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Re: Chinese government operating illegal police stations in Canada.

Dear Ministers,

It was with great alarm we learned that the Chinese government is operating police stations in Canada to further their espionage activity. For years, Chinese agents have harassed human rights and democracy activists, and persecuted populations of Tibetan and Uyghur heritage on Canadian soil. Increasingly, they have used these tactics on the Chinese diaspora in Canada.

Economic coercion, slandering individuals in the community, and threats of violence to relatives still living in mainland China are just some of the tactics they have used against people in Canada.

As an international human rights organization based in Toronto, it is very troubling to see the continued expansion of the Chinese government's interference in our democratic life and Canada's inability to counter it.

One Free World International is leading a coalition to raise awareness amongst the Canadian public of the increasing threats the Chinese government poses to our way of life and the individual risks Canadians face.

Our coalition members represent thousands of Canadians who are looking for your government to hold the Chinese government to account. To that end, we launched a petition that has three asks of your government:

## 1. Close Stations & Deport Agents:

We the undersigned call on the Canadian government to immediately shut down illegal Chinese overseas police stations and deport their agents back to China.

## 2. Accountability & Protect Human Rights:

We the undersigned call for action from the international community to stop the Chinese Communist Party's intimidation beyond its borders and do more to protect human rights.

## 3. Defend our Sovereignty:

We the undersigned call for a full accounting of how these stations were allowed to open and operate in Canada. We need to know this will not happen again and what lessons can be learned. Canadian authorities need to prosecute individuals responsible for collaborating with these illegal police stations.

Our coalition is comprised of:

- One Free World International
- Federation For A Democratic China
- East Turkistan Association of Canada
- Regional Tibetan Youth Congress, Toronto
- Assembly of Citizen

- Democratic Party of China Canada Committee
- East Turkistanian Federation of Canada
- East Turkistan Government in Exile
- Taiwanese Human Rights Association of Canada

Ministers, Canadians are counting on your government to take real action and provide a vigorous defence of Canadian interests. Your prompt reply to this letter providing transparency and accountability will go a long way in building confidence among Canadians.

Sincerely,

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