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The House met at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. HIRONO).

### DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC, July 16, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAZIE HIRONO to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate. The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with each party limited to not to exceed 30 minutes, and each Member, except the majority leader, the minority leader, or the minority whip, limited to not to exceed 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF) for 5 minutes.

### MADE IN CHINA

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I have a longer speech today which I will insert for the record, but I want to highlight some of the key points.

During the debate over granting China permanent normal trade relations status, proponents argued that economic liberalization would lead to political liberalization in China, that exposing China to the West's ideas and values would lead them to play a more constructive role in the international community, and that the U.S. and other industrialized nations could in-

fluence China through economic activity to better respect the rights of its citizens to fundamental human rights.

Instead, we have seen why the protection of basic liberties should not come second to economic growth. The China today is worse than the China of yesterday, or of last year, or of the last decade.

And now, in addition to all of the horrible things the Chinese government does to its own citizens, it is doing to other countries' citizens as well.

Just read the headlines:

Toothpaste from China containing an industrial solvent and prime ingredient in some antifreeze.

Chinese-made Thomas the Tank children's trains slathered in lead-based paint, a substance that is toxic if swallowed.

Unsafe food products from China including prunes tinted with chemical dyes, dried apples preserved with a cancer-causing chemical, scallops and sardines coated with putrefying bacteria, and mushrooms laced with illegal pesticides.

Five types of farm-raised shrimp and fish from China banned by the FDA because they are so contaminated from unsafe drugs in China's polluted waterways.

Malfunctioning fireworks from China responsible for critical injuries, including in my hometown of Vienna, Virginia on July the 4th.

Chinese-made tires sold without a critical safety feature that prevents the tread from separating from the tire.

Within a year, China will also be the biggest source in the world of greenhouse gases from all the new coal-fired power plants being built.

I could take several 1-hour special order speeches to detail China's egregious human rights record:

Slave labor camps;

Religious persecution, including torture and imprisonment of Catholic

bishops, Protestant church leaders, Muslim worshipers, Falun Gong followers, and Buddhist monks and nuns;

Human organ harvesting and selling; Sophisticated system of espionage against the U.S. government and American businesses;

World's leading producer of pirated products.

Then there's China's foray into Sudan, selling weapons to the very government orchestrating the genocide in Darfur.

And despite all of these abhorrent acts, China was still awarded the honor of hosting the 2008 Olympics.

Where is the outrage over China's unacceptable behavior in the Congress and in the administration? The facts are before us. The United States can no longer say that things are improving in China.

Next time you make a purchase and you see the words "Made in China," think of the poisoned toothpaste, the contaminated food, the polluted waterways and airspace, the exploding tires, malfunctioning fireworks, the human rights abuses, and the intimidation of religious leaders.

Madam Speaker, imagine a country where factory workers have no workplace safety, labor or environmental protections and are required to work 80-hour weeks for no more than \$110 per month to produce goods for export.

Imagine a country which boldly supplies missiles and chemical weapons technology to countries that support or harbor terrorists.

Imagine a country that oversees a network of espionage operations against American companies and the U.S. government.

Imagine a country which tortures and imprisons Catholic bishops, Protestant church leaders, Muslim worshipers, Falun Gong followers, and Buddhist monks and nuns just because of their faith and systematically destroys churches and confiscates Bibles.

Imagine a country which has a thriving business of harvesting and selling for transplant kidneys, corneas and other human organs

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