



# **Trump Threatens to Leave UN WHO After Investigation**

Following a White House investigation of the disgraced United Nations World Health Organization, U.S. President Donald Trump threatened to keep American funding frozen or even withdraw from the global outfit altogether. Blasting the UN agency's lies and its proven track-record of parroting Communist Chinese propaganda amid the coronavirus pandemic, Trump called for urgent and immediate reforms. If the WHO refuses to act, Trump said the U.S. government — by far the largest financier of the scandal-plaqued organization — would withhold taxpayer funds and even reconsider membership. Now, critics of the lawless agency say it is time for Congress to act, too.



Beginning with a statement of facts in <a href="his letter">his letter</a>, Trump noted that he ordered U.S. contributions to the WHO suspended on April 14 pending an investigation by the administration of the UN agency's "failed response to the COVID-19 outbreak." The review, he continued, confirmed many of the serious concerns raised last month. It also identified new concerns that should have been addressed, "especially the World Health Organization's alarming lack of independence from the People's Republic of China," Trump warned. The WHO ignored credible reports of the virus spreading in Wuhan, failed to investigate information that conflicted with Beijing's lies, and then it spread Communist Chinese misinformation while risking countless lives, the president said.

Among the most serious concerns cited by Trump in the letter to WHO boss Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, who is not a medical doctor but helped lead a mass-murdering ethno-Marxist terrorist group, is the fact that the UN outfit has been lying. "The World Health Organization has repeatedly made claims about the coronavirus that were either grossly inaccurate or misleading," Trump said, putting it diplomatically. He gave multiple examples, including the WHO's January 14 claim echoing Beijing that the virus could not be transmitted between human beings. Of course, the WHO knew better.

By no later than December 30, 2019, the World Health Organization office in Beijing knew that there was a 'major public health' concern in Wuhan," Trump said, adding that Taiwan also told the WHO about the human-to-human transmission. "Between December 26 and December 30, China's media highlighted evidence of a new virus emerging from Wuhan, based on patient data sent to multiple Chinese genomics companies. Additionally, during this period, Dr. Zhang Jixian, a doctor from Hubei Provincial Hospital of Integrated Chinese and Western Medicine, told China's health authorities that a new coronavirus was causing a novel disease that was, at the time, afflicting approximately 180 patients."

Under WHO's "International Health Regulations," governments are supposed to report the risk of a health emergency within 24 hours. But Communist Chinese authorities failed to do that until December



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31, days or even weeks after it had learned about the mushrooming crisis. When whistleblowers such as Dr. Zhang Yongzhen with the Shanghai Public Health Clinic Center tried to get the word out, the regime shut down his lab. WHO, meanwhile, remains "conspicuously silent both with respect to the closure of Dr. Zhang's lab and his assertion that he had notified Chinese authorities of his breakthrough six days earlier."

Trump also accused the WHO of bowing to pressure from mass-murdering Communist Chinese dictator Xi Jinping. On January 21, for instance, Xi told Tedros not to declare the coronavirus outbreak an emergency. "You gave in to this pressure the next day and told the world that the coronavirus did not pose a Public Health Emergency of International Concern," Trump told the controversial WHO boss, adding that it was not until the evidence was too overwhelming to hide that Tedros reversed course and admitted that the situation was serious.

The U.S. president slammed Tedros for praising the Chinese regime for "transparency," too. Meanwhile, in the real world, the dictatorship was lying and frantically silencing whistleblowers and doctors who were attempting to warn the world about the unfolding calamity. Finally, Trump slammed Tedros for criticizing his decision to restrict air travel from China, even as the disgraced UN leader was praising the Xi regime for its own domestic restrictions. "Your political gamesmanship on this issue was deadly, as other governments, relying on your comments, delayed imposing life-saving restrictions on travel to and from China," explained the president.

In his conclusion, Trump lays down an ultimatum. "It is clear the repeated missteps by you and your organization in responding to the pandemic have been extremely costly for the world," he said. "The only way forward for the World Health Organization is if it can actually demonstrate independence from China. My Administration has already started discussions with you on how to reform the organization. But action is needed quickly. We do not have time to waste. That is why it is my duty, as President of the United States, to inform you that, if the World Health Organization does not commit to major substantive improvements within the next 30 days, I will make my temporary freeze of United States funding to the World Health Organization permanent and reconsider our membership in the organization."

Echoing his "America First" campaign theme, Trump noted that it was his responsibility to protect U.S. taxpayers and American interests. "I cannot allow American taxpayer dollars to continue to finance an organization that, in its present state, is so clearly not serving America's interests," the president said, being diplomatic but clear. In fact, not only is the WHO not serving U.S. interests, it is actively undermining them by squandering American money while allowing brutal and murderous dictatorships to amplify their power and reach.

Even establishment-minded analysts have come to the conclusion that it is time for the United States to ditch the WHO. In an op-ed published by the far-left *Newsweek*, former Bush administration operative John Yoo warned that the Communist Chinese Party had so thoroughly corrupted the WHO that it was time to leave. In the piece, headlined "The World Health Organization Is not Salvageable," Yoo blasted the agency for pursuing "politics over public health" by helping Beijing spread disinformation. He also pointed to the WHO's refusal to admit Taiwan — also known as the Republic of China, or free China — into the disgraced global body. "American decision-makers should respond by either pushing China out of any serious role at the WHO or constructing a new agency to take its place," Yoo said.

The WHO has a long track record of brazen dishonesty. Last year, for instance, *The New American* reported that the agency was advocating forced vaccines and training medical professionals to lie to



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parents about them in an effort to squash vaccine "hesitancy." Among other whoppers, the WHO instructs doctors to tell parents that vaccines cannot cause harmful side effects or even death, that they cannot cause the infection they are supposed to prevent, and that inoculations provide better immunity to disease than contracting it and building a natural immune response. All of those lies are easily debunked. Yet the WHO still has its dishonest training program online in an effort to deceive humanity.

Perhaps even more alarming is the fact that the WHO is <u>led by a man who served on the Politburo of the ethno-Marxist terrorist group</u> known as the Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF). The murderous organization joined forces with other communist terrorists to take over Ethiopia, then terrorize and murder the opposition. Ethnic groups such as the Amhara were targeted, too, whistleblowers said. Dissidents were hunted down even outside of Ethiopia, with Tedros reportedly helping lead the persecution. More than a few critics have called for him to be prosecuted for crimes against humanity.

Of course, WHO is hardly the only UN agency under Communist Chinese control. As *The New American* has been reporting for years, almost a third of the UN's specialized agencies are now run by actual members of the Communist Party of China. At least one senior former official in the Trump administration, former Assistant U.S. Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs Kevin Moley, argued that this ongoing Chinese takeover of "global governance" represents "the greatest existential threat to our republic since our founding." "This is the fight of our lives," he told the *Epoch Times*. "It is a struggle between Western civilization and the Communist Party of China."

As with the rest of the UN, reforming the WHO will be impossible. It was created by technocrats and tyrants hoping to advance globalism and centralize power — and it is doing exactly what it was designed to do. Rather than focus on futile efforts to "fix" the UN and the WHO, Trump and Congress ought to pass the <u>American Sovereignty Restoration Act</u> into law. It would end U.S. government involvement in the UN and all its agencies while evicting the dictator club's headquarters from U.S. soil. At that point, with the UN being irrelevant, it would not matter whether Beijing controls it. It is time for America to restore her sovereignty and get out of the UN.



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