

China's Turn Toward Antisemitism

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"The United States as a nation has been severely kidnapped by political and other forces derived from Jewish capital," thus said Dong Manyuan, the former Vice president of CIIS, the Chinese foreign ministry's think tank, in a TV interview on November 1, in response to the interviewer claim that Jews "manipulate and control" 70% of America's wealth. (Dong had expressed a similar view, cast in only slightly less hostile terms, even before the war.)

In the weeks since Hamas' October 7 assault on Israel, the People's Republic of China has not only joined ranks with Russia and Iran in diplomatic efforts against Israel and supportive of Palestinians. That is not new. What is new is a surge on social media platforms controlled by the Chinese government of an unprecedented spate of antisemitic messaging.

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