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Issue 1: Translating & Assessing the "List of Sources of Internet News Information" by Cyberspace Administration of China

IN BRIEF

The Cyberspace Administration of China recently published a “List of Sources of Internet News Information”. The list contains 1358 news source outlets. It comprises central news websites, central news units, industry media, local news websites, local news units, and government affairs dispatch platforms. It basically rules that Chinese people should only read or repost news from these listed websites. This list comes in addition to the Market Access Negative List 2021 which has sought to reassert domestic discourse and encourage as much dependence on state-owned media as possible by banning many private enterprises from owning media divisions.

A list similar to the “List of Sources of Internet News Information” was last published in 2016. Compared to that version, this List has immensely expanded on the total number of sites (almost four times more than the previous one); it has diversified the field with specialized sources being included; it has included public accounts and applications such as WeChat and Weibo whose official accounts post news; the financial country-level media centers have also been added; and it has greatly expanded the platform for government releases to be carried ensuring wide outreach.

The spokesperson of the Cyberspace Administration of China emphasized that from now on, when Internet news information service providers reprint news information, they must follow the latest version of the "List of Sources of Internet News Information", and those who reprint beyond the scope of this list will be punished in accordance with the laws and regulations.

National Cyberspace Administration of China will implement dynamic management throughout the entire process of the list of sources, with the method of "addition and removal". This essentially means that following the rules will keep you on the List or get you added to the same while breaking the rules will lead to your expulsion and legal action.

In this CiCM Insight, we have translated the List to show news sources accessible in China by the public and also provided our assessments.

Accessible w.r.t. Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region

新疆（13家）			
新闻网站			
单位名称	公众账号		应用程序
	官方微博	官方微信	
天山网	天山网	天山网 天山之声	
新疆新闻在线			
丝路视听网			
新疆网	新疆网	新疆网	
兵团网			
兵团胡杨网	兵团号 文明兵团	兵团零距离 兵团发布	
兵团在线			
新闻单位			
单位名称	公众账号		应用程序
	官方微博	官方微信	
新疆日报	新疆日报	新疆日报	石榴云
乌鲁木齐晚报	乌鲁木齐晚报	乌鲁木齐晚报	掌上乌鲁木齐
兵团日报	兵团日报	兵团日报	兵团日报
新疆广播电视台	直播新疆	直播新疆	丝路视听
乌鲁木齐广播电视台			
兵团广播电视台	兵团广播电视台	新疆兵团卫视	云上兵团

Accesible w.r.t. Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region (translated)

News websites			
company name	Public account		Application Program
	Official weibo	Official wechat	
Tian shan net	Tian shan net	Tian shan net Tian shan voice	
Xin jiang news online			
silk road television and radio			
xin jiang net	Xin jiang net	Xin jiang net	
bingtuan net / military unit net			
bingtuan diverse net	bingtuan hao civilization corps	zero distance corps bingtuan issue	
bingtuan online /corps online			
News unit			
company name	Public account		Application Program
	Official weibo	Official wechat	
xijiang daily paper	xijiang daily paper	xijiang daily paper	shiliu yun (pomegranate cloud)
urumqi evening paper	urumqi evening paper	urumqi evening paper	zhang shang wulumuqi (palm urumqi)
bingtuan daily paper	Bingtuan daily paper	Bingtuan daily paper	bing tuan ri bao(corps daily paper)
xinjiang radio and television station	live xinjiang	live xinjiang	silu shiting (silkroad television and radio)
urumqi radio and television station			
bingtuan radio and television station	bingtuan radio and television station	xinjiang bingtuan (corps) satellite TV	yun shang bingtuan (cloud corps)

Accessible Central Government Websites

互联网新闻信息稿源单位名单（中央 286 家）

中央新闻网站（79 家）				
序号	单位名称	公众账号		应用程序
		官方微博	官方微信	
1	人民网	人民网	人民网	人民网+
2	新华网	新华网	新华网	新华网
3	央视网	央视网	央视网	央视影音
4	中国网	中国网	中国网	中国网
5	国际在线	国际在线 国际在线新闻	国际在线	
6	中国日报网	中国日报网	中国日报网	China Daily
7	中国青年网	中国青年网	中国青年网	中国青年
8	中国经济网	中国经济网	中国经济网	
9	中国台湾网	中国台湾网	今日台湾	
10	中国西藏网	中国西藏网	中国西藏网	中国西藏网
11	光明网	光明网	光明网	光明云眼
12	央广网	央广网 中央人民广播电台	央广网	央广网
13	中国军网		中国军网	
14	中国新闻网	中国新闻网	中国新闻网	中国新闻网
15	人民政协网	人民政协网		
16	法制网	法制网	法制网	
17	中青在线	中国青年报	青年观察家 中青校媒	
18	环球网	环球网	环球网	环球 TIME
19	中工网	中工网	中工网	
20	未来网	未来网	未来网	未来网
21	海外网	人民日报海外版·海外网	海外网 港台腔	海客视频 海客新闻
22	正义网	正义网	检察日报正义网	
23	中国搜索	中国搜索	中国搜索	中国搜索
24	党建网		党建网微平台	
25	求是网	求是	求是网	
26	理论网			
27	人民论坛网			
28	廉织网	廉织网	廉织微平台	
29	中国文明网	中国文明网	中国文明网	
30	学习强国		学习强国	学习强国
31	中国妇女网		中国妇女网	
32	中国农网			
33	中国侨网	中国侨网	中国侨网	侨宝
34	中国发展网		中国发展网	
35	参考消息网			
36	中国能源网	中国能源报	中国能源报	
37	证券时报网			
38	中国经济周刊网（经济网）			
39	环球人物网			
40	半月谈网			
41	经济参考网			
42	中国小康网	中国小康网	中国小康网	
43	证券日报网			
44	中国教育新闻网	中国教育新闻网	中国教育新闻网	

