

U.S. Rep. Gallagher: Selected to serve on new Congressional China Task Force

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI) today was appointed by Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy to serve on a [new Congressional task force](#) on China. The task force is made up of 15 members across 14 House committees and will devise a legislative strategy on China policy, including setting policy priorities and developing a coordinated approach to getting key legislation signed into law. “Today we find ourselves in the midst of a generational struggle that threatens not only our national security, but the freedoms and values we hold as Americans,” said Rep. Gallagher. “The Chinese Communist Party’s response to the Coronavirus is just a taste of the dystopian future they seek: one where they imprison dissenters, use their dominance of critical industries to coerce other countries, all the while commandeering international authorities to normalize their malevolent behavior. The need for a whole of society strategy to counter their totalitarian future is more urgent than ever, and I’m proud to join my colleagues in this effort.” After appointing Rep. Gallagher to the task force, Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy said, “Mike is an obvious choice for the China Task Force. As a former Marine Corps intelligence officer, he has proven himself as a member of the Armed Services Committee and shown an impressive tenacity as a lawmaker, particularly with regards to China. In the past few weeks alone, he has introduced legislation to hold the CCP accountable for trade violations, espionage, and human rights abuses. For as long as I’ve known him, Mike has been an innovative policymaker, close student of history, and proud patriot. I know he will not rest until America is safer and stronger now and in the future.”

The committee will be chaired by the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Michael McCaul (R-TX). In addition to Rep. Gallagher, the following members will serve on the task force:

- Liz Cheney (WY-At-large)
- Darin LaHood (IL-18)
- Guy Reschenthaler (PA-14)
- Elise Stefanik (NY-21)
- Andy Barr (KY-6)
- Adam Kinzinger (IL-16)
- Michael Waltz (FL-6)
- Anthony Gonzalez (OH-16)
- Denver Riggleman (VA-5)
- John Curtis (UT-3)
- John Joyce (PA-13)
- Chris Stewart (UT-2)
- Jim Banks (IN-3)

For more information on the task force, you can watch Leader McCarthy's Press Conference on the topic [HERE](#).
Background:

Rep. Gallagher is a leading voice on China-related issues in the House and has worked extensively on the topic. Some of his previous work on the subject includes:

On Ideological Warfare:

- [The Sources of CCP Conduct](#)
- [The Lost Art of Ideological Warfare](#)
- [Seeking Truth From Facts on China](#)

On Defense Competition:

- [To Deter China, the Naval Services Must Integrate](#)
- [State of \(Deterrence by\) Denial](#)
- [Changing Course: Making the Case \(Old and New\) for American Seapower](#)
- [Countering China's Expanding Global Access](#)
- [Cyberspace Solarium Commission Report](#)

On Supply Chain Issues:

- [China Stole US Capacity to Make Drugs — We Must Take it Back](#)
- [Five Eyes Must Lead on 5G](#)
- [Towards Total Defense Manufacturing Visibility](#)
- [Hedging Our Bets: Reviving Defense Industrial Surge Capacity](#)

On the Indo-Pacific:

- [Why the US is Mistaken to Take a Softer Line with China over North Korea](#)

Legislation Introduced:

- [Protecting Our Pharmaceutical Supply Chain from China Act](#)
- [NETWORKS Act](#)
- [Protecting America From Foreign Investors Compromised by the Chinese Communist Party Act](#)
- [Medical Supply Chain Security Act](#)
- [Hong Kong Be Water Act](#)
- [American Security Drone Act](#)
- [Defending America's 5G Future Act](#)
- [South China Sea and East China Sea Sanctions Act](#)
- [National Defense Strategy Implementation Act](#)
- [People's Liberation Army \(PLA\) Visa Security Act](#)
- [Congressional and Executive Foreign Lobbying Ban Act](#)
- [Telecommunications Denial Order Enforcement Act](#)