

## **Carr Applauds Intro of ‘Foreign Adversary Communications Transparency’ Act** *Bipartisan ‘FACT’ Act Would Strengthen America’s National Security*

WASHINGTON, DC, February 6, 2023—Last week, Congresswoman Elise Stefanik (R-NY), and Congressman Ro Khanna (D-CA) and Congressman Mike Gallagher (R-WI) [introduced](#) the “Foreign Adversary Communications Transparency Act” or FACT Act. If enacted, this legislation would require the FCC to publish a list of every entity that both holds an FCC license or authorization and has sufficient ties back into authoritarian regimes, including the Chinese Communist Party. Commissioner Carr has [identified](#) a number actions that would strengthen America’s national security in the face of ongoing threats from malign actors like the CCP. Commissioner Carr issued the following statement in support of the legislation:

“I applaud Congresswoman Stefanik’s, Congressman Khanna, and Congressman Gallagher’s strong leadership and thoughtful work to counter the malign influence of the Chinese Communist Party and other authoritarian state actors. This bipartisan legislation would strengthen American’s national security, and I encourage Congress to move quickly in passing this common sense bill.

“It is vital that we provide a full and transparent accounting of every entity with ties back into the CCP—and the governments of other authoritarian regimes—that are operating inside America’s tech and telecom markets, yet there has never been a public disclosure when it comes to those networks of relationships. This only makes it more difficult for the public and private sector alike to assess the likelihood that those connections can be leveraged to harm America’s national security interests. We know that the CCP is engaged in a widespread and coordinated campaign to surveil Americans, and they are willing to use every tool at their disposal to advance their malign goals. Indeed, one of the means by which the CCP does this is by exerting control over and exploiting vulnerabilities within global communications and technology supply chains. Increasing visibility into entities with FCC authorizations that have relationships with authoritarian regimes would bring much needed transparency and help strengthen America’s communications networks against threats from malign actors. So I am gratified to see bipartisan support in Congress for legislation to do just this.”

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