How China Bought the Biden Family

Even if Biden wakes up to CCP’s threat to America, he’s in too deep to escape

BY STEVEN W. MOSHER

In the classic movie *The Manchurian Candidate*, an American prisoner of war is brainwashed by the Chinese Communist Party into becoming an unwitting assassin of an anti-communist presidential candidate.

While the CCP is a master at brainwashing, and is certainly not averse to assassinations, it has long followed a simpler script where American politicians are concerned.

The preferred ploy is for Party operatives to offer a politico’s immediate family members sweetheart business deals. The expectation is that the *paterfamilias* will then toe Beijing’s line — or else.

Both 2020 presidential candidates have been offered such barely disguised bribes. One candidate’s son-in-law was offered a half-billion-dollar “investment” into his family’s real estate firm. Jared Kushner — recognizing a bribe for what it was — sent the CCP operative packing. The other candidate’s son accepted a $1.5 billion “investment.” Then Hunter Biden went back to China at least five times for more.

Nobody pays useless money to a drug addict. The intended recipient of this largesse was obviously “Pop” Joe Biden.

Now “Pop” says that he knows nothing — zip, zilch, nada — about his son’s business dealings in China and elsewhere. Son Hunter, on the other hand, complains in an email extracted from his defunct laptop that he has to give half of his earnings to “Pop.”

Dead computers don’t lie.

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By the time you read this, the U.S. presidential election will have been resolved in favor of President Donald Trump, who will serve a second term, or Vice President Joe Biden, who will serve his first.

Of course, if the recounts and lawsuits take as long or longer than they did in 2000, when the Supreme Court did not decide Bush v. Gore until 37 days after the election, the matter may still be in limbo.

What is clear is that, depending upon the outcome, our nation will take one of two starkly different paths. Since most of my work has been on pro-life issues, and the bulk of this in the international arena, let me lay out what these two paths mean to me, a lay Catholic pro-life leader who has been fighting for life for over three decades.

Simply put, if Joe Biden becomes the 46th President of the United States, all of our work is in the crosshairs. The most pro-abortion administration in American history will take office on January 20, 2021.

Joe Biden has pledged to his Progressive supporters that he will immediately sign Executive Orders that will:

- Force Americans to fund Planned Parenthood.
- Eliminate the Mexico City Policy, allowing taxpayer money to pay for abortions in other countries.
- Refund the World Health Organization, another UN agency that relentlessly pushes abortion, sterilization and contraception overseas, not to mention helped China cover up its COVID-19 crimes.

Other actions harmful to life will happen as well, albeit largely out of sight of the American public. A Biden administration will:

- Demand that poor countries accept the radical anti-life anti-family agenda.
- Insist that poor countries legalize abortion as a condition of receiving foreign aid.
- Appoint fanatically pro-abortion negotiators to the UN, where they will push for abortion to be recognized as an international “human right.”

You may wonder if I am not painting too grim a picture of what a Biden administration portends? I wish I were, but I have been in the pro-life trenches too long to be sanguine in such matters.

The actions I outlined above were all taken by two previous Democrat administrations—Bill Clinton’s from 1993-2001 and Barack Obama’s from 2009-2017—and there is every reason to think that a third will as well.

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The Democrat party long ago rejected the position popularized by Bill Clinton, namely, that abortion should be “safe, legal and rare.” It now enthusiastically endorses a radical abortion activism that at times has even portrayed baby killing as a positive act.

Major figures in the Democrat party advocate abortion on demand up to—and in some cases beyond—childbirth.

As a convert to the Catholic faith, it is troubling for me that the next Catholic to sit in the Oval Office—only our second in over two hundred years—may be the most radically anti-life president we have ever had.

There is another possibility. If Donald Trump is re-elected, the pro-life policies I have outlined above will not only stay in place, they will be expanded. I was an early supporter of the President, largely because of the pro-life promises he made to me, and I have not been disappointed.

You may not have heard that, even during the press of last month’s campaign, the President found time to sign a new executive order encouraging adoption over abortion. And there is a new rule, now in its final stages, that will further expand the Mexico City Policy, helping to keep U.S. funds out of the hands of those who would use it to perform or promote abortion.

The bishops tell us that the protection of innocent unborn life is the paramount issue, and on this the position of the two candidates could not be further apart. If there ever was, in the political arena, a Manichean divide between light and darkness, between good and evil, it is now before us.

