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The Honorable Scott Bessent Secretary U.S. Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. Washington, DC 20220

Dear Secretary Bessent:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is investigating Chinese Communist Party (CCP) efforts to sow discord in the United States, and is conducting oversight over the U.S. Government's ability and efforts under existing law to combat such efforts. Specifically, the Committee is investigating CCP influence operations that may fall within the purview of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA), 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq* and other federal laws. We write today to request that the U.S. Department of Treasury (Treasury) and any relevant component thereof immediately undertake a formal evaluation to determine the applicability of federal sanctions laws and any other civil remedies or criminal penalties enforced by Treasury—to include the freezing or seizure of assets—with respect to certain far-left entities, organized and funded by Neville Roy Singham. It is imperative that we expeditiously halt the continued flow of funds and material support for malign activities conducted at the behest of the CCP.

Reportedly, Mr. Singham, a U.S. citizen with ties to the CCP, has been funding and supporting various extremist entities in the United States with the aim of causing destruction and division in our country. On July 10, 2024, Secretary Marco Rubio, then-Vice Chairman of the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and Senator Lindsey Graham, then-Ranking Member of the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, wrote to Attorney General Merrick Garland raising concerns about Mr. Singham's activities on behalf of the CCP. It does not appear that the Biden Administration addressed this potential source of civil unrest. Recently, Mr. Singham's activities, according to data scientist Ms. Jennica Pounds, have expanded to include the foment of unrest and civil disobedience in Los Angeles—prompting President Donald Trump to call in the National Guard to counter attacks on federal law enforcement officials. It has been

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See, e.g., Mara Hvistendahl, et al., A Global Web of Chinese Propaganda Leads to a U.S. Tech Mogul, N.Y. TIMES (Aug. 5, 2023); and Gabe Kaminsky, Chinese Communist Party-allied group behind Hamas-friendly protests in US, WASH. EXAM. (Nov. 9, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Letter from Marco Rubio, Vice Chairman, U.S. Senate Select Comm. on Intel., & Lindsey O. Graham, Ranking Member, U.S. Senate Comm. on the Judiciary, to Merrick Garland, Att'y Gen., U.S. Dep't of Just. (July 10, 2024). <sup>3</sup> (@DataRepublican), X, (June 9, 2025, 4:05 PM) *available at* https://x.com/DataRepublican/status/1932167090523492776.

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reported that Mr. Singham is "the main backer behind" the Party for Socialism and Liberation, which has organized nationwide protests, including riots in Los Angeles. 5

According to the *New York Times*, Mr. Singham, who resides in the People's Republic of China, has a long track-record of assisting far-left entities, such as Code Pink, that oppose U.S. interests and support U.S. adversaries. He has created an elaborate dark money network which allows him to send funds to a series of non-profits, such as the "United Community Fund" and "Justice Education Fund," that have almost no real footprints. Non-profit filings show that nearly \$1.8 million flowed from these non-profits to Chinese media company Maku Group. Maku's website shows young people gathering in Mr. Singham's office, facing a banner that reads, "Always Follow the Party," with an image of General Secretary Xi Jinping in the background. In 2019, Mr. Singham started a consulting business with Chinese partners "active in the propaganda apparatus" of the CCP. Moreover, it appears that Mr. Singham supports BreakThrough Media, a platform known for promoting pro-CCP talking points and geopolitical interests. According to the *New York Times*, reporters "tracked hundreds of millions of dollars to groups linked to Mr. Singham that mix progressive advocacy with Chinese government talking points."

These reports suggest that Mr. Singham may have acted as an agent for the CCP. Under General Secretary Xi, the CCP is known for its "Strategy of Sowing Discord," which "refers to efforts to make internal disputes amongst the enemy so deep that they become distracted from conflict." If Mr. Singham is carrying out this strategy on behalf of the CCP, he may have an unfulfilled FARA registration obligation. FARA's purpose is "to protect the national defense, internal security, and foreign relations of the United States by requiring public disclosure by persons engaging in propaganda activities for or on behalf of foreign governments, foreign political parties, and other foreign principals." Disclosures under FARA enable "the Government and the people of the United States [to] be informed of the identity of such persons and [to] appraise their statements and actions in the light of their associations and activities." 16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Isabel Vincent, Suspected DC Jewish Museum terrorist Elias Rodriguez has links to radical groups funded by socialist multi-millionaire Neville Singham, N. Y. Post (May 23, 2025).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> (@DataRepublican), X, supra n. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Hvistendahl, et al., supra n. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> *Id*.

