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China's Dark Scheme

Throughout history, China has been constantly subdued and trampled on by Western powers such as Great Britain. Events such as the Opium Wars or the Boxer Rebellion would be seen as humiliations for the Chinese people for centuries to come. However, the humiliation continued after Qing China broke into a multitude of different warring states in the decades prior to World War Two. Two of the many warring states were Communist China and Nationalist China. Both of these states desired a unified China that would finally be perceived as a significant power by nations across the globe. Most importantly, they both crave respect from other countries instead of laughter. At first, Nationalist China was the colossal, bulkier China dominating a large portion of Asia's landmass. However, after Japan decided to invade in 1937, Nationalist China and Communist China were humiliatingly coerced to ally with each other in order to defeat the dangerous, well trained Japanese Imperial Army. During the war, support for the Nationalists were significantly weakened due to casualties on the battlefield and the constant, shameful retreats. The Chinese people started to question whether Nationalist China was really the supreme China. This eventually resulted in a growing support for the Communists. After the war with Japan ended in 1945, the Nationalists and the Communists immediately started fighting each other. Due to how weakened the Nationalist army was after World War Two, the

Communists claimed the entirety of China as their own. After a few bumps in the road that included famines, massacres, and genocides, China was finally able to become a player on the global scale instead of a miniscule, peasant nation. Now, China's full potential is finally being realized by countries of the West such as the United States. The laughter has finally ceased, and fear has taken its place. Through the power of suppression, reliance, and investments abroad, China strives to dominate the Earth in a fashion unseen in both history and in the modern era.

By using the power of suppression, China will have the ability to bully its competitors and citizens into obediently listening to their commands. In 2020, China plans on requiring all citizens to register for a Social Credit System (Botsman). This system utilizes technology such as cameras and smartphones in order to enable China to rate all of its citizens on a scale of 350 to 950 (Botsman). A higher credit score would allow citizens to take out larger loans and travel more freely. Basically, the lives of ideal, obedient citizens become better and more convenient. On the other hand, a lower credit score will cripple an individual to the point that life would become inconvenient and unbearable. For instance, people with a low credit score may have their rights to travel revoked or loan capacities lowered. Through spying on citizens' movement with technology, China can proficiently rate each citizen using an algorithm that intelligently rates individuals up for acceptable behavior and lower individuals with unacceptable behavior. With this algorithm, the citizens of China will need to be conscious of every single action they take or else their lives may become intolerable with such a low credit score. Most importantly, the Chinese population will be unable to express their doubts about the Communist Party without taking a massive hit to their social credit score. The Chinese government will have a tight grip

on their citizens after this is enabled in 2020. Suppression of any actions or words against China will facilitate the government in their strategy to dominate the world.

In addition to these methods of suppression using technology, the Communist Party subtly extinguishes propaganda against China's interests within the innocent movie platform. In recent times, no hollywood movie has attempted to tarnished China's reputation. This is because "only 34 American films" are allowed to be aired on Chinese soil (Hendricks). With billions of dollars of profit at stake due to China's enormous population, Hollywood's movies must morph itself to fit China's agenda even if the United States and the west are harmed by such actions. This includes suppressing any sort of content that belittles China. On the other hand, Hollywood has no issues releasing movies such as Snowden that place the United States in a bad light. When people from around the world see Snowden or any movie depreciating the United States, the credibility of America and the west is placed into question. The fact that China's control over the movie industry surpasses America's control signals that the communist regime may already have more power than the United States. This suppression of the movie industry is quite troubling considering that many countries seem to underestimate the capabilities of this eastern nation.

China has committed a multitude of human rights violations against ethnic minorities in order to bolster control over the population and suppress disobedience. The ethnic minorities being suppressed and being held in questionable conditions are the Uighur Muslim populations in West China. Approximately "one million" Uighur Muslims are currently being held in conditions reminiscent of concentration camps (Irwin). "Mistreatments, torture, and mysterious deaths" are constant at these facilities (Irwin). The surface level reason for imprisoning these

non-Chinese individuals is due to a clash between Han Chinese and Uigur Muslims that “left at least 196 dead” in 2009 (Irwin). At first glance, the imprisonment of Uighurs may seem justified; however, the violence was caused by the ongoing migration of Han Chinese into their region. The Uighurs were usually not cooperative with the Chinese government due to mistreatment from the Hans, so the Communist Party thought that replacing their population with more Han Chinese would resolve the issue. Hence, even more Han Chinese soon started pouring into the area, and they too discriminated against the Uighur population. Shortly after, the Uighurs protested the discrimination and mistreatment, but this ended in a massacre. The deaths of so many Han Chinese is not justified, but the imprisonment of one million Uighurs is not within the bounds of morality either. Therefore, the Uighurs imprisoned since they were seen as disloyal and different. These types of populations can begin revolutions; moreover, they must be suppressed and kept out of public view. Deleting problem ethnic groups and ethnically unifying the population are key ingredients that lead to less crime and higher stability in China which allow the Communist Party to exercise more control over the population.