The election will have only one of two outcomes. Either the light of Trump’s pro-life polices will stay on, or we will be plunged into the darkness of an administration that seeks to promote, in every way imaginable, the greatest evil of our time.

Whatever happens, of course, faithful Catholics will not be cursing that darkness. Instead they will be lighting candles—first before the altars of their churches, and then through the good work they will do in assisting, for example, crisis pregnancy centers at home and pro-life projects abroad. And I know that you will be helping PRI as we battle on, fighting for Life.

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Happy New Year!

And thank you for making it possible for PRI to say this!

It’s all because of you, and hundreds of others who were so generous in your Christmas gifts to PRI, who have helped us to get 2021 off to a happier start.

I can’t say it enough: you make everything that we do possible. From sending ultrasound machines to pregnancy centers in need in the poorest of places around the world, to investigating and exposing the numerous human right violations that result from coercive population control practices worldwide.

You are the means for every saved baby, every healthier mother.

So as we enter into this new calendar year 2021, please remember how thankful we are, and how glad we are that you have joined in this life-saving work!

Thank you from all of us!

Steven, Chris, Joel, Karen, Jonathan, Allen, Ellen, Kate, Olivia, Cari, Therese and Sophie

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Reflections from Venerable Fulton J. Sheen – Reflections you’ll turn to for a lifetime!

Like me, I imagine you are a great admirer of Venerable Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. He set the standard for powerfully preaching the Faith through his radio and television broadcasts, reaching millions of people weekly for twenty years.

As you probably know, *Life of Christ* is Bishop Sheen’s ultimate book of reflections. But at 690 pages, many (perhaps most) faithful Catholics simply don’t have the time to give *Life of Christ* the slow, careful reading it deserves (I am among them!).

So if Bishop Sheen’s 690-page *Life of Christ* is escaping you for lack of time, I highly recommend that you not miss his shorter, condensed book of reflections, *Brief Life of Christ*. PRI would like to send you a copy!

Please let me give you some examples of all that Bishop Sheen reflects on in *Brief Life of Christ*...

- The four facts that separate Christ from Mohammed, Buddha, Confucius and others who claimed to come from God...why Jesus spent so many years on earth preparing for a ministry that lasted only three years...the three categories into which man’s temptations always fall...

- An in-depth look at the meaning of the Beatitudes (much is often overlooked in readings of the Beatitudes and Bishop Sheen’s book brings everything about the Beatitudes into clear focus) ...plus my own favorite insight from Bishop Sheen’s *Brief Life of Christ*: “Divinity is always where we least expect to find it.”

And there is more...

- Bishop Sheen asks this question—and it certainly applies to situations we find ourselves in today: “How many times do you read in the press the words: ‘Christ says’? Not often. But when do you not read: ‘Science says’? Bishop Sheen’s *Brief Life of Christ* is a little gold mine of insights, wisdom and reflections that you’ll read and re-read. In fact, it is a lifetime of reflections! So if his classic 690-page *Life of Christ* is beyond what your time allows, then you should NOT miss his condensed *Brief Life of Christ*.

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There’s one fact that jumps out from Biden’s record as vice president: wherever Obama puts him in charge of foreign policy as “point man,” whether it be Iraq, Russia, Ukraine, or China, America loses, and the Biden family wins.

Rudy Giuliani, the former mayor of New York City, doesn’t mince words about what he calls the Biden Crime Family. “What Hunter Biden is, is a bagman,” says Giuliani. “I’ve prosecuted many cases like this. He’s collecting Joe’s bribes that come to about $12 million from the Ukraine and $3.5 million from Russia. But the really big money comes from China. And the amount of money involved is literally in the tens of millions of dollars.”

One leaked investigative report summarizes Hunter’s many business deals in China. To take just one example, his private equity deal called BHR, originally worth $1.5 billion, is now worth an estimated $6.5 billion. BHR is probably generating about $130 million a year in fees, of which 10 percent, or $13 million, would go to Hunter. According to Hunter’s email, half of this — or $6.5 million — would have to be turned over to “Pop.”

But the real big money will come when the Bidens sell their 10 percent stake in BHR, which at current valuations would be worth some $650 million. In actual fact, however, it will be worth whatever the CCP decides to pay the Bidens for it.

Giuliani sums up by saying, “[Joe Biden]’s asking to be president of the U.S. and he’s in partnership with the Chinese Communist Party. The Biden family is owned by the Chinese Communist Party.”

