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On May 3, 2024, two Jordanian nationals were arrested by United States Marine security elements after claiming to be subcontractors delivering packages for Amazon. Due to their suspicious story, the Marines stopped them for further questioning. The Jordanians then decided to ram the vehicle denial barriers, blocking the truck from getting further onto base.

According to reports, one of the two Jordanians crossed the southern border in the San Diego sector in April, before being released into the United States with a “notice to appear” in court. The other Jordan national was reportedly an overstay on an F-1 Student Visa.

From October 2021 to October 2023, alarming rates of illegal aliens from special interest countries have been encountered at our borders. We have seen a 3,218% increase in apprehended individuals from the Terrorist watchlist. In addition, over 6,000 Afghans, 3,000 Egyptians, 600 Iranian, and 500 Syrians have been reportedly encountered at the border. Each of these countries have robust terrorist networks that pose a clear and present threat to United States citizens and our way of life. While terrorist activity is on the rise globally, our current open border policies are making Americans unacceptably vulnerable.

Along that same timeline, the number of Chinese nationals crossing our borders has skyrocketed. In Fiscal Year 2021, 450 Chinese nationals were apprehended at the southern border; by 2023, that number exploded, with more than 24,000 Chinese nationals apprehended – and now, so far in FY24, we have already witnessed 28,000 encounters of Chinese nationals at the southern border. Even more concerning, we have seen an increase of Chinese nationals performing suspicious activities at or near military bases across our country. Officials noted that many individuals confronted by security personnel responded with scripted language, claiming to be lost tourists.

Europe is experiencing war on a scale not seen since World War II, the Middle East is facing a brutal military conflict following the horrific terrorist attack on October 7th, and the Chinese are actively antagonistic in the Pacific and Taiwan Strait, in space, and in the cyber realm. It is also painfully clear the Biden administration has completely abdicated all responsibility over the southern border, and recent news makes it clear that the American people are now facing active national security threats operating within the bounds of the U.S. border.

Given this unfortunate reality, we are seeking answers to the following questions:

Since 2021, how many individuals identified on the Terrorist Watch List have attempted to or entered the United States?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered illegally by crossing our border?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered legally through a port of entry?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many applied for asylum?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many individuals used the "CBP One" app?

How many individuals on the Terrorist Watch List are living in the United States who have been released on parole?

Since 2021, how many individuals identified to be Special Interest Aliens have attempted to or entered the United States?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country illegally by crossing our border?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country legally through a port of entry?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many applied to claim asylum?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many individuals used the "CBP One" app?

How many Special Interest Aliens are living in the United States who have been released on parole?

Since 2021, how many individuals identified to be Known or Suspected Terrorists have attempted to or entered the United States?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country illegally by crossing our border?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country legally through a port of entry?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many applied to claim asylum?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many individuals used the "CBP One" app?

How many Known or Suspected Terrorists are living in the United States who have been released on parole?

Since 2021, how many individuals from the following countries identified to have terrorist networks according to the 2022 State Department Country Reports on Terrorism, have attempted to or entered the United States?:

Burkina Faso	Uganda	Lebanon
Cameroon	China	Libya
Chad	Indonesia	Morocco
Côte D'Ivoire	Malaysia	Oman
Democratic Republic of The Congo	Philippines	Qatar
Djibouti	Singapore	Saudi Arabia
Eritrea	Thailand	Tunisia
Ethiopia	Albania	United Arab Emirates
Kenya	Russia	Yemen
Mali	Azerbaijan	Afghanistan
Mauritania	Turkey	Bangladesh
Mozambique	Algeria	India
Niger	Bahrain	Kazakhstan
Nigeria	Egypt	Kyrgyz Republic
Senegal	Iraq	Maldives
Somalia	Israel	Pakistan
South Africa	West Bank	Sri Lanka
Sudan	Gaza	Tajikistan
Tanzania	Jordan	Turkmenistan
	Kuwait	Uzbekistan

Since 2021, how many Chinese nationals have attempted to or entered the United States?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country illegally by crossing our border?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many entered this country legally through a port of entry?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many applied to claim asylum?

Of those who attempted to or entered the United States, how many individuals used the "CBP One" app?

How many Chinese nationals are living in the United States who have been released on parole?

Recent events have proven that this is a time sensitive and critical issue that demands your timely response. So that Congress can respond appropriately to support our nation's ability to combat these growing threats, please provide responses to the above questions no later than June 21, 2024.

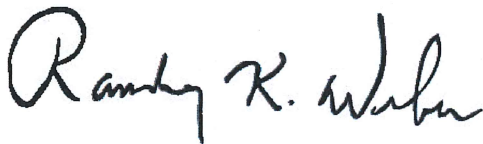
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