WASHINGTON, DC - Today, America First Policy Institute's China Policy Initiative (CPI) will be in the South Dakota Capitol to provide strategic and policy expertise in support of Governor Kristi Noem's plan to protect South Dakota farmland from the Chinese Communist Party's malign influences.

In addition, CPI Chair Steve Yates will hold an information session for legislators in the Capitol building, and will meet with the governor and leadership in both houses.

"The CCP is a dangerous adversary of the United States, politically and economically, with the stated intention of overtaking us. Securing and dominating world food supply chains is an integral part of China's Belt and Road Initiative, which also sees them hoarding computer chips, minerals, and other sensitive commodities. South Dakota should lead the way in this mission by preventing the CCP and its subsidiaries from controlling the agricultural land rightfully belonging to South Dakota citizens. We are thankful to Governor Noem for her work in implementing solutions against CCP encroachment and for spreading awareness, which will protect South Dakotans and Americans alike."

Last year, the America First Policy Institute (AFPI) launched the China Policy Initative to advance and amplify policies that study how decades of America's accommodation of Communist China has nurtured an existential rival to our Nation and our livelihood as we know it.

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