What did the Chinese Communist Party receive in return for its investment in the then—vice president? First of all, they bought the services of a first-rate propagandist. Vice President Biden eagerly spread the myth not only that China’s rise was inevitable, but that the United States should welcome it.

At the same time, Biden took a dive on the human rights front, soft-pedaling the CCP’s many abuses. When he did speak out in public, it was often to apologize for the CCP’s misbehavior, as when he said on a visit to China that he “understood” the need for the brutal one-child policy.

Another payback to the CCP came in May 2013, when the then-V.P. helped engineer a “memorandum of understanding” with the PRC that exempted Chinese corporations from U.S. securities statutes and regulations.

This meant that the Party could raise trillions from our debt and equity markets on preferential terms. To put it bluntly, it allowed CCP corporations to cheat unsuspecting U.S. investors out of their money by cooking their books.

Since leaving office, even as the danger that China poses to the United States and the world has become ever more apparent, the former vice president has continued his apology tour on behalf of the PRC. Right now, as China steals our jobs and our technology and sickens the world with the coronavirus, Joe Biden still won’t stand up to it.

Instead, he seems bent upon surrendering to China. He intends to lift President Trump’s tariffs on China without getting anything in return. He will tax American companies at a higher rate than Communist China does, which will lead to millions of American jobs shipped to Beijing.

He has even promised to restore funding to the World Health Organization — the same WHO that collaborated with the CCP in covering up the spread of the coronavirus.

Even if Joe Biden comes to understand the mortal threat that the CCP poses to America, he’s in too deep to extricate himself and his family. The CCP could easily leak the details of the deals it has struck with the Biden Crime Family if he tries to get tough on China.

Make no mistake: If Biden wins, China wins, and America loses.
Vatican Statement on the Morality of Using Some Anti-Covid Vaccines

Note to Our Readers: As a matter of personal moral choice, I will not be taking the vaccine. I do not want to be even remotely complicit in the act of abortion. Of course, my situation is different from most since I contracted the China Virus some months ago and am presumably at very low risk for any further infections. I am also aware—as we should all be by now—that there are a number of inexpensive and effective therapies such as Hydroxychloroquine and Ivermectin that are available to treat the disease. To help you as you make your own choice concerning vaccination, I wanted to share with you this statement by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith on the question.

— Steven W. Mosher, PRI President

The question of the use of vaccines, in general, is often at the center of controversy in the forum of public opinion. In recent months, this Congregation has received several requests for guidance regarding the use of vaccines against the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes Covid-19, which, in the course of research and production, employed cell lines drawn from tissue obtained from two abortions that occurred in the last century. At the same time, diverse and sometimes conflicting pronouncements in the mass media by bishops, Catholic associations, and experts have raised questions about the morality of the use of these vaccines.

There is already an important pronouncement of the Pontifical Academy for Life on this issue, entitled “Moral reflections on vaccines prepared from cells derived from aborted human fetuses” (5 June 2005). Further, this Congregation expressed itself on the matter with the Instruction Dignitas Personae (September 8, 2008, cf. nn. 34 and 35). In 2017, the Pontifical Academy for Life returned to the topic with a Note. These documents already offer some general directive criteria.

Since the first vaccines against Covid-19 are already available for distribution and administration in various countries, this Congregation desires to offer some indications for clarification of this matter. We do not intend to judge the safety and efficacy of these vaccines, although ethically relevant and necessary, as this evaluation is the responsibility of biomedical researchers and drug agencies. Here, our objective is only to consider the moral aspects of the use of the vaccines against Covid-19 that have been developed from cell lines derived from tissues obtained from two fetuses that were not spontaneously aborted.

1. As the Instruction Dignitas Personae states, in cases where cells from aborted fetuses are employed to create cell lines for use in scientific research, “there exist differing degrees of responsibility”1 of cooperation in evil. For example, “in organizations where cell lines of illicit origin are being utilized, the responsibility of those who make the decision to use them is not the same as that of those who have no voice in such a decision”2.

2. In this sense, when ethically irreproachable Covid-19 vaccines are not available (e.g. in countries where vaccines without ethical problems are not made available to physicians and patients, or where their distribution is more difficult due to special storage and transport conditions, or when various types of vaccines are distributed in the same country but health authorities do not allow citizens to choose the vaccine with which to be inoculated) it is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process.

