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Chinese Authorities, Other Countries Mandate COVID Vaccinations



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Following China's draconian mishandling of its COVID-19 response in early 2020, Communist Chinese authorities are now mandating the coronavirus vaccine.

According to a July 15 article in the *Wall Street Journal*, multiple cities and counties in the provinces of Zhejiang, Fujian, and Jiangxi have mandated that all adults over the age of 18 be fully vaccinated by late August. Starting around late July, most of these areas will also prohibit unvaccinated individuals from entering schools, hospitals, nursing homes, libraries, and other public places.

Although the Chinese central government has not formally mandated COVID vaccinations, several of the local governments stated their own mandates were in response to "national, provincial and municipal arrangements," suggesting Beijing's involvement.

This development is only the latest example of COVID tyranny emanating from Communist China — and being adopted by other countries.

A growing amount of evidence suggests that the COVID virus was created in, and leaked from, a lab at the Wuhan Institute of Virology. As the Chinese government downplayed and covered up the extent of the virus's spread, it locked down roughly 50 million people in multiple cities.

Communist China is not alone in mandating the coronavirus vaccine. Multiple countries worldwide have implemented strict mandates.

For example, as *The New American* has reported, France announced it will require all health workers to take the vaccine. It will also prohibit all unvaccinated individuals from visiting public places. Similar mandates for health workers have been imposed in Australia, Greece, Italy, and the United Kingdom, while Poland will mandate the vaccine for those "at high risk from COVID-19."

Other countries have implemented even broader mandates, with Indonesia and Turkmenistan mandating the vaccine outright, and Kazakhstan, Russia, and Saudi Arabia implementing strict vaccine



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passport systems.

The jury is still out as to whether the United States will return to the Constitution or follow the world's lead toward ever-greater tyranny.

by Peter Rykowski

Navy Unprepared to Fight: Too Focused on Non-essential Tasks



U.S. Government

The U.S. Navy says the service is unprepared for battle because training to fight wars is secondary to bureaucratic and politically correct diversity nonsense, a 23-page report released July 12 says.

Ordered by Senator Tom Cotton (R-Ark.) and Representatives Jim Banks (R-Ind.), Dan Crenshaw (R-Texas), and Mike Gallagher (R-Wis.), the report is the result of more than six dozen interviews, conducted between September 2020 and March 2021, with current and former sailors and officers.

The overwhelming majority said the Navy is in trouble because its leaders are terrified of the media and too preoccupied with checking boxes and keeping superiors happy.

The four Republican legislators, all veterans, commissioned the report because of four major incidents: the catastrophic fire on the USS *Bonhomme Richard* pier-side in San Diego; the collisions of the USS *McCain* in the South China Sea and USS *Fitzgerald* near Japan; and the embarrassing surrender of two small U.S. Navy craft to Iran.

“The results of this project are unambiguous,” the report says: “There was a broad consensus across interviewees on numerous cultural and structural issues that impact the morale and readiness of the Navy’s surface force. These include: an insufficient focus on warfighting skills, the perception of a zero-defect mentality accompanied by a culture of micromanagement, and over-sensitivity and responsiveness to modern media culture.”

As well, 94 percent of the interview subjects believe the four disasters exposed major leadership problems. “This sentiment, that the Navy is dangerously off course, was overwhelming,” the report says.



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Said a retired senior enlisted man, “I guarantee you every unit in the Navy is up to speed on their diversity training. I’m sorry that I can’t say the same of their ship handling training.”

The Navy must “prioritize warfighting,” the report concluded, “get politics and media out of the wardroom,” and stay out of politics itself.

by R. Cort Kirkwood

China Isn’t Just Trying to Dominate the South China Sea; It’s Poisoning It



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China is well known as possibly the world’s worst polluter. It’s responsible, for example, for the presence of 28 percent of ocean-polluting plastics (more than any other four countries combined) despite having roughly 19 percent of the global population and producing just under 17 percent of the world’s plastic.

And with Beijing’s great presence in the South China Sea — which it aims to dominate and where it has built artificial islands — it’s now further gifting its pollution to the wider world. As India’s SCION reported July 13, “Swarms of Chinese vessels have dumped human waste and wastewater for years in a disputed area of the South China Sea, causing algae blooms that have damaged coral reefs and threatened fish in an unfolding catastrophe, a US-based expert said Monday.”

Beijing’s dumping is such an issue that the Philippines, which can be affected by such pollution, has dispatched its military to investigate.

All of this is driven by power-lust, of course. As Reuters noted July 14, “China maintains a constant presence of coastguard and fishing boats in the South China Sea to assert its claim of sovereignty, including hundreds in the Spratly islands, where the Philippines, Brunei, Taiwan, Vietnam and Malaysia also have claims.”

Of course, media-, academia-, and entertainment-borne propaganda would have you believe that the United States is the world’s worst polluter. “The Earth is *doomed* if other countries become like us” is the lament. The truth is precisely the opposite.

America has more forested area now than a century ago and water and air cleaner than they were 60



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years back. This reflects the truth that there are two prerequisites for environmental health: freedom, in the sense of being able to choose (and reject) your leaders; and prosperity.

by [Selwyn Duke](#)

Dems Propose “Green New Deal” for Government Schools



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More than half of New York City schoolchildren can't tackle basic English or math, but a congressman representing part of the city has a solution: a “Green New Deal for Public Schools.”

As TruthOut reported July 15:

Rep. Jamaal Bowman (D-New York) has introduced a bill aimed at combating the climate crisis while reducing inequities within the public school system called the Green New Deal for Public Schools [GNDPS].

The bill would invest \$1.43 trillion over the next decade to upgrade and retrofit every public school building to be more climate-friendly, with a focus on schools with the highest need. It would also invest in expansions of social services at schools and funding for students from low-income families.

“It’s time for a revolution in public education,” said Bowman, a former teacher and middle school principal, in a statement. “The Green New Deal for Public Schools represents the level of school infrastructure investment that is urgent and necessary to heal the harm from decades of disinvestment, redlining and cycles of poverty and trauma, particularly for Black and brown children.”

The Hill adds to the story, writing July 15 that schools “‘are the best epicenter to be leaders in what climate infrastructure should look like, in terms of sustainable energy, in terms of renewable energy, and in terms of energy sharing,’ Bowman told *The Washington Post* Thursday.”

The congressman further stated that the Biden administration is “very receptive and very excited” about the deal.

It’s not surprising that those supporting a GNDPS are often the same people who say “math is racist”;



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or that insisting on good grammar is so; or that, as a 2019 New York City education advisory committee to Mayor Bill de Blasio asserted in 2019, merit is racist.

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