



## Hong Kong Democracy Council Policy Recommendations

### Political Prisoners and Humanitarian Pathways

- **Demand the release of political prisoners and investigate arbitrary detentions;**
- **Create humanitarian pathways for politically-persecuted Hong Kongers** through the Hong Kong Safe Harbor Act and the Hong Kong People’s Freedom and Choice Act;
- **Expand eligibility for the current Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) program** to Hong Kongers who are vulnerable to political persecution.

Suggested Reference: “*Hong Kong Reaches A Grim Milestone: 1,000 Political Prisoners*”, HKDC. Open letter to President Biden from the Hong Kong community.

### Sanctions

- **Impose targeted sanctions under the Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act, the Hong Kong Autonomy Act, and Executive Order 13936;**
- **Pursue greater international coordination** on sanctioning human rights abusers on the ground.

Suggested Reference: Proposed sanctions list by the C.E.C.C.

### Weapons Bans on Hong Kong Police Force

- **Reauthorize PROTECT Hong Kong Act of 2019, amend its sunset clause, and expand the law** to cover radio-communications equipment and any surveillance technologies that may be misused by the Hong Kong Police Force.

### Business Relations

- **Pass the Hong Kong Business Integrity and Transparency Act of 2022 into law.** The law seeks to improve federal oversight on American companies operating in Hong Kong that may contribute to human-rights abuses there;
- **Strengthen private sector guidance to U.S and foreign regulators and entities.**

Suggested Reference: “*Business Not as Usual: International Companies in the New Authoritarian Hong Kong*”, HKDC

### Hong Kong Government Overseas Influence

- **Pass the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (HKETO) Certification Act into law;**
- **Boycott propaganda events hosted by the HK government’s collaborators in the US.**

Suggested Reference: Our upcoming initiative - The Hong Kong Government Monitor

### Internet Freedom

- **Pass the Safeguarding Internet Freedom in Hong Kong Act into law.**

Suggested Reference: 7A Security’s Pentest Report on the LeaveHomeSafe App in collaboration with OTF and HKDC