

Background Briefing: Bill Gertz joins the Economic War Room to discuss our intelligence failures with China through 20 years of in-depth investigative reporting. Topics covered include China's real world view, the mistakes we made integrating our economy with China, and the solutions going forward. It is time for all of America to wake up to the reality of what is happening.

Historically, our intelligence analysts have been aligned with the Chinese. Now, that may be changing!

"In the 1990's, I was with the director of the Defense Intelligence Agency. And what he was saying was that China was not a threat. And my response was, "Why do you think that?" And his answer, to paraphrase it, was "Because the Chinese told us." And I was totally shocked. But it became very clear to me within a very few years when a major spy was uncovered inside the Defense Intelligence Agency. His name was Ron Montaperto. He was a Defense Intelligence Agency analyst. And he was eventually convicted of passing classified information to Chinese and military intelligence at the Chinese embassy in Washington."



– Bill Gertz

Best Selling Author, National Security Insider and Investigative Reporter

Our intelligence community, our policy community, and our academic community has all been kind of infiltrated with these pro-China analysts. In some cases they were even infiltrated with Chinese spies.

Your Mission: To understand the China threat and help enforce political change in DC that protects America's national security.

FUN FACT: Former Defense secretary Rumsfeld said that Bill Gertz got information in the Pentagon faster than he did as Defense Secretary. He said it was like “he was drilling holes in the Pentagon and sucking out the information.” Bill was not sure whether he meant that as a compliment, but he sure took it that way.

Ep. 2.60 (OSINT) Open Sourced Intelligence Briefing with highlights. This includes quotes and summaries of conversations in the Economic War Room with Kevin Freeman featuring Bill Gertz. Bill is an investigative reporter that really knows and understands the Pentagon. He is the author of a new book on the China Threat, *Deceiving the Sky*. Bill Gertz is a friend of the military, intelligence agencies, and the Economic War Room. He was among the first to break the story of Kevin Freeman’s research into Economic Warfare waged against the United States.

- 1. It started with **this false premise:** If we engage China, then this will have a moderating influence on the communist dictatorship in Beijing. It will create a non-threatening China partner for our business community.**

The US engagement strategy was an utter failure.

During the Clinton administration in the 1990s, the United States decided that it was going to engage China in, “nuclear cooperation and space cooperation.”

We sent some of our nuclear laboratory scientists from Los Alamos and other places to China. Within a few short years, the CIA concluded:

- » China obtained through espionage, secrets on every single deployed warhead in the U.S. arsenal.
- » As it relates to space cooperation, we transferred missile technology to their space launchers, which helped prevent their missiles from blowing up on the launch pad.
- » We also gave them multiple satellite launchers, which they converted into multiple warhead technology now targeted at U.S. cities.

2. The Intellectual Property Drain:

A White House study estimated that up to \$600 billion year is drained from the US economy and put into the Chinese economy.

*"It's absolutely amazing our government did not see this. I guess the DIA and the CIA never really bothered to read the book *Unrestricted Warfare* published by those two senior colonels."* –Kevin Freeman



3. We are back in the era of a Cold War – but only one nation has been waging it (China)!

We have covered this before in the Economic War Room. *Unrestricted Warfare* goes beyond military. It is economic, cyber, space, and intelligence warfare. It is an across the board assault on the United States.

The Problem: While the Trump Administration is trying to change course, we are stuck in a non-war mentality because of our integrated economies. It has become, "Let's just trade with China, and look the way on other problems."

The Trump administration has been addressing it, but it has not been without obstacles from policy makers, politicians, corporations, and others. The Chinese lobby is alive and well.

4. To better understand where we are today, Bill Gertz just release a new book, *Deceiving the Sky*.

The book title based on Chinese war strategies. One of them is called the Thirty-Six Strategies. It was written probably 200 B.C. in something that's called "the warring states era" in China.

This is a period where China was divided into probably six or seven warring provinces. And the idea behind The Thirty Six Strategies, is basically how does a weaker power defeat a stronger power? And the Chinese have adapted that.



