



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kristi Noem
Secretary of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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Dear Secretary Noem:

We write to express serious concern about the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) ongoing partnership with Alibaba Group and the implications of allowing a People's Republic of China (PRC)-based cloud provider to support the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

Alibaba serves as a critical enabler of the CCP's digital surveillance and censorship apparatus. The company appears to have partnered with Chinese military firms on surveillance and weapons development,¹ helped process data for PRC intelligence agencies,² and established a CCP party committee within the company.³ Given that the 2028 Olympics will be held in the United States, it is imperative that Alibaba not receive any access to a major U.S. city's infrastructure and security information, which would create unacceptable exposure to espionage, data exploitation, and foreign influence operations at a globally significant event.

Recent reporting has made clear that these are not abstract concerns. In the lead-up to the Paris 2024 Olympics, French cybersecurity authorities pushed back against Alibaba's role in hosting Olympic systems. Guillaume Poupard, the head of France's National Agency for the Security of Information Systems (ANSSI), confirmed there was a "fight" to keep Alibaba away from sensitive data systems due to concerns about access by the PRC government.⁴ French authorities ultimately insisted that Olympic data remain within France's sovereign jurisdiction, with special safeguards imposed on any Alibaba systems involved.

Given the strategic significance of Los Angeles—including its proximity to military installations, defense contractors, critical infrastructure, and leading technology firms—the presence of any PRC-controlled technology company in operational roles for LA 2028 creates an unacceptable risk. Alibaba's provision of cloud infrastructure, e-commerce, ticketing, and

¹ Y. Wang, "Alibaba teams up with Norinco to provide positioning services using China's BeiDou satellite system," *Forbes*, August 18, 2015. <https://www.forbes.com/sites/ywang/2015/08/18/alibaba-teams-up-with-norinco-to-provide-positioning-services-using-chinas-beidou-satellite-system/>

² Zach Dorfman, "Tech Giants Are Giving China a Vital Edge in Espionage," *Foreign Policy*, December 23, 2020. <https://foreignpolicy.com/2020/12/23/china-tech-giants-process-stolen-data-spy-agencies/>

³ Global Times, "Alibaba Beijing office sets up a CPC committee," March 25, 2021. <https://www.globaltimes.cn/page/202103/1219443.shtml>

⁴ France 24, "French concern about Chinese Alibaba cloud for Paris 2024," December 3, 2021. <https://www.france24.com/en/live-news/20211203-french-concern-about-chinese-alibaba-cloud-for-paris-2024>

broadcasting services in prior Olympics has already given the company substantial access to systems and personnel.⁵ This risk is heightened by the nature of the CCP's influence over PRC-based companies and the increasing geopolitical tension surrounding critical technology platforms.

Accordingly, we request a classified briefing no later than September 30, 2025, from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) on the above risks, ongoing efforts to advise the IOC and relevant critical infrastructure owners and operators of potential risks and mitigation measures, and potential options to prevent or remove Alibaba's access to LA 2028 infrastructure and information.

Given the CCP's clear strategic interest in exploiting foreign data systems, we believe that no PRC-controlled provider should be given any operational role unless the U.S. Government can verify the implementation of robust and demonstrable security controls—if such controls are even possible.

Sincerely,



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⁵ Forum SPB, "Alibaba Group announced as Olympic TOP sponsor until 2028," <https://forumspb.com/en/news/news/alibaba-group-obyavlena-sponsorom-olimpiyskoy-programmy-na-period-do-2028-goda/>