



Many thousands of Uyghurs are believed to be imprisoned in 're-education centers' like this

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EU agrees **China** sanctions over human rights **abuses**

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EU ambassadors have agreed on a list of persons and entities to be sanctioned for human rights abuses, including ones committed against China's Uyghur minority.

The European Union's 27 ambassadors agreed on Wednesday to impose new sanctions on individuals from China and other countries over human rights abuses, two EU diplomats have said.

They will be the first sanctions against Beijing since an EU arms embargo in 1989 following the Tiananmen Square crackdown. The embargo is still in place.

China is the EU's second-largest trading partner.

The bloc's foreign ministers are expected to formally approve the sanctions on Monday.

Who is on the list?

The ambassadors have assembled a list of 11 names of individuals and entities to be hit by travel bans and asset freezes. It includes four Chinese officials and one entity accused of human rights abuses against China's Uighur Muslim minority, but will not be published until formal approval is given, EU diplomats said.

The lists also include officials from Russia, Libya, South Sudan and North Korea, diplomats said.

The agreement on sanctions comes after a planned visit by EU ambassadors to China's

East Turkistan region, where the Uyghurs largely live, was refused permission over a request to see jailed Uighur academic Ilham Tohti. **Tohti, an economist who received the EU's top human rights award, the Sakharov Prize, in 2019, was imprisoned for life on separatism charges in 2014.**

Why has China so far not approved the visit?

China's ambassador to the EU, Zhang Ming, said on Tuesday that "almost everything had been arranged" for the ambassadors' visit but that "unacceptable requests" had led to snags.

"They insist on a meeting with one criminal convicted by Chinese law," he said. "This is unacceptable; I'm so sorry."

China strongly denies allegations that it has been repressing and mistreating Uyghurs in East Turkistan (Xingiang), among other things by incarcerating them in "reeducation centers" that have been compared with prison camps.



Muslim ex-internee tells harrowing story of life in China



Concentration Camps, Chinese officials call it re-education centers

Government **blocks motion** to recognise China's treatment of Uyghurs as **genocide**

Independent senator Rex Patrick had earlier met Australian Uighurs in front of Parliament House to call out China's repression of the ethnic minority in East Turkistan (Xinjiang).



Independent Senator Rex Patrick speaks during a rally for the Uighur community outside Parliament House in Canberra, Monday, 15 March, 2021. Source: AAP

Independent Senator Rex Patrick has accused the Australian government of failing to call out China's treatment of Uyghurs in the East Turkistan (Xinjiang) region.

The federal government and Labor blocked an attempt by Senator Patrick on Monday to push through a Senate motion that would have recognised the Chinese government's actions against the Muslim minority as "genocide".

China has strongly denied allegations of human rights abuses in the western Chinese province.

However, the United States administration has described the persecution of the Uyghurs as genocide as have Canada's Parliament and the Dutch Parliament.

"It is most regrettable that Coalition and Labor Senators combined to block a vote on a motion that recognises the incontrovertible fact that the Chinese Government is engaged in a campaign against the Uyghur people that constitutes an international crime within the scope of the 1948 Genocide Convention," Senator Patrick said.

"This grim reality has been publicly recognised by the United States Administration of President Joe Biden, by the Canadian Parliament and the Parliament of the Netherlands."

Liberal Senator Jonathan Duniham said the government did not believe the motion was an appropriate means of addressing the human rights concerns.

"Australia remains deeply concerned by reports of enforced disappearances, mass detentions, forced labour, pervasive surveillance of Uyghurs and ot-

her ethnic minorities in East Turkistan (Xinjiang)," he told the Senate.

"We will continue to work closely with our key partners to advocate on this issue in a meaningful way."

Labor Senator Katy Gallagher also said the party strongly condemned the "human rights violations" against Uyghurs and other ethnic minorities.

The Greens, Senator Jacqui Lambie and Senator Stirling Griff had supported Senator Patrick's motion.