"Deceiving the Sky, is the first of the thirty-six strategies. The actual statement is 'deceived the sky across the ocean.' The story is about a Chinese emperor reluctant to go to war with one of the neighboring provinces. And so one of his generals asked him to go to dinner at the house of a peasant. When the emperor stepped into the house of the peasant, it moved, and he realized he wasn't in this peasant's house. He was in a boat and the boat was sailing to the province that they wanted to attack. So the emperor had to decide, 'well, do I go back, or do we go to war?'"

"The emperor decided to go to war. The point is that you can deceive even the emperor (In Chinese mythology, the emperor is almost like God). So you can even deceive God in order to go to war against your enemy. And that's what they're doing against the United States." -Bill Gertz

The Chinese have no problem using deception to win wars. Deception has been a part of their strategy against us and against other nations.

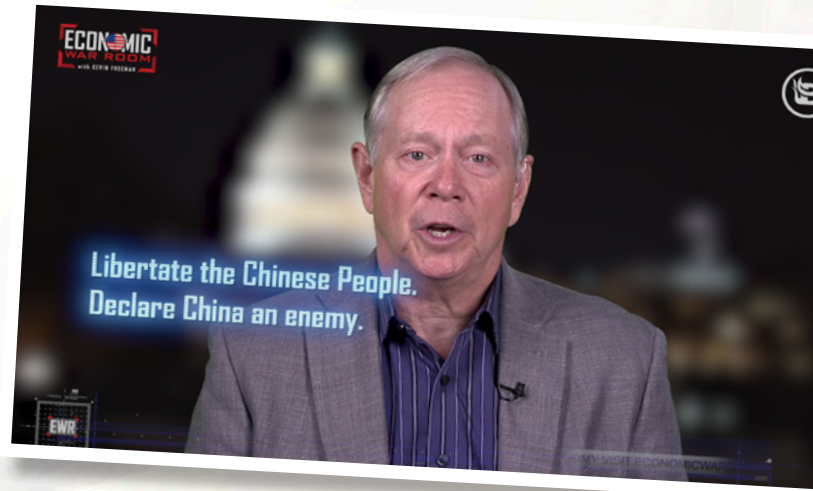
5. Deception can be seen in what China is doing now with the Belt and Road Initiative.

Deception 101: Case study – The Belt and Road Initiative

The Belt and Road Initiative is a “bait and switch,” often built on deception.

“China says yes, we will invest in your country and we will put all of this into your economy. And yet the nation that participates may find that they lose the port that was financed, or they lose the airport because there is no way they can afford to pay for it. It is either that, or they find a lot of technology that’s put in place to spy on their people.”

–Kevin Freeman



The China Dream:

“Their strategy was ‘bide our time, build our capabilities.’ Now, Xi Jinping has come online now said, ‘We’re no longer biding our time and we’re going to continue building.’ They feel they have reached the point where now they can take action. And he set forth something called the China Dream, which is really a communist nightmare of how China will emerge as the world’s leading superpower. The Belt and Road Initiative is this infrastructure project in the developing world. They hope to really end-run the United States by encircling the United States through the developing world with Chinese hegemony. In other words, they want to dominate the periphery of the United States and ultimately they want to dominate the United States.”

China has convinced the world they are not really communist.

"I did a debate in New York City probably 10- or 15-years ago on the threat from China. And one of the debaters on the pro-China side came up to me after he said, I've been doing business in China for 20 years and I've never met a communist. And I was totally shocked. I told them, I said, really, all you need to do is the next time you're in Beijing, go to the People's Liberation Army Museum inside of the city. Today, they have statues of Mao, Stalin, Lenin, Marx, Engels, and all the great communist leaders. So this deception of China is that it's no longer communist has had wide reaching impact in the United States and around the world." -Bill Gertz

6. A closer look at China's leader / President/ Dictator/ Emperor : (You can tell a lot about a person by who they most admire and dislike.)

