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Hon. James Skoufis  
Chairman of Committee on Investigations and Government Operations  
NYS Senate  
Legislative Office Building Room 815  
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Dear Chairman Skoufis:

As I'm sure you know, yesterday the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York indicted a former top aide to the Governor with serving as an illegal agent of the People's Republic of China (PRC) and influencing state policy toward the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

The former aide, Linda Sun, served as Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Hochul, and previously served in several high-level administration positions under former Governor Cuomo.

According to the federal indictment, "Sun engaged in numerous political activities in the interests of the PRC and the CCP, including blocking representatives of the Taiwanese government from having access to high-level New York State officers; changing high-level New York State officers' messaging regarding issues of importance to the PRC and the CCP; obtaining official New York State proclamations for PRC government representatives without proper authorization; attempting to facilitate a trip to the PRC by a high-level New York State politician; and arranging meetings for visiting delegations from the PRC government with New York State government officials."

Given the seriousness of this betrayal, I am respectfully asking you to hold a public hearing led by the Investigations Committee to examine the impact this agent for the PRC, who for a decade was embedded at the highest levels of our state government, had both in terms of influencing New York State policy and in potentially exposing trade secrets of U.S. and New York-based companies that do business with the state to intellectual theft by the Chinese government.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James N. Tedisco". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator James N. Tedisco