

# BOYCOTT

## PLEDGE

To protest China's brutal occupation of and repression in Tibet, its many and increasing human rights violations, and its hostility to freedom, justice, democracy and religion, I hereby pledge not to buy any products manufactured in the People's Republic of China.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Signature*

### CUT OUT AND MAIL TO:

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[www.boycottMadeInChina.org](http://www.boycottMadeInChina.org)

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## MESSAGE FROM H.H. THE DALAI LAMA'S ELDEST BROTHER

I am confident that the campaign to boycott Chinese products will gain the support of freedom-loving people around the world, and will eventually succeed in forcing China to respect the rights of its own people and acknowledge Tibetan independence.

As in South Africa, this campaign must be, and clearly seen to be, fighting for definite political goals. The anti-apartheid campaign was never about saving the culture, religion or any other native African traditions. People worldwide joined the economic campaign because they opposed the injustice of white minority rule and supported the freedom of all South Africans. It is around similar clear-cut political issues that we need to galvanize our boycott campaign.

The struggle for the restoration of Tibet's independence represents the struggle to create a world where the rights of small nations are not trampled underfoot by despotic imperial powers and where the human spirit has the freedom to express itself on its own terms.

I am further assured that the boycott campaign will connect all its participants and supporters with the brave struggle that the people inside Tibet are waging – the struggle for dignity, justice, and freedom.

I call on all Tibetans and friends to join with us in the pure and sacred struggle to free our country.

*Thupten Jigme Norbu/Taktser Trulku  
Professor Emeritus, Indiana University  
Former Abbot Kumbum Monastery*

# BOYCOTT FREE TIBET

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*"... as China grows  
stronger economically,  
the government is using  
its new-found  
clout not to improve  
human rights but to resist  
human rights pressure  
through intimidation and  
commercial threats."*

*–Human Rights Watch/Asia*

## WHY A BOYCOTT?

The prevailing argument that market forces and international trade would transform China into a democracy has by now been completely discredited. China's human rights record has worsened with each passing year of expanding international trade and investment. Increasingly negative accounts of China's human rights record have become a regular feature in the reports of human rights agencies worldwide, and of the annual US State Department report on human rights.

Since the USA's de-linking of trade and human rights and the implementation of similar short-sighted policies by other developed nations, the few modest leverages there were in the past to restrain China have now been effectively relinquished. The United Nations has also been ineffectual in this regard, and, in fact, generally behaves as if its sole duty towards China were not to give it any cause for offense.

The only remaining way for concerned people to exert some positive influence on China seems to be through the power of the individual consumer. In short a boycott of Made in China products.

## INSIDE TIBET TODAY

International trade and investment in China have provided the Communist regime with the resources and confidence to:

- escalate its massive population transfer of Chinese people into Tibet,
- expand its all-pervasive and brutal apparatus of control and repression,
- undermine and eventually extinguish Tibetan language, religion, culture and way of life, and
- maintain a vast army of occupation and nuclear weapons inside Tibet.

## HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN CHINA

Even a partial review reveals the Beijing regime to be the world's number one violator of human rights, with such major abuses as:

The World's Largest System of Forced Labor Camps  
– *Laogai Research Foundation, DC*

Wholesale and Indiscriminate Application of the Death Penalty  
“...more executions in 3 months that the rest of the world in 3 years.”  
– *Amnesty International*

Commercial Harvesting of Transplant Organs of Executed Prisoners  
– *Human Rights Watch/Asia*

Complete Denial of Basic Rights to Chinese Workers and Farmers  
– *China Labor Bulletin, China Rights Forum, HK*

Nationwide Forced Abortions and Forced Sterilization  
– *Population Research Institute, Va, Laogai Research Foundation, DC*

Sweeping and Brutal Repression of All Religions  
– *Human Rights Watch, Cardinal Kung Foundation, Freedom House, DC*

Criminal Psychiatric Abuse of Political Prisoners  
– *Columbia Journal of Asian Law*

Routine Torture of Prisoners  
– *Amnesty International*

Largest Dealer of “Weapons of Mass Destruction” to Rogue States  
– *CIA, Office of Naval Intelligence, etc*

Draconian Repression in East Turkestan  
– *Uighur Human Rights Coalition, DC, Amnesty International*

## CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

Saturday December 7, 2002.

We call on all Tibetans, Tibet supporters, friends and people of conscience to join the **Boycott Made in China** campaign and sign the attached pledge. The campaign will be officially launched on **Saturday December 7, 2002**, (to honor Int'l Human Rights Day on December 10th.) Please participate in this event. Many organisations such as the US Tibet Committee, Canada Tibet Committee (Toronto and Victoria) Students for a Free Tibet, Tibetan Rights Action Coalition, Rangzen Alliance, Int'l Tibet Independence Movement, World Tibet Day Foundation. Chushi Gangdruk (NY) and others are supporting the campaign and participating in the launch.

On July 14th, 2002, in Minneapolis, all Tibetan Associations in the USA and Canada passed a resolution calling on Tibetans to boycott Made in China products and to inform and educate the international public about the moral problems of purchasing products made in China.

The Conference of the Tibetan Youth Congress Regional branches of North America (August 17-18, 2002) unanimously passed a resolution to organize Boycott Made in China campaigns in their regions and to take part in the launch on December 7th, 2002.

Many Tibetans in India are participating in the boycott campaign launched in September 2002 by the Friends of Tibet (India) and many have formally pledged never to buy or sell Chinese goods. The Friends of Tibet have also organized boycott workshops in many Tibetan centers and communities.