<sup>10</sup> Id

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> NETWORK CONTAGION RSCH. INST., CONTAGIOUS DISRUPTION: HOW CCP INFLUENCE AND RADICAL IDEOLOGIES THREATEN CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAMPUSES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, 8-9, 15 (May 13, 2024); and Kaminsky, *supra* n. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Hvistendahl, et al., supra n. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Martin Purbrick, *United Front Work and Beyond: How the Chinese Communist Party Penetrates the United States and Western Societies*, THE JAMESTOWN FOUNDATION: GLOB. RSCH. & ANALYSIS (Apr. 12, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 22 U.S.C. §§ 611(c), 611(o).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Pub. L. No. 77-532, 56 Stat. 248, 248-249 (1942).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> *Id*.

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Mr. Singham has expanded his network to include not only far-left, pro-CCP entities, but also radical, antisemitic entities. One such organization is Shut It Down for Palestine (SID4P), an entity established in October 2023. 17 According to the Network Contagion Research Institute, "Conveners," or organizations operating under the SID4P umbrella, are members of Singham's donor portfolio. 18 These organizations include the People's Forum, ANSWER Coalition, International People's Assembly, Al-Awda NY, National Students for Justice in Palestine, Palestinian Youth Movement, and Palestinian American Community Center NJ. 19 Some of these groups have ties to U.S.-designated foreign terrorist organizations, such as the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP). 20 Moreover, one of the SID4P's "Endorsers" is an entity known as Samidoun, which according to open-source reporting is a front for the PFLP. 21

The Committee wrote to Mr. Singham in June requesting his cooperation with our investigation by providing documents and communications related to these matters. <sup>22</sup> To date, he has ignored the Committee's request. In addition to potential criminal liability for failing to register as a foreign agent under FARA these reported activities and the entities controlled by and funded by Mr. Singham raise the question of whether his assets and/or the assets of entities he controls or funds are subject to sanctions administered or enforced by Treasury and its components.

We therefore request that the Treasury immediately undertake a formal evaluation to determine the applicability of any relevant sanctions and any other civil remedies or criminal penalties for Mr. Singham's assets, and the assets of entities he controls or funds, including whether to freeze or seize such assets. Such an evaluation should include, in addition to Mr. Singham's directly controlled assets, the following entities alleged to have ties with Mr. Singham:

- 1. Party for Socialism and Liberation;
- 2. Code Pink;
- 3. No Cold War;
- 4. Tricontinental;
- 5. United Community Fund;
- 6. Justice and Education Fund;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> NETWORK CONTAGION RSCH. INST. Rep., *supra* n. 11 at 8-9, 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> *Id.* at 8-15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Foreign Terrorist Organizations, U.S. DEP'T OF STATE, available at https://www.state.gov/foreign-terrorist-organizations/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> NETWORK CONTAGION RSCH. INST. Rep., *supra* n. 11 at 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Letter from James Comer, Chairman, Committee on Oversight & Government Reform to Neville Singham (June 13, 2025).

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- 7. People's Support Foundation;
- 8. New Fame;
- 9. People's Forum;
- 10. Dongsheng News;
- 11. Shut It Down for Palestine;
- 12. ANSWER Coalition;
- 13. International People's Assembly;
- 14. Al-Awda NY;
- 15. National Students for Justice in Palestine;
- 16. Palestinian Youth Movement;
- 17. Palestinian American Community Center NJ;
- 18. Samidoun; and
- 19. BreakThrough Media.

In addition to conducting the comprehensive evaluation requested above, we further request that Treasury keep the Committee updated as to the status of the evaluation and any conclusions or outcomes, including, as necessary, by briefing us periodically on Treasury's progress in this specific matter as well as Treasury's abilities to combat CCP influence operations as a general matter. This information is essential to evaluate current legal authorities and to inform legislation ensuring the U.S. Government has adequate capabilities to combat CCP influence operations.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate "any matter" at "any time" under House Rule X. To schedule any briefings or to ask any related follow-up questions, please contact the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority staff at (202) 225-5074. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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Sincerely,

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