old." In essence, these are calls for a jurisprudence of the heart rather than of the law; a jurisprudence aimed at settling old scores on behalf of aggrieved "victim" groups, rather than meting out equal justice to individuals regardless of their demographics.

Ideologically, Elena Kagan is a kindred spirit of Barack Obama. As such, she will keep Justice Stevens' Supreme Court seat firmly situated on the political left. By no means is this the least bit surprising. Elections have consequences, sometimes very predictable ones.

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Chinese Communist's USA Spies

by Alex Newman

A secret FBI videotape showing the transfer of classified military documents to a communist Chinese agent was released in February to the world, providing a brief peek at the shadowy world of espionage against America. Pentagon analyst Gregg Bergersen, with the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, is shown receiving a wad of bills and telling People's Republic of China spy Tai Shen Kuo that he's "very reticent" to let him have the information "because it's all classified."

The documents included sensitive material about weapons sales to Taiwan—a U.S. ally, which the communist regime considers a breakaway province to be conquered eventually—and details of a communications system. Bergersen told Kuo: "You can take all the notes you want . . . but if it ever fell into the wrong hands . . . then I would be fired for sure. I'd go to jail because I violated all the rules." He was eventually convicted and sentenced to five years, while Kuo received a 15-year sentence. The investigation also identified other sources who were providing secrets about American space and naval technology to the PRC.

In February, another Chinese spy was sentenced to 15 years in jail for stealing sensitive secrets from his former employers—Boeing and Rockwell International—and passing them to the communist regime. Engineer Dongfan "Greg" Chung reportedly gave up trade secrets about American space shuttles, military aircraft, and even the Delta IV rocket. Though Chung was 73 years old, the judge said he handed out the possible life sentence as a message to the Chinese government: "Stop sending your spies here."

Chung was reportedly aided in his crimes by Chi Mak, a former defense-contractor engineer. Mak was convicted of conspiring to pass sensitive military technology to the PRC, including information on Navy ships, nuclear submarines, and more. "We will never know the full extent of the damage that Mr. Mak has done to our national security," wrote the judge, who sentenced Mak to 24 years. His family later pled guilty to related criminal charges.

These are just a few of the more recently convicted PRC spies operating in the United States. The FBI has arrested dozens of Chinese on American soil in recent years for involvement in espionage operations on behalf of the communist regime. And according to various reports,

there are close to 500 similar investigations ongoing. The problem is indeed enormous.

Extent and Methods of Spying

Of course, the Chinese government vehemently denies that it is engaged in espionage. “Some people have always favored making up Chinese spy stories for sensationalism,” PRC Foreign Ministry spokesperson Ma Zhaoxu told reporters after the sentencing of Dongfan “Greg” Chung for espionage.

Other communist officials claim that the accusations of spying are designed to “defame China.” Peng Bo, with the “Internet Bureau” of the Chinese Information Office, denied involvement in recent cyber attacks blamed on the regime: “The government has never supported or been involved in cyber attacks, and it will never do so,” he told the state-run Xinhua, adding that the charges were “sheer nonsense” and “groundless.” But nobody really believes that, not any more than they believe Chairman Mao was an “agrarian reformer.”

French author Roger Faligot, who has written dozens of espionage-related books, including *The Chinese Secret Services From Mao to the Olympic Games*, claims there are some two million Chinese spies working with the communist state’s security apparatus. The regime has countless agencies engaged in intelligence gathering, including the Ministry of State Security; various military intelligence agencies; multiple industrial, political, and economic espionage departments; and more.

Hiding behind “diplomatic immunity” and using blackmail, bribery, special privileges, strategic “business” partnerships, cyber attacks, and a wide array of other methods, China’s spies have been extremely successful in their efforts.

“The Chinese are the biggest problem we have with respect to the level of effort that they’re devoting against us versus the level of attention we are giving to them,” former U.S. counterintelligence chief Michelle Van Cleave told CBS, explaining that it was impossible to know the true magnitude of the problem. And she isn’t the only concerned American official.

In its 2007 annual report to Congress on the military power of the PRC, the Department of Defense explained that Chinese espionage is a critical threat. “Several high profile legal cases highlight China’s efforts to obtain sen-

sitive U.S. technologies (e.g., missile, imaging, semiconductor, and submarine) illegally by targeting well-placed scientists and businessmen,” explained the report. “U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials have rated China’s aggressive and wide-ranging espionage as the leading threat to U.S. technology. Since 2000, ICE has initiated more than 400 investigations involving the illicit export of U.S. arms and technologies to China.”

