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## Black Lives Matter: Chinese Communist Party Network

Black Lives Matter — the organization, not the slogan — has close ties to the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). While portraying itself as a spontaneous grassroots movement concerned with addressing racial inequality, it is in reality part of the CCP's undeclared but very real war on the United States of America.

BLM was founded in July 2013 by three young activists — Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors, and Opal Tometi. It has been known for some time that they are all Marxists. What has remained hidden until now are their close ties to CCP networks.



Primary image of BLM protest: Fibonacci Blue via Creative Commons, design by Christian Gomez

BLM's main connection to the CCP comes through the San Francisco-based Chinese Progressive Association (CPA). Founded in 1972, CPA was the creation of a Maoist communist group *I Wor Kuen* or "Righteous and Harmonious Fists." Though *I Wor Kuen* merged into the League of Revolutionary Struggle — which became part of Freedom Road Socialist Organization and is now called Liberation, some of those early activists are still leading CPA today. For instance, Pam Tau Lee helped found the CPA as an *I Wor Kuen*/League of Revolutionary Struggle cadre. Today she's a member of Liberation Road front group LeftRoots and serves as chairperson of the CPA board.

According to Pam Tau Lee, the CPA's "roots start back in the 1930s," with Chinese-American radicals who later became the mentors for the CPA's founders. These Chinese radicals, according to her, "were socialists, they were communists."

Alex Tom, a recent former chairman of CPA, described the CPA's primary founding as to "uplift" the Chinese Communist revolution, and he added that it exists today to promote "people's friendship in China." Alex Tom is also a LeftRoots comrade and a longtime friend of BLM founder Alicia Garza. The duo were student activists together at UC San Diego in the late 1990s and have worked closely ever since. Alicia Garza herself has been involved with the CPA since at least 2012 — a year before she founded BLM.

In late 2013, Alex Tom led an "exposure tour" to China with CPA official and LeftRoots comrade Lucia Lin. According to Tom, ties were established with "members of the [Communist] Party, activists underground and also NGOs."

In 2014, Lucia Lin traveled to Ferguson, Missouri, with Alicia Garza to meet with the Organization for Black Struggle (OBS). Headed by Liberation Road communist Jamala Rogers, OBS was the main organizing force in the Ferguson riots of August 2014 and helped to bring in 10,000 out-of-towners to destroy parts of the city.

That same year Alex Tom, Pam Tau Lee, and other CPA/LeftRoots activists established Asians 4 Black Lives, which is now a nationwide support group for BLM. At an April 2015 public meeting in the Bay Area, BLM leader Karissa Lewis described co-panelists Alex Tom and Nadia Khastagir of Asians 4 Black



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Lives as “co-conspirators.”

In 2016, LeftRoots supporters Alex Tom, Lucia Lin, Cathy Dang, Soya Jung, and Timmy Lu produced, along with Alvina Wong of CPA, a 324-page revolutionary manual “Asian American Racial Justice Toolkit” for Asians 4 Black Lives and BLM activists to use.

Alex Tom also worked closely with Alicia Garza and fellow BLM co-founder Patrisse Cullors to link BLM to radical Lao, Cambodian, and Vietnamese-American networks.

CPA also funds Alicia Garza’s far-left black voter mobilization organization Black Futures Lab.

Pam Tau Lee has close ties to Chinese officials in San Francisco. When a Chinese oil company upset Bay Area leftists by drilling on indigenous land in Ecuador, Pam Tau Lee helped smooth things over between activists and Chinese officials.

In a May 2020 webinar with the Qiao Collective, a militantly pro-CCP group of Chinese-Americans, Alex Tom revealed his close ties to CCP officials: “*And we have a relationship with the Chinese embassy.... I’ve had various conversations with them about our positioning.*” Comrade Tom went on to say, “We just gotta keep our eyes on the prize ... *defending China....* To me the main thing is ... we gotta *get rid of Trump.*” (Emphasis added.)

Both Pam Tau Lee and Alex Tom also work closely with former CPA boss Eric Mar. A one-time supporter of both the League of Revolutionary Struggle and the Freedom Road Socialist Organization, Eric Mar is strongly pro-China. He has served on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and is a vocal supporter of Asians 4 Black Lives and BLM.

Eric Mar also works closely with longtime Bay Area activist Russell Lowe in the Comfort Women Justice Coalition. This noble-sounding group is essentially a pro-CCP propaganda formation. The organization highlights the horrific forced prostitution of Chinese women by Japanese troops before and during World War II. This campaign is designed to drive a wedge between the United States and its ally Japan — to the benefit of the CCP.

Similarly, BLM in turn exploits the long-ended crimes of slavery and “Jim Crow” to exacerbate racial divisions in modern America — also to the benefit of the CCP.

Russel Lowe worked for more than 20 years as a staffer for China-enabling U.S. Senator [Dianne Feinstein](#).

In August 2018, Lowe was publicly named by the *San Francisco Chronicle* and other outlets, including *The New American* (see here and [here](#)), as a long-time CCP spy. Phil Matier and Andy Ross of the *San Francisco Chronicle* reported: “A local source who knew about the incident confirmed to us that the FBI showed up at Feinstein’s office in Washington, D.C., about five years ago to alert the then-chairwoman of the Senate Intelligence Committee that her driver was being investigated for possible Chinese spying.”

After the news broke out, Senator Feinstein tried to minimize the revelations by claiming that Lowe was only her driver. In fact, Russell Lowe was the senator’s highest-paid staff member, serving officially as “office director” and as Feinstein’s California liaison to the Asian-American community. Lowe even attended events at the Chinese Consulate on her behalf.

Black Lives Matter is influenced and directed by Asians 4 Black Lives, Liberation Road, LeftRoots, and the Chinese Progressive Association. And all four of these overlapping organizations are loyal to the CCP.



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While the CCP merciless persecutes its own minorities — religious, ethnic, and political — it purportedly “cares deeply” about U.S. race relations.

The CCP-influenced BLM movement has burned cities all over America and has set race relations back decades. It is effectively a CCP fifth column waging war on American soil. And it’s time that Americans, and especially those serving in law enforcement, recognize BLM as such.



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