



Co-Chairs Senator Chris Coons (D-DE) and Senator Thom Tillis (R-NC)  
invite you to join a discussion:

**Religious Freedom in China:**  
**Assessing the Role of Surveillance Technology in**  
**Abuses Against the Uyghurs and Across China**

**Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 – 5:30 PM

Location: SD-G11 (Dirksen Senate Office Building)

The U.S. Department of State has designated China as a “Country of Particular Concern” since 1999 because of religious freedom violations against religious minorities including Muslims, Tibetan Buddhists, Christians, Falun Gong practitioners, and others. In recent years, hundreds of thousands, and possibly millions, of Uyghurs and other Muslims have been detained and abused in the Xinjiang region. The Senate Human Rights Caucus will host experts to assess the Chinese government’s use of surveillance technology in monitoring religious and ethnic minorities in areas such as Xinjiang and Tibet, and steps the U.S. Government can take to promote religious freedom in China.

**Panelists:**

**Omer Kanat**, Director, Uyghur Human Rights Project

**Tina Mufford**, Deputy Director of Research and Policy, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom

**Sarah Cook**, Senior Research Analyst for East Asia, Freedom House

Moderated by **Francisco Bencosme**, Asia Pacific Advocacy Manager, Amnesty International USA

Featuring remarks by **Senator Coons** and **Senator Tillis**

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