

# SHANGHAI CCP MEMBERSHIP LIST

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## OUR Statement

Based on the reporting from October 30th, 2020, Internet 2.0 was made aware that a list of members from the Chinese Communist Party had been leaked online. This data appeared to be focused, but not exclusive to the Shanghai region.

Internet 2.0 worked with a number of organisations including the Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China, *The Australian* and *The Daily Mail* to verify the validity of the list and the accuracy of the information. This document is an explanation of the contents of the database and Internet 2.0's assessment on the source of the data.

Internet 2.0 had no intention of leaking the personal details of the members. However, it must be noted that the list had been viewed as many as 50,000 times online already.

Internet 2.0 was not remunerated for anything pertaining to the collection and analysis of this report.

# **KEY FACTS**

About the data





# SIGNIFICANCE



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### U.S. Tightens Visa Rules for Chinese Communist Party Members (Published 2020)

By Paul Mozur and Raymond Zhong December 3, 2020

New guidelines mean that China's 92 million party members will be limited to one-month, single-entry U.S. permits — if the State Department can figure out who they are.

### U.S. VISA RESTRICTIONS

The New York Times first reported that on 02 Dec 2020 that the Trump Administration has limited the maximum duration of any travel to the United States by members of the Chinese Communist Party and their immediate families to one month.

#### The New York Times

### **PUBLIC RELEASE**

The Chinese Communist Party has never publicly released membership details of its members. Publicly they state that there are 92 million members across China. This database would comprise in this case approximately 2.1% of the total party membership.



### **KEY FACTS** ACTIVIST ONE - DATA SOURCE

| /*   |
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| Navicat MySQL Data Transfer  |
| Source Server : localhost<br>Source Server Version : 50538<br>Source Host : localhost:3306<br>Source Database : test   |
| Target Server Type : MYSQL<br>Target Server Version : 50538<br>File Encoding : 65001   |
| Date: 2016-04-16 09:24:56<br>*/  |
| SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=0;  |
| Table structure for all  |
| DROP TABLE IF EXISTS 'all';<br>CREATE TABLE 'all' (<br>id' int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,<br>name' varchar(255) COLLATE utf8_bin DEFAU<br>sex' varchar(255) COLLATE utf8_bin DEFAU<br>nation' varchar(255) COLLATE utf8_bin DEFAU<br>dzz varchar(255) COLLATE utf8_bin DEFAU<br>idcard' varchar(255) COLLATE ut |

### The Data Extraction

Data was extracted from a MYSQL Server that was local to the activist on 16 April 2016. Internet 2.0 estimates with medium confidence that the data was taken locally from the data server in China. We cannot make a high confidence assessment due to the lack of any IP addresses.

MYSQL is an open source, relational database management system.

We assess with high confidence that the data was extracted from the server across

a local network which suggest the activists possibly had physical access to the local network. In other words this data was not taken over the internet in physical proximity to the server.

### **KEY FACTS** ACTIVIST TWO - DATA CLEANER





#### Sharing of the Data

After the initial extraction, the data was then uploaded to private chatrooms frequented by activists from a range of backgrounds including Hong Kong, Taiwan and Falun Gong. The data had been reformatted in a spreadsheet to be in a more userfriendly manner so it could be

The data first appeared in this format on the 3rd of July 2016, and

viewed and shared widely.

was subsequently forwarded to other chatrooms on the 6th of July.

Based on the chatroom's metadata, we can see the files were viewed/accessed over 50,000 times over the past 4 years.

Additional data, not relevant to this story but also available online in the same group, appeared to show that a mail server of the Jangxi Youth League was also leaked.

## OUR COMMITMENT TO PRIVACY

Internet 2.0 does not intend to sell, dump or leak the personal data. Internet 2.0 believes this matter is of its responsibility to shepherd the data into the public debate. Internet 2.0's position is that this data is of interest to the general public. This case study is an example of why privacy is one of the founding principles in the structure of the Internet. Any attempt to completely remove this element of freedom from digital communications is a fundamental threat to the foundations of democracy.

### **INTERNET 2.0 - Cloaking Firewall**

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Disappear from internet-wide scanning services such as Shodan, Censys.io, and BinaryEdge that malicious actors regularly use to find new targets with Internet 2.0 software. Appliance includes an embedded Suricata Threat Engine to match incoming traffic against the latest threat signatures, which allows defense-in-depth.

