

How to save ourselves from Chinese, Democrat Party communism



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The Biden regime's support for socialists throughout Latin America is aiding China's efforts to dominate the region. We must recognize and counter the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) imperialist ambitions or lose our liberty. We cannot do so with an antiliberty regime in the White House that hates America and all it stands for.

We must survive the next two years with Biden in the executive and recover our government from those whose goal is to transform the federal government into a dictatorship. One step in this direction, which has begun, is congressional Republicans investigating the Biden regime and informing the public of the truth.

Even though meaningful legislation will almost surely not become law, the Republican-majority House must propose bills to counter the Biden regime's harmful policies. This shows voters that Republicans, hopefully with some Democrat support, would stop the march to tyranny of those behind the regime and restore US strength and values.

Last year, about 82 percent of Americans [had](#) an unfavorable view of China. About 90 percent of US adults say China is a "somewhat serious problem" for the United States, and 62 percent say it is a "very serious problem." This is likely why the House voted 365-65, including 146 Democrats, to create the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party. Similarly, 109 Democrats voted for Representative Maria Salazar's (R-FL) [resolution](#) "Denouncing the horrors of socialism."

Also in line with constituent concerns, Congress has two bills to lessen dependence on China and increase trade with Latin America. Salazar's and Senator Bill Cassidy's (R-LA) draft [Americas Act](#) and Representative Mark Green's (R-TN) [Western Hemisphere Nearshoring Act](#) would accomplish those goals if passed.

In 2020, the FBI [reported](#) that the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) "believes it is in a generational fight to surpass our country in economic and technological leadership ... It's waging this fight not through legitimate innovation, not through fair and lawful competition ... China is engaged in a whole-of-state effort to become the world's only superpower by any means necessary."

China has [increased](#) its trade with Latin America from \$12 billion in 2000 to more than \$430 billion in 2021. It is now the top trading partner for nine Latin American countries and second overall to the United States. Regionally, China has extended more than \$140 billion in sovereign loans since 2005 and has provided billions in loans to private companies

through its China Development Bank and the Export-Import Bank of China.

The COVID-19 pandemic underlined the need to lessen economic dependence on China. The CCP's increasing penetration of Latin America heightens that need. As former international-relations lecturer at Francisco Marroquín University Nicholas Virzi [says](#), "China aspires to a military presence close to US shores."

Virzi notes that China controls 63 percent of the world's rare-earth mining, 85 percent of its processing, and 92 percent of rare-earth magnet production—critical weaponry and high-tech components. Besides the Biden regime's energy policy empowering Russia and Iran, the phony climate alarmism it promotes outsources US defense to China.

Despite public support and importance to national security, the Cassidy-Salazar and Green bills will find a staunch but surreptitious opponent in the State Department (DOS). Although DOS runs its own foreign policy, it is in lockstep with and works together with the Biden regime to [spread](#) socialism throughout Latin America.

The Diplomat news website [notes](#) that for Xi Jinping's efforts against Taiwan, "The Western Hemisphere is ground zero." It identifies only eight countries in the Americas as "diplomatic allies" of Taiwan. Both bills require that countries receiving benefits work with Taiwan.

Virzi notes that Guatemala is the ideal spot for the bills' proposals. In addition to untapped productive potential, Guatemala has no relation with the CCP and is a stalwart [ally](#) of Taiwan and the United States. The current Guatemalan government is combating illegal migration— [without help](#) from the Biden regime—and narcotrafficking in [conjunction](#) with US security agencies and the Justice Department.

DOS has for a decade [worked](#) to impose [criminal socialists](#)—successors to the Fidel Castro-supported guerrilla—on successive Guatemalan governments and [undermine](#) legal authorities. DOS ignored or evaded various [congressional inquiries](#) last year about this because lying is a felony, and the truth would expose DOS criminality.

Actions to lessen US dependence on China and strengthen national security, reflected in the Cassidy-Salazar and Green bills, would expose anti-American DOS activities. Representatives James Comer (R-KY) and Jim Jordan (R-OH), chairs of the Oversight and Judiciary committees, respectively, have [announced](#) they will investigate recently [reported](#) DOS [bankrolling](#) of “a ‘disinformation’ tracking group blacklisting conservative news outlets.”

US liberty and security compel congressional Republicans to investigate and inform the public about China’s anti-US activities and the Biden regime’s weaponization of the government at home and abroad. Ideally, these efforts will include Democrats who supported the creation of the select committee on China and Salazar’s antisocialism resolution.

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