Who are the three Leaders President Xi **most admires?**

1. **Mao Zedong** - the communist founder who is widely regarded as the world's most notorious mass murderer. He's been blamed for upwards of 60 million deaths of Chinese.
2. **Adolf Hitler** - because he believes Hitler almost took over the entire world.
3. **Joseph Stalin** - Stalin was able to take over the Russian military (obviously with disastrous consequences when it came to World War II).



On the two leaders he dislikes the most:

1. **Deng Xiaoping**- the reform communist for his market economy reforms.
2. **Ronald Reagan** - He did not like that Reagan was responsible for taking down the Soviet Union.



7. The Chinese observed what brought down the Soviet Union, and developed a different strategy to wage war against the US.

1. They watched how the US launched a program to block technology from the Soviet Union.
 - This was a key feature that led to the Soviet Collapse in 1991.
2. Based on the above, China decided it was better to take the strategy of pretending to befriend the US.
 - They deceived our intelligence people.
 - They deceived our policymakers.
 - They deceived our presidents through multiple administrations.

This strategy allowed them to steal the technology that made their "socialism with Chinese characteristics" appear successful.

At least some in our leadership in Washington understand the threat:

“President Trump is now saying, ‘Let’s see if your economy can survive without the theft of American technology.’ What we’re seeing now with the tariff debate and the trade war, I think is a real bellwether to find out whether this Chinese communism will succeed alone for all intents and purposes. The Chinese economy is on the downward spiral. And we see unrest in Hong Kong, which has been the pocketbook for China for many years. We see unrest in other parts of China, Western Xinjiang, where they were imprisoned between 1 and 2 million Muslim Uyghurs. We see further unrest in Tibet, which again was taken over by the Chinese in 1950. So the signs for China are not good and we’ll see what happens in the coming years.” -Bill Gertz



8. The 2020 election, the risk of Chinese interference, and why we need to stand strong against the China threat:

President Trump is the first president to really confront China. With a presidential election in 2020, we have discussed China’s preference for Trump to be defeated.

America could be in a very bad situation if China successfully influences America’s 2020 election with a more pro-China presidential candidate.

- » China, would definitely like a China friendly administration like the other presidencies. Their strategy was working perfectly for them prior to the Trump administration.

- » President Trump has taken the right approach to raise awareness and address the threats.
- » There is a need to stay strong and ensure the 2020 election keeps the China threat on the forefront.

“You know Kevin, I thought about your landmark study about what happened in the early 2000s economic downturn, where your idea that an outside power could affect and create a massive recession in the United States. China certainly could do that.

We see the Democrats already are playing with that narrative, almost wishing for an American economic recession as a way to unseat President Trump. In the 2020 election, I’m very concerned, I think that Congress should set up a special commission to look at whether China could take economic action that would cause our economy to tank again. They also need to look at Chinese election meddling last October. And I have this in Deceiving the Sky.

Vice President Pence gave an important speech at the Hudson Institute where he talked about how China is working to meddle inside the U.S. election system. And he basically said China wants a different president and they’re working to do that. He talked about how they’re influencing the farm states, which may have been affected by some of the tariffs in order to turn public sentiment against the president. So this is a very serious issue, and I hope that Congress and the administration take steps to counter it.” –Bill Gertz

Why you should care?

- » With the Belt and Road Initiative, China wants to dominate the periphery of the United States and ultimately they want to dominate the United States.
- » Your economic liberty and personal freedom are at risk.
- » We are being robbed of billions of dollars every year through technology and intellectual property theft.
- » If China wins economically, they will also win politically.
- » Communist China is communism and not socialism with capitalist characteristics. This is a controlling society intent on world domination.

“Kevin Freeman courageously bucked the establishment in revealing new dangers posed by economic warfare and other non-military forms of attack.” –Bill Gertz



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Important Note: Bill Gertz dedicated his book *the Chinese People*, because he recognizes the threat is not the people of China, but the Chinese communist regime. The communist regime has led to the death of tens of millions of Chinese citizens.

