



# **TRUMP CAMPAIGN ADS ATTACK BIDEN**

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President Trump's re-election committee debuted another attack ad directed at challenger Joe Biden, this time accusing the presumptive Democrat nominee of refusing to acknowledge his alleged "xenophobia."



THE AD ATTEMPTS TO PORTRAY BIDEN AS BEING COZY WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS WHOM TRUMP ACCUSES OF COVERING UP EARLY STAGES OF THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK IN CHINA.

The ad incorrectly identifies Gary Locke, the former U.S. Ambassador to China, as a “Chinese official.” Locke is a Chinese American.



# The ad claims, “During America’s crisis, Biden protected China’s feelings.”

- However, the photo was taken several years ago when Biden was vice-president during President Barack Obama’s years in the White House. The coronavirus pandemic began in 2019, during Trump’s administration, at least three years after the photo of Biden with Chinese officials was taken.





The Trump attack ad also features an image of Biden and his son Hunter in Beijing in 2013.



- The ad raises a factually unsupported suggestion that the Bidens were involved in questionable business dealings with China



The Trump ad ends with an accusation that Biden disagreed with Trump's travel ban from China, which the president credits with limiting the number of coronavirus deaths in the U.S.



Biden's deputy campaign manager Kate Bedingfield denounced that claim during an interview on CNN.

“Biden supports the travel bans that have been implemented. Joe Biden supports travel bans that are guided by medical experts, advocated by public health officials, and backed by a full strategy,” she said.