3. The fundamental reason for considering the use of these vaccines morally licit is that the kind of cooperation in evil (passive material cooperation) in the procured abortion from which these cell lines originate is, on the part of those making use of the resulting vaccines, remote. The moral duty to avoid such passive material cooperation is not obligatory if there is a grave danger, such as the otherwise uncontrollable spread of a serious pathological agent3—in this case, the pandemic spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes Covid-19. It must therefore be considered that, in such a case,
all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive. It should be emphasized, however, that the morally licit use of these types of vaccines, in the particular conditions that make it so, does not in itself constitute a legitimation, even indirect, of the practice of abortion, and necessarily assumes the opposition to this practice by those who make use of these vaccines.

4. In fact, the licit use of such vaccines does not and should not in any way imply that there is a moral endorsement of the use of cell lines proceeding from aborted fetuses. Both pharmaceutical companies and governmental health agencies are therefore encouraged to produce, approve, distribute and offer ethically acceptable vaccines that do not create problems of conscience for either health care providers or the people to be vaccinated.

5. At the same time, practical reason makes evident that vaccination is not, as a rule, a moral obligation and that, therefore, it must be voluntary. In any case, from the ethical point of view, the morality of vaccination depends not only on the duty to protect one’s own health, but also on the duty to pursue the common good. In the absence of other means to stop or even prevent the epidemic, the common good may recommend vaccination, especially to protect the weakest and most exposed. Those who, however, for reasons of conscience, refuse vaccines produced with cell lines from aborted fetuses, must do their utmost to avoid, by other prophylactic means and appropriate behavior, becoming vehicles for the transmission of the infectious agent. In particular, they must avoid any risk to the health of those who cannot be vaccinated for medical or other reasons, and who are the most vulnerable.

6. Finally, there is also a moral imperative for the pharmaceutical industry, governments and international organizations to ensure that vaccines, which are effective and safe from a medical point of view, as well as ethically acceptable, are also accessible to the poorest countries in a manner that is not costly for them. The lack of access to vaccines, otherwise, would become another sign of discrimination and injustice that condemns poor countries to continue living in health, economic and social poverty.

The Sovereign Pontiff Francis, at the Audience granted to the undersigned Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, on 17 December 2020, examined the present Note and ordered its publication.

Rome, from the Offices of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, on 21 December 2020, Liturgical Memorial of Saint Peter Canisius.

Luis F. Card. Ladaria, S.I., Prefect
S.E. Mons. Giacomo Morandi, Titular Archbishop of Cerveteri, Secretary

1 Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Instruction Dignitas Personae (8th December 2008), n. 35; AAS (100), 884.
2 Ibid, 885.
4 Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Instruct. Dignitas Personae, n. 35: “When the illicit action is endorsed by the laws which regulate healthcare and scientific research, it is necessary to distance oneself from the evil aspects of that system in order not to give the impression of a certain toleration or tacit acceptance of actions which are gravely unjust. Any appearance of acceptance would in fact contribute to the growing indifference to, if not the approval of, such actions in certain medical and political circles”.
5 Cfr. Francis, Address to the members of the “Banco Farmaceutico” foundation, 19 September 2020.
“Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme!” “Sleepers, awake! The voice of the watchman calls us!” For good reason it’s hailed as one of Johann Sebastian Bach’s most beloved cantatas.

In every generation, Jesus calls on the wise virgins to stay awake, and still their foolish companions snooze the night away.

Not Satan. He never sleeps, and he doesn’t take Sundays off. “Never let a crisis go to waste,” said Clinton advisor Rahm Emmanuel. And day in, day out, Satan churns the spirits of crisis, chaos, and conflict. He sows fear, doubt, and distrust as his allies move the pieces on the chessboard, closing in on the faithful and putting the final touches on the straitjackets they plan to use in their final attack on our religious freedom.

They’re moving at the speed of light, not even hiding it anymore. Here at home, millions are still barred from Mass and the Sacraments. Schools are shuttered and students shoved onto a flat, lifeless screen. Businesses have closed, and our neighborhoods have been converted into no-go zones. Arbitrary politicians turn neighbor against neighbor, demanding we report violations of their capricious lockdown diktats.

All about Control

Be sure to download your free copy of PRI’s latest book, Pandemonium, on pop.org today. Here you’ll see the breathtaking alacrity with which governments, international organizations, Big Tech and Big Media have moved to seize control of the pandemic for their own ends.