American military and government-related intelligence is one of the top priorities for Chinese intelligence services. Fengzhi Li, a former spy recruiter for the communist regime who defected and is now seeking asylum in the United States, told CBS’ *60 Minutes* that “without a doubt,” China’s Ministry of State Security dedicates most of its efforts to spying on America.

Chinese espionage against the U.S. military goes back a long way, too. It has even been aided in recent decades by some top American officials, including a former U.S. President. Bill Clinton helped the hostile communist government access some of the most sensitive American military technology while covering up various crimes for the regime and its agents. As documented in the February 15, 1999 “Chinagate: Treason in the White House” issue of *The New American*, Clinton’s collaboration was secured in exchange for massive unlawful campaign contributions.

“President Clinton promised to restrain those who ordered the Tiananmen Square massacre, but he has now allowed these men whose hands are stained with the blood of martyrs of freedom into the highest reaches of our military defenses, and made available to them significant portions of our advanced military technology,” wrote former Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Admiral Thomas Moorer.

Chinese espionage against the U.S. government and armed forces has been so successful that it may seem there cannot be a whole lot left for the regime to steal. A late-1990s congressional committee found that the Chinese regime already possessed vast amounts of America’s most sensitive military information, including the designs of American thermonuclear weapons.

But military and government secrets aren’t the only things the regime is seeking. Economic espionage has become a huge drain on the American economy. “The Cold War isn’t over, it has just moved into a new arena: the global marketplace,” notes the FBI on its website. The

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agency estimates that “every year billions of U.S. dollars are lost to foreign competitors who deliberately target economic intelligence in flourishing U.S. industries and technologies, and who cull intelligence out of shelved technologies by exploiting open source and classified information known as trade secrets.” Current estimates on the cost of economic espionage to U.S. businesses are difficult to find, but FBI Director Robert Mueller told the Detroit Economic Club in 2003 that “theft of trade secrets and critical technologies—what we call economic espionage—costs our nation upwards of \$250 billion a year.” And China is the main problem.

The examples of Chinese economic espionage aren’t new either. From spying on American firms in Silicon Valley to stealing proprietary software from foreign firms in China, the regime does it all. Some analysts, like cyber-security expert Alan Paller of the SANS (SysAdmin, Audit, Network, Security) Institute, claim that every foreign company with operations in China has probably had its computer networks compromised by the communist government.

Earlier this year, the family-owned American software firm Cybersitter initiated a federal lawsuit against the PRC and two contractors for stealing its proprietary anti-pornography software. The regime used it to censor the Internet in China. “I don’t think I have ever seen such clear-cut stealing,” said an attorney for the company. The estimated damages to Cybersitter: over \$2 billion.

Then there is the spying on dissidents. Owing to the totalitarian nature of the Chinese regime, countless people have fled the country. But it turns out they aren’t safe no matter where they go. Fengzhi Li, the former Chinese intelligence officer who defected and is seeking asylum in the United States, told a news conference last year after speaking before Congress that the communist government spies on spiritual groups, dissidents, and “aggrieved poor people” overseas.

Former Chinese diplomat Chen Yonglin, who was based in Australia and also recently defected, told New Tang Dynasty Television about some of the methods used by the communist regime to control Chinese populations abroad in order to further communist aims. These include setting up “fake” umbrella organizations to create the illusion that all Chinese living outside China think like the Chinese Communist Party. He said officials would send students and other spies to Chinese human-rights demonstrations to act as *agents provocateurs* and compile lists of who attended.

“Basically, the Chinese student organization in ev-

ery school is under [Chinese Communist Party] control, other than the ones started by individuals with views that disagree with the CCP’s,” he said. “Their operation funds mostly come from the education department of the consulate, and meetings are held on consulate grounds. The representatives and the chair persons in the student organizations are appointed by the consulate.” Many of the groups’ websites even openly acknowledge the connection.

In his tenure as a high-level Chinese diplomat in Australia, Yonglin spent much of his time keeping tabs on Falun Gong practitioners and waging a propaganda war against them. He revealed that there was a 1,000-member-strong Chinese spy network operating in the country.

