2021/03/01 Meeting Summary

Summary of the March 1 APA Justice meeting is now posted at https://bit.ly/3kxkqxP.

The meeting covered

- An update by CAPAC Executive Director Krystal Ka'ai on follow-up to NIH and FBI inquiries and CAPAC's call for witnesses and data for the requested House hearing on racial profiling
- A debriefing and observations by Faiza Patel of Brennan Center for Justice on the February 24 webinar - Building Coalition Against "China Initiative" Discrimination
- The miserable background and experience of University of Tennessee Professor Anming Hu, one of the "China Initiative" cases, as told by his wife Ivy Yang
- A report by attorney Peter Toren on the 9-year ordeal of Sherry Chen, hydrologist of the National Weather Service, and his recap and recommendations for the "China Initiative"
- An update by Vivin Qiang of Advancing Justice | AAJC on Anti-Racial Profiling, including a webinar on Federal Grant Applications in the Era of the "China Initiative:" How to Avoid Trouble
- An update by Maryland State Senator Susan Lee on the developments of the requested congressional hearing on racial profiling

We thank all the speakers and Harvard Professor Zhigang Suo for starting an APA Justice Twitter account at @apa_justice https://twitter.com/apa_justice. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2021.

Colorado State University Webinar

On March 8, 2021, the Colorado State University, co-hosted by its Office of International Programs, College of Natural Sciences, and Department of Physics, held a webinar featuring Professor Xiaoxing Xi of Temple University. Professor Xi's presentation is an up-to-date primer on racial profiling under the "China Initiative." Building on his traumatic experience as an impacted person, Professor Xi methodicially dispels the false narratives produced by the government, describes how they damage American leadership in science and technology, and recommends sensible and available solutions on policy and practices to rectify the situation. Professor Marty Gelfand moderated the webinar; Professor Carl Patton organized and introduced the speaker. APA Justice provided technical support to the event. A video for the webinar is posted here: https://youtu.be/PboYuWEsD3M (1:03:44)

What You Can Do Today

These are the actions you can take today to help the cause:

- Tell President Biden to stop the racial profiling of Asian Americans and Asian immigrants and end the Justice Department's "China Initiative": http://bit.ly/EndChinaInitiative
- Inform your Members of Congress and ask them to take action against the racial profiling of Asian Americans and Asian Immigrants and call for an end to the Justice Department's "China Initiative": http://bit.ly/EndChinaInitiative-Letter
- Join over 1,100 others and sign the "We are all Gang Chen" petition to US legislatures: https://bit.ly/36A4kiw
- If you believe you are being targeted as a scientist, scholar, or student based on your ethnicity, contact 202-935-6014 using the Signal app and seek legal referral and assistance
- Come forward and tell Congress your compelling story of being targeted and profiled as a scientist, scholar, or student based on your ethnicity
- Make a tax-deductable donation to the Anti-Racial Profiling Project at Asian American Advancing Justice | AAJC: https://bit.ly/3ilQVbe
- Spread the word to your families, friends, neighbors, and colleagues

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