The lust for power fairly oozes among the Population Controllers. They love to boss people around—especially those whom the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg regarded as “populations that we don’t want to have too many of.”

We must bear in mind that, when the United States launched its family planning programs in the 1960s, the agenda had widespread, bipartisan support. Before long, our foreign aid programs required “family planning” to be included in every grant. If the Third World’s poor wanted clean water or basic medicines, they had to have contraceptives and abortifacients too, our controllers dictated—and their word was, literally, law.

All power planning requires that style of coercion. And today’s advocates are hyping the “horrors” of the pandemic in order to tighten their grip in other ways on daily life, both in the United States and around the world. Their proposals travel under several banners—“the Great Reset,” “Globalism,” “Post-Pandemic Society”—but they all focus on eliminating America’s leadership in the world, erasing our country’s unique character and replacing it with a twodry “universalism.”

We must resist, and we are not alone. In The Day Is Now Far Spent, Robert Cardinal Sarah states the problem clearly. “Globalization is contrary to the divine plan,” he writes. “It tends to make humanity uniform. Globalization means cutting man off from his roots, from his religion, from his culture, history, customs and ancestors. He becomes stateless, without a country, without a land.” We become a “planetary herd…. Globalized humanity, without borders, is a hell.”

Rejoice!

Bach’s rendition of Wachet auf expands on a hymn written in 1598 by Philippus Nicolai, when his German home of Unna had been beset by the plague for almost a year. Sound familiar? And always mindful of God’s will, Dr. Nicolai hoped that the hymn would “comfort other sufferers whom He should also visit with the pestilence.”

Let us find comfort in God’s promise. Today’s pestilence threatens the spirit as well as the body. There was no public liturgy in the Vatican for Holy Week and Easter this year, and there will be none for Advent and Christmas. But we should celebrate nonetheless!

Every year, the Christmas Season lasts for a full forty days, ending with the Feast of the Presentation on February 2. With the gift of Bach’s beautiful Cantata, we can join in song and in spirit, "Des sind wir froh, io, io, ewig in dulci jubilo."

“And so we rejoice, io, io, in sweet and eternal jubilation.” A blessed Christmastide to all.

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Wake Up: Population Controllers Are Planning on a Banner Year

by Dr. Christopher Manion, Director of the Humanae Vitae Project
PRI’s Second E-Book On Global Pandemic Focuses on Solutions

When we at Population Research Institute launched our book *Pandemonium* a few months ago, we did so with the intention of giving intellectuals and academics a way to publish their opinions about the coronavirus pandemic that were not being covered by the media. Progressive and leftist messaging on the virus had become pervasive, domineering, and nearly monopolistic. It was time to provide some space for young conservative thinkers.

The success of the book was immediate and overwhelming. *(For more information about Pandemonium, see page 10).* Many people wanted to read our opinions and have access to “the other point of view.” We opened up a debate for overcoming the “cancel culture” that is taking place in the world very aggressively.

And it is we the conservatives, the “politically incorrect” thinkers, who are not aligned with the progressive agenda, who promote true humanistic values, and who suffer the most from the kind of assaults that even Pope Francis condemns. We are insulted and targeted on the internet. The haters launch threatening words at us in a way that does not seek intellectual dialogue but rather seeks the imposition of the leftist agenda. We already know that nothing is the same as it used to be. But we do not know exactly where it will end. The shift has already taken place, but we still do not see clearly where we are really going. It is a time of uncertainty.

We wanted to call our second book *Pandemonium II: The Remedy.* We have made it with the idea that there actually exist two pandemics: the first—a biological one initiated by a virus that China sent us from Wuhan, is an excuse for the second—the pandemic of the false narrative. We are in a new “Cold War,” this time between China and the current administration of the United States.

While the world is waiting for a vaccine, the leftist governments and the vanguards of progressive ideology try to promote their own “remedy” as if it were the only one possible. They speak of legalizing abortion and euthanasia, increasing taxes, nationalizing companies, manipulating the judiciary, imposing more gender ideology in the schools, the expansion of the state, and the rewriting of history among other things. But this “remedy” is no cure. The prescription offered by “mainstream” progressives will lead to a greater “sickness” and one of longer duration—that is, the sickness of...
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This just-released book reveals how China inflicted COVID-19 on the world and now does nothing to end the suffering. It gives you an up-close look at the long-term consequences.

The book is Pandemonium: The Pandemic Road to Serfdom. In it, you will learn . . .

