

# Trump Praises China and Xi Jinping, But Pompeo, Pence And FBI Wray Say the Opposite. Why?

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FF Editorial: The commentary by my very dear friend Mike Billington below, will I hope, give all of you reading this article another perspective (which I am sure, it has never occurred to your mind). Regardless, whether you agree or disagree, THINK, THINK DEEPLY and learn THAT THERE IS ALWAYS ANOTHER ANGLE. But, you must be willing to peel the Onion to get to the core and not wear blinkers. You won't know for sure who or what is right or wrong, unless you have considered all angles.

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*The following is, I believe, a definitive demonstration that President Trump has a totally different view of the world than Vice President Pence and those who are supposed to be representing him in his Cabinet, and in particular Pompeo and FBI Chief Christopher Wray.*

*What follows are quotes from Trump at the signing ceremony Wednesday at the White House of the Phase One Trade Deal with China. He makes clear his view of China as a great nation and Xi as a great leader. I follow this with recent quotes from Pence, Pompeo and Wray saying the exact opposite.*

*Don't conclude that Trump could easily fire them all -- he is, as he has said, a man on an island. He is working with Putin behind the scenes to resolve the Iran/Iraq crisis, as he did in Syria. But it is most urgent that all people of good will join in support of Helga Zepp-LaRouche's call for Trump, Putin and Xi to hold an emergency summit, immediately, to stop the now intense threat of war, and to bring in a new era of cooperation in development and culture.* Mike Billington

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**PRESIDENT TRUMP:** Today, we take a momentous step — one that has never been taken before with China — toward a future of fair and reciprocal trade, as we sign phase one of the historic trade deal between the United States and China. Together, we are righting the wrongs of the past and delivering a future of economic justice and security for American workers, farmers, and families.

I want to thank President Xi, who is watching as we speak — and I'll be going over to China in the not-too-distant future to reciprocate — but I want

to thank President Xi, a very, very good friend of mine. We've — we're representing different countries. He's representing China. I'm representing the U.S. But we've developed an incredible relationship. But I want to thank him for his cooperation and partnership throughout this very complex process. Our negotiations were tough, honest, open, and respectful — leading us to this really incredible breakthrough. Most people thought this could never happen. It should have happened 25 years ago, by the way. But that's okay....

A man who also has become a good friend of mine and somebody who's very, very talented and very capable, we're delighted to be joined by Vice Premier Liu He, Ambassador Cui, and many other representatives from the People's Republic of China....

And, by the way, I just see in the audience our great Ambassador to China, right? Governor. So we had the governor of Iowa, and he loves China. And he's the long- — you're the longest-serving governor in the history of our country. Like 24 years. And I called him. I said, "Governor, you have to do me a favor." Because I remember one conversation I had with him. I was going in to make a speech, before the election, and he said, "Sir, please don't say anything bad about China." It's the first time anyone ever said that to me. (Laughter.) And I said, "Who is this guy?" He's the governor of Iowa. He just said, "Don't say bad about China." So I had to rip up about half of my speech, right? (Laughter.) And I said, "Why?" And he said, "Well, we do a lot of business. I've been dealing with China for 35 years, with corn and all of the different things." And he told me a story that was amazing. He said, "You know, 35 years ago, when I started, I met a man named Xi. He wasn't President then; he was a young man." And the governor came back. He told his wife, he said — this is 35 years ago. And it's documented. He said, "I just met the future President of China." And nobody thought much about it. And you know what? Twenty-eight years later, you turned out to be right. And you have been an incredible ambassador. And they like each other so much. So when it came time to picking the important position of ambassador, I said, "Haven't you had enough after 24 years being governor of Iowa?" He said, "If you want me to do that." And it's been a great — you've been a great help. Thank you very much, Ambassador. (Applause.) I appreciate it. Done a great job. Nobody could have done that job better....

Now our efforts have yielded a transformative deal that will bring tremendous benefits to both countries. We have a great relationship with China, we have a great relationship with the leadership of China, and China fully understands that there has to be a certain reciprocity. There has to be. It cannot continue like this. It would be dangerous for it to continue like it was. This is an unbelievable deal for the United States. And, ultimately, it's a great deal for both countries. And it's going to also lead to even a more stable peace throughout the world....

China is helping us with North Korea. China is helping us with a lot of the things that they can be helping us with — which you don't see in a deal, but

they have been very, very helpful with respect to Kim Jong Un, who has great respect for President Xi. And it's all a very, very beautiful game of chess, or a game of poker, or — I can't use the word "checkers" because it's far greater than any checker game that I've ever seen. But it's a very beautiful mosaic....

But China is giving us a lot of help, and we're giving them a lot of help on things that we help them with. And one of the things that we are also talking about is fentanyl. And President Xi has already instituted very strong penalties and arrested large numbers of people who are sending fentanyl into our country. That never happened before. (Applause.)....