45	神州学人网			
46	中国科技馆			
47	中国工作产业网	中国制造业	中国制造业	
48	中国民族亲缘网			
49	中国法制网			中国法制网
50	关爱下一代网			
51	中国新闻报网			
52	中国组织人事报新闻网			
53	中国劳动保障新闻网			
54	中国环境网站			
55	中国建设新闻网			
56	中国交通新闻网			
57	中国水运网			
58	中国水利网			
59	央视网	央视网	央视网	
60	中国旅游新闻网			

Central news website (79 companies/ sites)

Sno.	company name	Public account		application program
		official weibo	Official wechat	
1	People's daily online	People's daily online	People's daily online	People's daily online
2	Xinhua net	Xinhua net	Xinhua net	Xinhua net
3	Central China TV net/ CCTV online	CCTV online	CCTV online	CCTV audio and video
4	China online	China online	China online	China online
5	international online	international online international online news	international online	
6	China daily online	China daily online	China daily online	China daily
7	China youth net	China youth net	China youth net	China youth
8	China economic net	China economic net	China economic net	
9	China Taiwan net	China Taiwan net	Taiwan today	
10	China Tibet online	China Tibet online	China Tibet online	China Tibet online
11	Guang ming online	Guang ming online	Guang ming online	Guang ming cloud media
12	central broadcast net (CCTV)	cctv net people's central broadcasting station	Cctv net	cctv net
13	China military online		China military online	
14	China news net	China news net	China news net	China news net

15	People's Political consultative conference online	People's Political consultative conference online		
16	legal system online	legal system online	legal system online	
17	China Youth online	China's youth daily	youth observer china youth daily school media	
18	global online	Global online	Global online	Global TIMES
19	China industry net	china industry net	China industry net	
20	future online/net	future online/net	future online /net	future online / net
21	overseas network	People's daily overseas edition - overseas online	overseas online Hong kong and	Haike video Haike news
22	Justices net	justice net	procuratorial daily justice online	
23	China search	China search	China search	China search
24	Party Building online		Party building online small platform	
25	Qiushi online	Qiushi	qiushi online	
26	theory online			
27	people's forum online			
28	Banner online	Ziguang court	banner micro platform	
29	china civilization net	China civilization net	China civilization net	
30	Xuexi Qiangguo		Xuexi Qiangguo	Xuexi
31	china women's		china women's online	
32	china agriculture online			
33	China emigrant net	China emigrant net	China emigrant net	Qiao bao
34	China development online		China development online	
35	Reference news			
36	china energy net	China energy news	China energy news	
37	security (financial)times			
38	China economy weekly online(economy net)			
39	Global people net			
40	Banyue talks net			
41	economic reference net			

42	china xiaokang net	China xiaokang net	China xiaokang net	
43	securities (financial) daily net			
44	China education news net	China education news net	China education news net	
45	China scholar net			
46	China science and technology net			
47	China industryand information technology net	made in china	made in China	
48	China national religion net			
49	China court net			China court online
50	care next generation			
51	China financial news net			
52	china organization and human affairs news net			
53	China labor and social security news net			
54	China environment website			
55	china construction news net			
56	China communication news net			
57	China water transport network			
58	China water conservancy net			
59	nong shi net / agriculture net	nong shi net / agriculture net	nong shi net / agriculture net	nong shi net
60	China travel news online			

ASSESSMENT

This new List of Internet Sources published by the Cyberspace Administration depicts how the Chinese government continues to have an upper hand and ensure dominance on the news information that flows all across the country and outside it. This list included more state-run media outlets which highlights further that the information that is circulated in the country will be monitored by the State. The reason given by the Chinese officials for this updated list was that media outlets were no longer meeting the requirements and have poor daily influence. But on the other side, this list has dropped a popular independent media outlet, Caixin, which is known for their investigative journalism, regular reporting on COVID-19, corruption climate crisis in China.

The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) manages control over its citizens via heavy media restrictions and censorship. Such restrictive media environments have birthed unique ventures coupled with nationalist 'netizens' --also known as the 'Little Pink' --that promote censorship to control information in the news, online, and on social media. China blocks many foreign websites, including Facebook, Instagram, and some Google services; still, the Chinese public has found ways to circumvent the so-called Great Firewall. The four major national networks, namely CSTNET, ChinaNet, CERNET and CHINAGBN, are the "backbone" of the mainland Chinese internet and ultimately seek to further the CCP's maintenance of the 'Great Firewall'. They are state-funded, and therein owe allegiance to the Party.

Recently the Chinese government has also released its updated Market Access Negative List (MANL) which prohibited private investment in media outlets. As reported in ORCA's October 15, 2021 CiCM newsletter, pro-CCP netizens showed support for curb on private media companies via the Market Access Negative List. While the CCP maintains strict control over limiting any potential criticism of its practices, Weibo still emerges as a platform where citizens voice concerns over certain policies (in quickly censored posts). For instance, recent CiCM reports have covered instances of women voicing criticism of the one-child policy and discussions over disco-

-tent vis-a-vis the marriage leave system.

Despite such brief examples, such List(s) by the Chinese government raise serious threats to the quality of journalistic practices in the country and how that will shape up in the coming future. Via the MANL, Non-state funds are not allowed to engage in services including: news collection, editing and broadcasting businesses, investing in setting up and operating news organizations; operating pages, radio frequencies, channels, programs or social-media accounts of news organizations, live broadcast of events related to political views, public opinions or values, republishing news by foreign entities and forums or awards activities in the news media sector. This, coupled with the List of Internet Sources, only adds to the regulatory crackdown on a range of industries from Chinese authorities, especially the media sector.