

U.S. Rep. Gallagher: Time to push back on CCP aggression in bipartisan fashion

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WASHINGTON, D.C.- Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI) today released the following statement after the House voted in overwhelming bipartisan fashion create the Select Committee on Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party by a vote of 365-65.

Gallagher, who serves on the House Armed Services and House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, was [selected by Speaker McCarthy](#) to serve as the Committee's Chairman.

"It is time to push back against the Chinese Communist Party's aggression in bipartisan fashion, and today's overwhelming bipartisan vote to create the Select Committee on the CCP is an important step in that direction. The next step is to populate the committee with serious members on both sides and get to work with a sense of urgency.

"I thank Speaker McCarthy for the opportunity to lead this committee and for laying out a compelling vision for how we can defend American interests and American sovereignty."

In a floor speech urging his colleagues to support the committee, Gallagher said the Committee will focus on reclaiming U.S. economic independence in key areas and on exposing the Chinese Communist Party's coordinated, whole-of-society strategy to undermine American leadership. He also stressed the importance of ensuring the Committee's work is bipartisan and that the committee draws a distinction between the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese people.

Click [HERE](#) to watch Gallagher's floor speech in full.

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