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Transparency with Chinese Characteristics

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Chinese government officials are shocked, shocked — no wait, make that "*extremely* shocked!" — that the World Health Organization (no less) proposes "to further investigate whether the coronavirus emerged from a lab in Wuhan."



"We are asking China to be

transparent, open and cooperate," said Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, the W.H.O.'s director-general, "especially on the information, raw data that we asked for in the early days of the pandemic."

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But yesterday, at a Beijing news conference, the vice minister of the Chinese National Health Commission, Zeng Yixin, shared his feelings that "this plan revealed a lack of respect for common sense and an arrogant attitude toward science. We can't possibly accept such a plan for investigating the origins."

Instead, Zeng suggested searching for "signs of natural transmission . . . and the possibility that the virus may have first spread outside China" . . . or perhaps chasing after wild geese.

"[S]everal Chinese officials asserted that the W.H.O. inquiry got it right the first time," explained *The New York Times*, "and that there was no evidence to justify renewed checks of the labs."

"Renewed"? That supposes that labs at the Wuhan Institute of Virology have previously been inspected, forensically, and the personnel interviewed — not to mention a ton of essential evidence on the virus shared and analyzed. *None* of that has happened.

The joint WHO-China investigation was no such thing. It was a transparent* scam to dismiss the lab-leak theory as "extremely unlikely" without scrutiny. Even the head of the W.H.O. publicly backed away from its own finding, declaring that more investigation was needed.

Only major U.S. media still buy Chinazi gaslighting . . .

... or express surprise that the genocidal mobsters running China won't cooperate in holding themselves accountable.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.

^{*} No doubt, this marks the absolute zenith of transparency for the Chinese Communist Party.