In 2015, China has announced a plan named Made in China 2025 that will bolster every country's reliance on China while decreasing their own reliance on other countries. In the first phase of this plan, China strives to achieve “70 percent self-sufficiency in high-tech industries” so that reliance on foreign countries can be reduced (McBride and Chatzky). By 2049, the second phase of this plan demands China to morph itself into a self-reliant superpower that can produce all necessary tech products within its borders (McBride and Chatzky). Currently, China must import “60 percent” of the world's semiconductors each year while producing only “13 percent” of the world supply (McBride and Chatzky). With China's current reliance on trading,

this eastern power is not nearly as efficient as possible; therefore, prices may be a little higher as a result. In addition, trade brings about profit for the countries China trades with. With less imports being planned in the future and the cost of goods likely being cut due to this new found efficiency, China can easily outperform and dominate the global market placing many foreign companies out of business. With companies indigenous to countries such as the United States or the United Kingdom out of business, these countries will be coerced to purchase goods and technology from China. Hence, these countries will act as China's puppet so that they can still receive exports from the Communists while still upholding a consumerist lifestyle. By causing self reliance on other consumerist nations, China plans to control the world's most powerful countries so that their interests are pursued.

China must invest abroad in order for world domination to occur. China has been purchasing many ports in Europe spanning from France all the way to Greece (Johnson). To put this into perspective, China owns "about one-tenth of all European port capacity" (Johnson). This is all apart of the Belt and Road Initiative which is basically the 21st century version of the Silk Road (Chatzky and McBride). These ports ensure that Chinese goods will be more efficiently transferred into the European countries. This trade will bolster China's economy and status as a world power due to the massive profits that come from trade. Eventually, this trade will also result in many European nations relying on Chinese goods since many European companies may not be able to compete with China's inexpensive merchandise. In addition to strengthening China's power status, controlling ports can also facilitate any future plans that China could be crafting. For instance, China could perhaps send a portion of their land army within these ports and stage an invasion of the European mainland. Therefore, the Communist

Party's control of so many ports of powerful European nations is very concerning for the safety of Europe's population. China's investments in European ports directly facilitates the plan for world domination by further strengthening trade and allowing easy access for Chinese military activity to enter Europe.

Another purpose of China's Belt and Road initiative is to facilitate the growth of infrastructure in developing nations by making massive investments. Unfortunately, many of these nations request absurd amounts of money in loans; therefore, any attempt to repay the debts would be fruitless. For example, Sri Lanka was coerced to lease China the Hambantota Port for 99 years in order to pay back immense debts (Mourdoukoutas). Even though China paid a total of \$1.12 billion dollars to lease the port, Sri Lanka still has not paid off all of its debts to China (Mourdoukoutas). China's reason for debt trapping countries can be for a multitude of reasons. In Sri Lanka's case, the Hambantota Port can be utilized when shipping goods all the way to Europe or India. Since China leases the port, other nations will be powerless to halt any activity within the harbor. In addition, Sri Lanka will be coerced to obediently follow and listen to China's commands or else debts or interest may be risen. Even with this clear example of debt trapping, the worst instances are yet to come. In Europe, Italy has recently signed an investment deal with China that could end in disaster for the European power. If Italy were to fall into the debt trap like Sri Lanka has previously, a Chinese puppet may emerge from the aftermath. The Belt and Road initiative of China has a hidden sinister purpose which is to control more nations under the Chinese regime.

Throughout history, China has constantly been trampled on and constantly been taken advantage of by both neighboring and far away powers. Now, China plans on reversing history

and dominating the world themselves. By suppressing people within and outside of China, the Communist Party's rise will be unopposed as more people will be unable to speak up about China's dangerous rise to superpower status. In addition, causing other nations to rely upon China's goods will coerce cooperation in their rise to domination. Lastly, strategically investing in foreign nations strengthens the reliance of participating nations through debt trapping.

Though the signs are evident that China is already a global power that shakes the world, many nations are blind to the fact that domination is imminent. Unless actions are taken to halt such a rapid rise to superpower status immediately, the world will be powerless to terminate China's dominance on the world scale.

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