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Dear Friend and Colleague,

On behalf of myself, Terry Lierman, Dr. Jeremy Wu, Dr. Steven Pei, and the APA Justice team, I would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your support and being a signatory to our alliance's letter which have helped propel forward a Congressional Roundtable on the Ethnic and Racial Profiling of Chinese American Scientists led and conducted by US Representative Jamie Raskin, Chair of the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties and Representative Judy Chu, Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus. You can attend this timely and important roundtable entitled "Researching While Chinese American: Ethnic Profiling, Chinese American Scientists and a New American Brain Drain" on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 3:30 pm ET and livestreamed on YouTube.

We strongly **URGE** you to not only watch this Congressional Proceeding, but also to share this link and information with others (*see announcement on next page*). The witnesses and Members of Congress will shine light on the enormous devastation this unconscionable profiling has inflicted on the reputations, careers, and lives of many patriotic and innocent scientists and the considerable damage to America's ability to advance scientific and medical breakthroughs, especially during this current pandemic. The roundtable will also discuss recommendations to address discriminatory actions and consider measures to ensure transparency and accountability. Again, we are grateful to you for joining this dialogue and the engaged participation of the entire wide-ranging coalition effort that initiated, and will enhance the potential outcomes from this Congressional Roundtable.

Kind regards,

Senator Susan C. Lee Senate Majority Whip Maryland State Senate

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Reps. Raskin and Chu to Hold Democratic Member Roundtable on the Ethnic and Racial Profiling of Chinese American Scientists

Washington D.C. (June 25, 2021) — On **Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. ET,** Representative Jamie Raskin, Chair of the Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, and Representative Judy Chu, Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, will hold a <u>roundtable</u> entitled "Researching while Chinese American: Ethnic Profiling, Chinese American Scientists and a New American Brain Drain."

The Department of Justice (DOJ) has long <u>targeted</u> Chinese Americans in extensive investigations into foreign espionage, leading to multiple false arrests of innocent Chinese American scientists. These efforts ramped up in federal agencies under the Trump Administration's China Initiative, causing numerous scientists to <u>lose</u> their jobs despite not unveiling chargeable criminal conduct.

This <u>roundtable</u> will examine the federal government's alleged racial profiling of Chinese American scientists, and address how the continued harassment harms the broader U.S. scientific community.

WHAT: Roundtable entitled "Researching while Chinese American: Ethnic Profiling, Chinese

American Scientists and a New American Brain Drain."

WHEN: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. ET

WHO: Xiaoxing Xi

Laura H. Carnell Professor of Physics

Temple University*

Sherry Chen

Hydrologist Ohio River Forecast Center

National Weather Service, NOAA*

Steven Chu

Former Secretary of Energy Professor Stanford University*

Randy Katz

Vice Chancellor for Research and United Microelectronics Corporation Distinguished Professor in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science University of California, Berkeley*

A livestream will be available on YouTube at: https://bit.ly/3xTy2u3.

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