In the Economic War Room, we encourage Americans to be the “small ships that make the difference.” You cannot rely on the government or the president to solve your problems. You have to make a difference. It is up to you to help take our country back and create a voice for economic liberty.

Action Steps:

Listed below are the 14 summary highlights of Bill Gertz recommendations to combat the China threat. Consider sharing this battle plan with your US representatives. These are the topline topics, more detail can be found in his new book, *Deceiving the Sky*:

1. **Information:** Conduct aggressive competition in the realm of ideas. Open Systems Environment should be restructured and reoriented to gather and translate large amounts of Chinese media and improve the collection of internet-derived information. Americans need to see the true statements and clear hostile intentions of communist China.
2. **Reciprocity - Restrict Access by China to the United States in ways equal to Chinese restrictions.** This should have strict reciprocity. Presidential directives could be done in the short term and congressional legislation moving forward. This is especially true as it relates to the information sphere and media.
3. **Intelligence.** The operating methods of America’s intelligence community needs to change and include aggressive operations and more effective analysis.
4. **Need to reform Foreign Policy/Diplomacy.** This would include a focus on human rights in China, Isolation of China from other nations, and building on free market systems.

5. **Alliances.** Create a pro-freedom, pro-prosperity, and pro-rule-of-law network in Asia. This would be similar to NATO. Get the democratic nations of Asia that are concerned about the China threat and create an alliance.
6. **Cultural/Educational.** Severely restrict activities by the Chinese nationals in the United States who are abusing the American system. Access should be closed off to education on a reciprocal basis, unless equal numbers of Americans are granted access to the same types of institutions. Chinese Confucius Institutes should be closed as they are used by the Chinese government as influence operations against the US.
7. **Counter Intelligence.** Major strategic operations should be targeting Chinese intelligence and security services.
8. **Economic.** The United States should begin a gradual policy of disengagement from Communist China economically.
9. **Financial.** Plan and carry out covert financial warfare operations against China. These would be policies similar to what was used by the Reagan administration to weaken and defeat the Soviet Union.
10. **Military Exchanges should be halted.** The Pentagon and US military must adopt a new policy that recognizes the Communist Party of China and People's Liberation Army as the main enemy. China should not be identified merely as a strategic competitor.
11. **Military Missile Defense.** Expand American regional military defenses. The US should offer THAAD high-altitude defense systems for sale to friendly nations surrounding China to negate the massive and growing Chinese missile threat.
12. **Military Gray-Zone Warfare.** Develop asymmetric warfare capabilities designed to negate Chinese military, cyber, electronic, and psychological warfare.

13. **Political. Create a Chinese parliament in exile.** As the Chinese dictatorship begins to unravel it will be important to build political parties that represent the people. Have them meet at least once a year, make policy, recommendations for a free and open China, free media elections, democratic institutions, free rule of law. Publish these and send them into China.
14. **Russia. Play the Russia Card.** The US should have a goal of creating a pro- American government in Moscow. Russia could help mitigate the China threat. This include covert action to expose high-level corruption among Russian leaders and help elect pro-US and pro-democratic leaders in Russia.

Other Action Steps:

1. Get Bill Gertz's book [Deceiving the Sky](#).
2. Share this Economic Battle Plan™ with friends to reinforce the importance of standing strong against Chinese plans to dominate politically and economically
3. Think about ways you can impact others in a positive way with your money. Be intentional about how do you go on offense with the weaponization of your investments, spending and giving toward your values.
4. **Look for ways you can mobilize or weaponize your money toward things that strengthen America.** Nominate your financial advisor for our advisor training classes at EconomicWarRoom.com/advisor.
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 - › These are strategies that you can undertake to protect your family. And there are things we can do as a nation to preserve the American dream, even if there's a financial crisis. The key is to be prepared and keep your eyes open to opportunity along the way.



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