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Dear Senator Harris:

I am concerned about human rights in China. Over the past few years the long simmering human rights abuses in Xinjiang have become much worse with chilling internal documents coming to light this weekend. The situation in Hong Kong is also deteriorating with mass arrests and threats of live fire yesterday. Instead of calling out these abuses we have focused all official comments on trade negotiations. A move to respond to the repression of Uyghurs garnered a letter of support signed by many senators before being quashed in June after the president was duped into believing a trade deal was imminent. This new information eliminates any deniability and demands congressional action. Today's escalation in Hong Kong also demands that the unanimous House response finally get a Senate vote.

Please assure me that congress will insist President Xi respect human rights.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our support for the weak.

Sincerely, Eric Babson