A recent report by independent US think tank Newlines Institute for Strategy and Policy found China's actions in East Turkistan (Xinjiang) violate every provision of the United Nations Genocide Convention.

The report cited examples of the torture of Uyghurs, internment and forced labour, widespread rape and sexual abuse as well as



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Australian Parliament votes for the motion put forward by Independent Rex Patrick as a move to recognize the Uyghur genocide following Canadian and Dutch Parliaments.

Uyghurs are gathered in front of the Australian Parliament House to urge it to recognize the Uyghur genocide.



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systematic forced abortions and sterilizations.

Uyghurs chanting “China stop lying” and “China stop genocide” had earlier rallied in front of federal parliament calling for the government to save their children, cousins and parents.

“If they don’t listen now a whole community, the whole Uighur nation, is going to disappear,” Uyghur leader Ramila Chanisheff told AAP on Monday.

“This is the 21st century. How does genocide occur in the 21st century?”

Ms Chanisheff, president of the Australian Uyghur Tangritagh Women’s Association, who has cousins she hasn’t seen for 10 years, said she believed the Australian government would be “on the right side of history”.

“Everyone standing here and more across Australia have close family members and relatives and friends who have disappeared. They don’t know where they are.”

Foreign Minister Marise Payne has called out reports - disputed by China - of systematic

torture and abuse of women in East Turkistan (Xinjiang) as “deeply disturbing”.

But Australia is yet to notch up the war of words to the “genocide” level.

Ms Chanisheff disputed figures of more than a million Uyghurs locked up in Xinjiang as Chinese “propaganda”, saying satellite imagery and credible independent researchers show it is many more.

“There’s over 380 concentration camps in the region. Over 500,000 children have been taken away from parents into state-run orphanages to be raised as Chinese,” she said.

“But it’s not just the camps, the whole state is militarised. There’s no going in, there’s no going out. There’s checkpoints, there’s guns, there’s soldiers, and the Chinese government asks people to spy on each other.”

Senator Patrick, representing Adelaide’s Uyghur community at the rally, said the Morrison government must stop “tiptoeing sideways”.

“It’s unacceptable conduct and we have to call it out,” Senator Patrick said.

“It is the mass repression of a group of people on a mass scale, an unprecedented scale.”

US-China meeting breaks into a tense confrontation on camera

On March 19, Secretary of State Antony Blinken, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan, and Chinese diplomats had a tense exchange at a key first meeting in Alaska. U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken raised issues such as East Turkistan (Xinjiang), Hong Kong, and Taiwan in the meeting.



Opposition party officials unveiled 6 Chinese spy cameras in the Pakistan Parliament building

Opposition party officials unveiled 6 Chinese spy cameras in the Pakistan Parliament building on March 12th. China, which is collecting secret information around the world with the help of Huawei and ZTE companies, has installed spy cameras in other countries' gatherings. This incident caused a major reaction in Pakistan. And now demanding the resignation of Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan. Imran Khan called up generals and commanders for an emergency meeting on the issue.

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East Turkistan women started marching from Istanbul to Ankara for their children and relatives in China, whom they have not heard from since 2016. Marching started on March 8...

from China but still suffering as she had uterine pus removed surgery in the USA due to her forced sterilized surgery done by China in the concentration camps.



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China has separated thousands of Uyghur children from their parents, CNN new report claims. It was supposed to be a routine trip home to East Turkistan for Mamutjan Abdurehim's wife and two children. That was five years ago. He says he hasn't seen them since.

Mamutjan said his family, who are ethnically Uyghur, are unable to leave China, while he would be at risk of being detained or imprisoned if he returned. He is now living in Adelaide, Australia.

