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Christmas Made in China: Or How to Win the War Against Capitalism with Toy Soldiers

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From another report about poisoned toys coming from China: "Customs and Border Protection officers assigned to the Port Everglades Trade Enforcement Team seized over 3,500 toys in two separate merchandise seizures entering Port Everglades from China, the agency said on Friday..." "The federal officers also made another seizure at Port Everglades involving 1,440 toy soldiers also coming from China. Officials from the Consumer Product Safety Commission tested the toys and determined that these toy soldiers contained excessive lead in the paint and were in violation of the lead paint ban as they posed lead poisoning hazard." If you home school like we do, you are shielded from the peer driven and media driven demand for this plastic stuff. Â Sure, we would like to have some of this otherwise neat stuff... but our love for the Chinese people who suffer under communism far outweighs our desire to amuse ourselves. While most Americans have probably forgotten the Chinese toys of death scare from 2007 ... below is a repost that explains my sentiments: Chinese "Date Rape" Beads of Death The Herald Tribune is reporting that "Aqua Dots" Chinese-made children's toys contain the 'date rape' drug. Scientists say a chemical coating on the beads, when ingested, metabolizes into the so-called date rape drug gamma hydroxy butyrate. When eaten, the compound - made from common and easily available ingredients - can induce unconsciousness, seizures, drowsiness, coma and death. Could this Chinese toy thing get any stranger? A Lead, asbestos, gamma hydroxy butyrate... could they try any harder to make this look like a sinister communist plot to kill American children? We have long boycotted Chinese made products -- yes, it is possible. A It takes more time shopping and sometimes we go home empty handed. A But, like most Americans, who needs more stuff? A As someone who loves toys, those three little words - Made in China - sure help us save a lot of money. Â Try it; just put the stuff back on the shelf. Our little family is like a chorus going through a toy store: "Made in China", "Made in China", "Made in China". I believe those are the first words most of our children learned to read -- dad's homeschool of consumer awareness. A Our little boycott started, not because of consumer safety reasons, but because the communists represent real evil in this world. A Christians are persecuted in China. Political freedom is suppressed. Individual expression is punished. Information is controlled by the state. Every industry profits from slave labor (through forced labor of political prisoners in energy and mining). Â And, women are forced to have abortions. Also, a portion of every dollar that goes to China gets invested into the PLA (Peoples Liberation Army), China's military, which is engaged in a great strategic expansion in anticipation of the coming conflict with the United States. Historically, China views the United States as an enemy. All of their military build-up is targeted at countering the United States -anti-satellite weapons to target our communications, blue water navy and submarines to counter our aircraft carriers, hacking to disrupt our information infrastructure, anti-surface missiles to counter our navy, short and medium range missiles to target Taiwan and US bases in Asia, ICBM's to target American cities. Please pray that this coming conflict does not come to pass. Â Pray that the communist government of China would be destroyed and freedom would come to the Chinese people. Â Too long have they suffered under the suppression of totalitarian government (at key historical points reinforced by western powers). Â In 1989 brave individuals stood up for political reform in China, the result was death and prison for thousands. Â The west largely ignored these tyrannical acts and expanded trade relations with China Trade has done little since then to give the Chinese people political freedom. Â Instead, the power of the communist dictators has been reinforced and strengthened by the influx of western cash. Please stop giving your cash to China; instead give them your prayers and determination to see them free to worship Christ as you do. Don't you think that is a better lesson for your children then that plastic (and perhaps lead painted) toy?

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