- How China and WHO are exploiting the crisis . . . how the Left is using it to expand global control . . . how some governments are using the virus panic to implement more population control, including euthanasia . . .
- The role of George Soros companies that stand to profit . . . ten practical recommendations for dealing with the virus . . . plus the virus consequence the Left probably didn’t count on — and it is a positive consequence!

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Pandemonium II, continued

socialism which has used the Wuhan virus as a perfect excuse for advancing its agenda.

Once again, as in our previous book, Pandemonium II includes 16 authors from different countries and from different professions. The first articles demonstrate some of the “treatments” for the pandemic that are failing, that are cheating humanity with the agenda of the leftist globalists. The articles that follow propose instead concrete strategies for civil society, education and the family—three types of treatments that will truly be able to confront the pandemonium surrounding the pandemic and will help our world recuperate.

The second part of the book focuses on a pre-electoral overview of the election in the United States, putting it in an international context. Finally, in the last section of the book, studying the function of the Supreme Court in the United States, we analyze the difference between basing human rights on positivist, humanist whim (always manipulatable by those who are temporarily in power) and basing them on natural law. The latter is what we propose.

In summary, the remedy that we propose in Pandemonium II is to seek a spiritual Renaissance, a fortifying of family values, a renewal of Christian and humanistic brotherhood, emphasizing the necessity of protecting private enterprise in the economy without neglecting the rights of those that have the least, seeking to combine both.

This remedy would help us revive the concept of a strong nation with an openness to the world instead of globalism or ideological nationalism. It would strengthen societal bonds of friendship as a way of respecting and promoting everyone without leaving anyone behind.

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Court OKs Arkansas Law: Christmas Gift to Unborn

A decision by the 8th Circuit in late December means that four pro-life laws will soon go into effect. The laws ban dismemberment and sex-selection abortions, as well as require notification of a patient’s partner or family and, if the girl is 16 or younger, notification of law enforcement.

PRI believes that this ruling signals that the 8th Circuit will smile upon other pro-life laws before it, thanks to a number of new Trump judges who now sit on the court.
COVID-19 Vaccines and The Abortion Connection

WORLD—PRI Research Analyst Jonathan Abbamonte was quoted in a World article on the ethical questions around vaccines and the abortion industry.¹

The article was focused on the recent release of COVID-19 vaccines, noting that the encouraging news comes with “discouraging ethical questions.”

None of the COVID-19 vaccines in development use the bodies of recently aborted babies, but rather fetal cell lines that originated from abortions. The manufacturers of those cell lines send samples to labs, which can continue growing them for research purposes. Since they have been multiplied and grown many times, the cells are distinct from the baby’s original cells.

“We’re not performing an abortion on an unborn child every time we’re creating a vaccine,” clarified Abbamonte. However, he said the use of the cell lines from aborted babies encourages the pharmaceutical industry to continue that form of research.

Researchers developed one often-used cell line known as HEK293 in the 1970s from the kidney cells of a female baby aborted in the Netherlands, according to the article.

Pfizer and Moderna explored a new technology that did not require cells for design or production. They did, however, use the HEK293 cell line during lab tests.

Will America and China Go to War Over Taiwan?

CBN NEWS—PRI President Steve Mosher was quoted in a recent report on a video released by the Chinese military showing a practice of an amphibious assault against the island of Taiwan.²

Incursions by Chinese fighter planes into Taiwan airspace have been happening almost daily since the summer, the report said. Communist China views Democratic Taiwan as a renegade province that must be reunified with the mainland, and some experts believe the two countries are closer than ever to war.

China expert Dean Cheng at the Heritage Foundation says that despite all the saber-rattling, a planned invasion of Taiwan would be too risky. China still doesn’t have the landing craft to ferry enough troops across the Taiwan strait. It would have to use commercial shipping.

“Any kind of invasion of Taiwan means crossing a hundred miles of some of the worst water in the world by a military that hasn’t fought a war since 1979 and runs the very real risk of American intervention,” Cheng said.

The author of Bully of Asia, China expert Steven Mosher, agrees, saying the last thing Beijing wants is a shooting war with the United States.

“What it wants to do is it wants to use this gray area between war and peace to continue its cyberattacks, to continue its espionage in other countries,” Mosher said, “But it certainly would use force in the future if it thought it had achieved a position of dominance.”