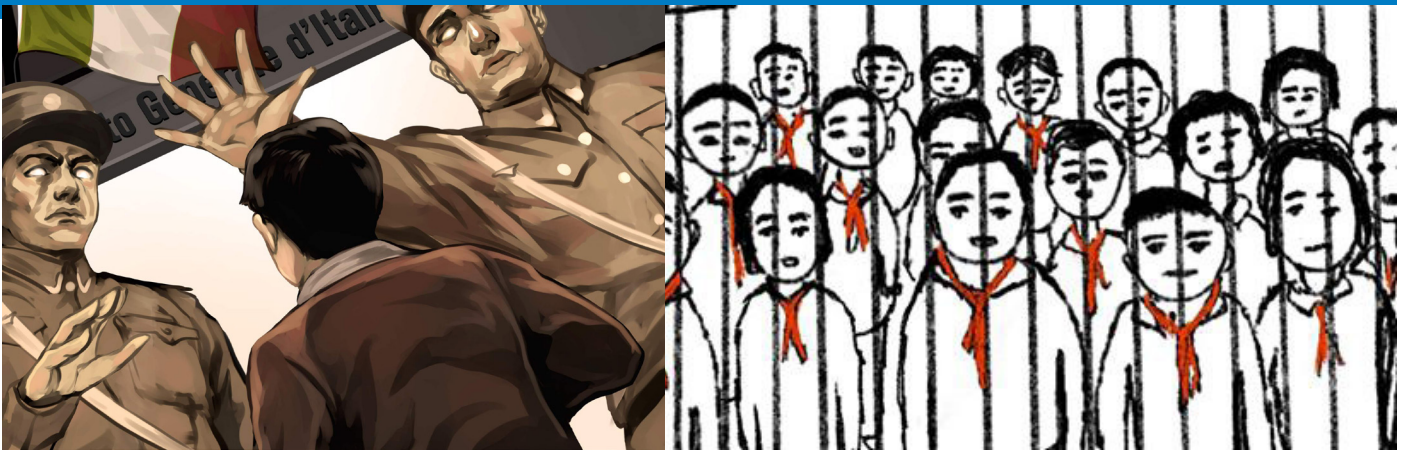
This week, a CNN team tracked down Mamutjan's 10-year-old daughter Muhlise at her paternal grandparents' home in the city of Kashgar, in southern East Turkistan.

When asked if she has a message for her father, whom she hasn't spoken to since 2017, Muhlise began to cry. "I miss him," she said.



Abdulla Rahmanjan, 13, a young Uyghur boy who went missing earlier this month, was murdered after abduction en route to school by human traffickers and left for dead in a field with his organs removed, according to official sources.

HEARTS AND LIVES BROKEN: THE NIGHTMARE OF UYGHUR FAMILIES SEPARATED BY REPRESION



Amnesty's report on the separation of Uyghur children from their parents who live in exile, CNN found two of these children in East Turkistan.

Thousands of Uyghur families have been separated for years due to the repressive policies put in place by the Chinese government. Some parents who fled the region years ago are not able to reunite with their children. Uyghur Children, whose parents are detained in one of the camps, have been brought to state-run orphanages by the Chinese authorities.

Although it is often extremely difficult, if not impossible, for Uyghurs overseas to receive information about the whereabouts of their family members, some parents have received bits and pieces of information in the form of coded words, or photos and videos, from relatives and friends that make them believe their children were taken to state-run "orphan camps" or boarding schools. - © Amnesty International

Amnesty International has recently spoken extensively to six parents residing in Australia, Canada, Italy, the Netherlands and Turkey who have been separated from their children. Their testimonies only begin to scratch the surface of the experiences of Uyghur families yearning for reunification with children trapped in China.

"If I could speak to him now, I would say to him, 'Forgive me, I brought you into the world, but I couldn't take care of you; I couldn't be a mum for you'.

"Just imagine that you cannot call your family, you don't know whether your children, your parents, or your relatives are alive or not for years. Imagine it is not only you but millions of [Uyghur] people separated from their family members. We never thought this would happen to us, but it has happened. Please help us."



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