So, from this nation's vibrant heartland to our gleaming cities, millions of workers and farmers and innovators have waited decades for this day. We never even had a deal with China. In all fairness, I don't blame China. I blame the people that stood here before me. I don't blame China. I told that to President Xi....

As we move on to phase two, I look forward to continuing to forge a future of greater harmony, prosperity, and, really, commerce — commerce and — far beyond commerce, between the United States and China. This is something that — far beyond even this deal — it's going to lead to an even stronger world peace.

We now have a big investment in each other and in getting along with each other. And this deal is phase one. We'll probably be able to conclude it with phase two. We don't expect to have a phase three. But it's something that we all want to get done, and it'll be a tremendously big deal... This China is an incredible, incredible nation.

The Chinese Trade Representative Liu He then read a letter from Xi Jinping to Trump. Xi praised the deal as an important step towards cooperation in win-win policies. But he also sent a message to the anti-China mob in the US, saying: "In that spirit, I hope the U.S. side will treat fairly Chinese companies and their regular trade and investment activities, and give support to the collaboration between enterprises, research institutes, and schools and colleges of the two countries as it will help enhance mutual trust and cooperation between us."

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**Here are samples of the anti-China hysterics coming from those surrounding the President:**

**SECRETARY POMPEO**, at the Hudson Institute, Oct. 30, 2019, describes China as hostile to the US and dedicated to world domination, having the gall to accuse China of using "coercion" in statecraft. He openly rants that the US should have acted against the rise of China. Perhaps forgetting what was revealed by Snowden, he calls China a "truly Orwellian surveillance state":

"We're finally realizing the degree to which the Chinese Communist Party is truly hostile to the United States and our values, and how they impact us."

"Frankly, we've been slow to see the risk of China – the risk that it poses to American national security, because we wanted friendship with the People's Republic from the very start. And because we, as Americans, always continue to hope for that. But frankly, in our efforts to achieve this goal, we accommodated and encouraged China's rise for decades, even when – even when that rise was at the expense of American values, Western democracy, and security, and good common sense."

"Today, we're finally realizing the degree to which the Chinese Communist Party is truly hostile to the United States and our values, and its worse deeds and words and how they impact us. And we're able to do that because of the leadership of President Trump."

"When we see Beijing use coercion as a preferred tool of statecraft, it's not good for those of us who believe in democracy and sovereignty as the fundamental norms that ought to dominate world commerce and the way nations interact."

"The Chinese Communist Party is a Marxist-Leninist Party focused on struggle and international domination. We need only listen to the words of their leaders."

"We need to make sure American technology doesn't empower a truly Orwellian surveillance state. We need to make sure American principles aren't sacrificed for prosperity," he said.

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**VICE PRESIDENT PENCE**, Oct. 4, 2018, at the Hudson Institute, attacked China's massive Belt and Road infrastructure projects around the world, complained that millions of Americans have access to CGTN, and that China wants to "push the US from the Western Pacific:"

"Beijing is employing a whole-of-government approach, using political, economic, and military tools, as well as propaganda, to advance its influence and benefit its interests in the United States. It's employing this power in more proactive and coercive ways to interfere in the domestic policies of this country and to interfere in the politics of the United States."

"China wants nothing less than to push the United States of America from the Western Pacific and attempt to prevent us from coming to the aid of our allies."

"China has chosen economic aggression, which has in turn emboldened its growing military."

"China has built an unparalleled surveillance state, and it's growing more expansive and intrusive – often with the help of U.S. technology."

"China uses so-called "debt diplomacy" to expand its influence. Today, that country is offering hundreds of billions of dollars in infrastructure loans to governments from Asia to Africa to Europe and even Latin America. Yet the terms of those loans are opaque at best, and the benefits invariably flow overwhelmingly to Beijing."

"And worst of all, China has initiated an unprecedented effort to influence American public opinion, the 2018 elections, and the environment leading into the 2020 presidential elections. To put it bluntly, President Trump's leadership is working; and China wants a different American President."

"China Radio International now broadcasts Beijing-friendly programs on over 30 U.S. outlets, many in major American cities. The China Global Television Network reaches more than 75 million Americans, and it gets its marching orders directly from its Communist Party masters."

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**FBI DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER WRAY**, on Feb. 13, 2018, before the Congress, announced that every Chinese or Chinese-American is now considered a target for FBI surveillance:

"I think in this setting I would just say that the use of non-traditional collectors, especially in the academic setting, whether it's professors, scientists, students, we see in almost every field office that the FBI has around the country.... They're exploiting the very open research and development environment that we have, which we all revere, but they're taking advantage of it. So, one of the things we're trying to do is view the China threat as not just a 'whole-of-government' threat but a 'whole-of-society' threat on their end, and I think it's going to take a whole-of-society response by us. So, it's not just the intelligence community, but it's raising awareness within our academic sector, within our private sector, as part of the defense."