Indeed, the regime expends a great deal of effort spying on Chinese dissidents in Europe as well. In early March, a Swedish court convicted Babur Maihesuti of aggravated illegal espionage against members of the persecuted Chinese-minority Uighur community exiled in Sweden. According to the court, he gathered information regarding the travel habits, health, refugee status, and political inclination of Uighurs and transferred it to the communist regime.

One of the most serious espionage threats from the Chinese government is found on college campuses, according to experts, officials, and defectors. There are an estimated 150,000 Chinese students studying at American universities, according to *Time* magazine. And according to officials, the institutions are a prime target for spies seeking sensitive technological information. Of course, not all Chinese students in America are here to spy or steal information. Many of them are here in search of a better life away from the pervasive thumb of communist authoritarianism. But not all of them. According to a survey by China’s official news organ, 81 percent of Chinese students in America plan to return home after receiving their U.S. education.

“Everything that’s needed for a modern industrial military state is leaving here, and going there,” University of Michigan aerospace engineering professor Bill Kauffman explained in a video interview with investigative reporter Vince Wade about the problem.

Ultimate Goals

So what are the aims of the communist regime’s espionage activities? Different experts interviewed by *The New American* for this story expressed various opinions, but none of the theories are good.

“The Chinese are assembling a comprehensive ‘map’ of the U.S. government and economy while simultane-

ously looting our high technology for their own industrial and economic purposes,” explained Charles Viar, a former U.S. counterintelligence official and the chair of the Center for Intelligence Studies. The goal, he said, is “to achieve international hegemony—peacefully, if possible. At minimal military cost, if not.”

“The Chinese are moving forward with building an aircraft carrier, they’re establishing ports all over, and advanced missile systems and satellite systems,” said Roger Canfield, Ph.D., author of several books on the Chinese regime and its espionage operations, including *China’s Trojan Horses: Red Chinese Soldiers, Sailors, Students, Scientists, and Spies Occupy America’s Homeland*. He told *The New American* that the long-term goal was military modernization on a scale that would someday be able to challenge American power.

Chinese dissidents who have experienced the regime’s brutality are acutely aware of the possibilities for danger. “The Communist Party wants to survive, and it will steal for survival—it’s self-interest,” explained Samuel Zhou, the executive vice president of New Tang Dynasty Television and a native-born Chinese who emigrated to America after the Tiananmen Square massacre. In an interview with *The New American*, he explained: “They need to grow the economy to defend themselves from the mass[es] . . . so they need economic information. And then there’s Taiwan of course. . . . Whether they have the power to conquer the world—that’s still far away. But they do want to have at least this kind of control—they want to control others, and once they have this information, they have ways to manipulate people. . . . I don’t want to make a prediction now, but communism is communism—they have no principles. If they can kill tens of millions of their own people, what could they do to the world? It’s kind of obvious.”

Former Canadian Minister of Parliament David Kilgour, also a former Minister of State for the Asia-Pacific region, put it bluntly. “There’s absolutely no doubt that their long term goal is world domination and to put the United States—as much as they can—out of business, and to become the world’s superpower,” he told *The New American*. “They want to run the whole planet.”

And indeed, the communist government has given good indications of their way of thinking. Top Chinese military officials have openly discussed destroying American cities with nuclear weapons, especially if the United States intervenes militarily on behalf of Taiwan. “If the Americans draw their missiles and position-guided ammunition on to the target zone on China’s territory, I think we will have to respond with nuclear weapons,” said Chinese Major General Zhu Chenghu in a speech. “We Chinese will prepare ourselves for the destruction of all of the cities east of Xian. Of course, the Americans will have to be prepared that hundreds of cities will be destroyed by the Chinese.”

What It All Means

Most of the analysts who discussed with *The New American* the effectiveness of law enforcement and counterintelligence agreed that the U.S. government was not doing enough to counter the threat. “American counter-espionage—the FBI—has been largely ineffective against the Chinese and, indeed, the Chinese have twice managed to suborn FBI agents deployed against them (using sexual lures),” said Charles Viar, of the Center for Intelligence Studies, in an e-mail to *The New American*.

In its recommendations to Congress, the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission suggested an assessment of export control enforcement and counterintelligence efforts, and possibly providing more funding for operations to prevent illicit technology transfer to the regime or its industrial espionage programs. It also recommended a review of American military and intelligence computer networks.

Some of the methods suggested by experts interviewed for this story include properly vetting Chinese students aiming to study in American universities, tightening export controls on sensitive technology, and actively enforcing the restrictions, among other proposals. Increasing resources to counterespionage programs would help, too.

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