Mosher: Motherhood Helped Barrett Sail Through

EPOCH TIMES—PRI President Steven Mosher published a column in the Epoch Times on the failure of the Democrats to derail President Trump’s nomination of Amy Coney Barrett to the U.S. Supreme Court.³

“The Democrats…haven’t laid a glove on Amy Coney Barrett. This was not the way that their hi-tech gauntlet was supposed to work,” he wrote.

“Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and company knew going in that they didn’t have the votes to stop Judge Barrett. But they were determined to at least subject her to the same kind of ritual humiliation that every other conservative candidate for the Supreme Court has had to endure since the days of Robert Bork over 30 years ago.

“They should have known better. Judge Barrett is one of the most qualified judges ever to come before the court.

“Aside from Judge Barrett’s obvious judicial qualifications, there’s this: She’s the mother of seven children, including two adopted children from Haiti and one child with special needs. As I know from personal experience—my wife and I have nine children—the mothers of large families are not easily rattled,” Mosher wrote.

¹ https://world.wng.org/content/what_pro_lifers_should_know_about_covid_19_vaccines
² https://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/world/2020/november/will-america-and-china-go-to-war-over-taiwan
³ https://www.theepochtimes.com/the-democrats-walk-of-shame_3540327.html?bclid=IwAR0wemv04Dudzw7ie661kWklJE1T39gb8bfTNlh9jn3Ar-wfKJvILUt5LJ
GUATEMALA—According to a report by Catholic News Agency, Guatemala’s Interior Ministry rescinded an agreement it had made last fall allowing Planned Parenthood to establish and operate a branch office in the country, stating it was “not in accord with the interests of the State of Guatemala.”¹

President Alejandro Giammattei announced the repeal in November, declaring he would not allow Planned Parenthood to operate in Guatemala.

“I recognize life from conception and therefore I will not tolerate in my administration any movement that violates what is established in our Political Constitution of the Republic, that goes against the values with which I was raised and that conflicts with my principles as doctor,” Giammattei said. “I am a faithful defender of life and I am emphatic in stating that I will not endorse in my administration the creation, registration or start-up of any organization that goes against life.”

According to the article, when the initial agreement authorizing Planned Parenthood was made public, political and citizen groups voiced their opposition, and lawmakers from the Viva party called for the Interior Minister to resign.

The Interior Minister, Oliverio García Rodas, submitted his resignation, which was accepted.

SOUTH KOREA—South Korea has announced its intention to introduce a bill that would allow abortion across the nation, according to a report by Right to Life UK.²

Korea’s Ministry of Justice revealed earlier this month that it would bring forth legislation that would allow for abortion up to 24 weeks, the report stated.

Abortion is currently permitted in the Republic of Korea in circumstances such as significant risk of serious injury or death, or if the pregnancy results from rape or incest.

However, the government is looking to expand those conditions and to allow unlimited abortion up to 14 weeks in pregnancy, and under certain circumstances, up to 24 weeks. These include “extenuating medical or economic circumstances,” which has in practice in other countries allowed de-facto abortion on demand.

Song Young-chae, a university professor who opposes a change in the law, said, “[Legalizing abortion] goes against Korean values, our ancestors and society. Koreans... will always value all life, even if it is unborn.”

In April 2019, the Korean Supreme Court declared that the country’s current abortion law is unconstitutional, according to the report. A similar case tried before the court in 2012 upheld the Act as constitutional.

CHINA—The Chinese government’s latest five-year plan proposal contains a birth policy with an emphasis on eugenics, according to a report in the National Catholic Register.³

“China, known for its decades-long one-child policy, is now looking to counter its aging population by encouraging Chinese women to have more babies—but only certain kinds of women,” the article stated.

Among the Chinese Communist Party’s goals listed in its policy blueprint for the years 2021–2025 is to “optimize its birth policy” and “improve the quality of the population.”

“I am actually very worried,” Columbia professor Leta Hong Fincher told a panel of China experts via video link at a virtual event by the Center for International and Strategic Studies in November.

“What caught my eye was that they actually use specific language saying that China needs to ‘upgrade population quality.’ They need to ‘optimize their birth policy.’ They even use a term ... which is effectively emphasizing the role of eugenics in population planning in China,” she said.

Hong Fincher is the author of the book Leftover Women: The Resurgence of Gender Inequality in China.

As reported in the Register, Hong Fincher said that the Chinese government’s plans to control reproduction were part of the regime’s goals.