

Trump Regime Blacklists More Chinese Firms

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Days earlier at the Economic Club of New York, Pompeo continued his all-out war of words on China.

Ignoring endless US wars by hot and other means against nations on its target list for regime change, he accused China of "aggression...thievery" of US intellectual property, and hollowing out the US middle class (sic).

As usual, no evidence was cited because none exists.

China is considered US public enemy No. 1 because of its rising prominence on the world stage, not for any hostile threat it poses to America or any other nations.

Core Beijing policy is fostering cooperative relations with other countries, polar opposite allout US efforts to dominate them worldwide.

Part of US war on China by other means is blacklisting their enterprises.

The US Commerce Department's Bureau of Industry and Security (SIC) compiles what it calls an Entity List.

It includes "names of...foreign persons – including businesses, research institutions, government and private organizations, individuals, and other types of legal persons — that are subject to specific license requirements for the export, reexport and/or transfer (incountry) of specified items."

So-called BIS license requirements are all about blacklisting designated firms of targeted countries like China.

Last year, at least 148 tech-related Chinese enterprises were blacklisted from the US market — including tech giant Huawei and its 70 affiliates.

Targeted Chinese firms are involved in producing aviation related products, semiconductors, engineering, as well as other high-tech products and components.

Falsely claiming these enterprises act "contrary to the national security or foreign policy interests of the United States" is cover for wanting corporate America to have a leg up on Chinese competition.

Blacklisted firms are prohibited from purchasing US technology without Washington's permission.

On Monday, the Trump regime blacklisted 11 more Chinese companies.

Accusing them of human rights abuses against Xinjiang Uygurs in China's northwest, no corroborating evidence was cited.

The so-called US Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act (December 2019) calls for sanctioning China over alleged mistreatment of these people.

Credible evidence backing claims about China's alleged internment of millions of Uyghurs in Xinjiang is sorely lacking.

They're based on accusations by a so-called Washington-based, US-backed Network of Chinese Human Rights Defenders and dubious establishment media reports.

Beijing rejected claims, saying there's no mass internment, no so-called "re-education camps."

Yet unsubstantiated claims are in the US war budget to punish China over this alleged issue.

The measure also requires the director of national intelligence (DNI) to report regularly on the alleged threat of Chinese hegemony over the global 5G wireless infrastructure buildout, falsely claiming it threatens US national security.

On Monday, the Trump regime again accused China of persecuting Uygurs and exploiting them as forced labor.

Newly blacklisted Chinese firms include textile producers and others accused of "conducting genetic analyses...to further the repression of Uygurs and other Muslim minorities," the South China Morning Post (SCMP) reported.

With no credible evidence backing its claims, the Trump regime blacklisted dozens of Chinese firms it accused of "involve(ment) in China's repression in Xinjiang," said SCMP.

Citing no evidence, US Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross accused Beijing of "actively promot(ing) the reprehensible practice of forced labor and abusive DNA collection and analysis schemes to repress its citizens (sic)."

So far there's been no official Chinese response.

In May, its US embassy slammed additions of Chinese enterprises to the Trump regime entity list, saying:

It "overstretched the concept of national security, abused export control measures, violated the basic norms governing international relations, interfered in China's internal affairs."

By letter to Ross, blacklisted Chinese textile producer Esquel Group's CEO John Chen said his firm "does not use forced labor, and we never will use forced labour. We absolutely and categorically oppose forced labor" — calling for his firm to be removed from the US entity list.

Hostile US action toward China, its officials, and enterprises threaten to push things beyond a point of no return — risking direct confrontation between two thermonuclear powers.

It's an ominous possibility because of US rage to control other nations, their resources and populations by whatever it takes to achieve its objectives — forever wars by hot and other

means its favored strategies.

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