Committee of 100 President: Chinese American scientists have long been targeted, Congressional Roundtable is just a first step

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Intro:
Sinovision reporter YiYi Wang in New York: On July 1, US congress Representatives Jamie Raskin and Judy Chu, held a roundtable about effects against Chinese American scientists. Committee of 100, a non-profit U.S. leadership organization of prominent Chinese Americans, has submitted for the record and issued a statement following the roundtable. Committee of 100 President Zheng Yu Huang said the roundtable is just a first step, with congressional hearings, formal reports are expected for future results.

Details:
Huang said Committee of 100 in 2017 issued its white paper which provides empirical evidence that Chinese American scientists have been targeted.

According to Huang, this happens partly because Chinese Americans have always been regarded as “forever outsiders”; Furthermore, it’s caused by irresponsible politicians who are selling fears. This not only affects Chinese American scientists, but also has negative effects on America’s economic competitiveness.

As for why Congress will take action on the issue at this point of time, Huang said that on one hand, it’s because of the continuous efforts by the Chinese American elite group over the years; On the other hand, he said it’s because of the anti-Asian phenomenon during the pandemic, which has made many politicians finally realize the effects of racial profiling on Chinese Americans.

Huang also pointed out that the roundtable is far from meeting the goals. To make it happen, it will need to lobby more congress representatives from both Democratic and Republican parties. Committee of 100 plans to release an updated version of the research report later this year and to let the lawmakers better understand how serious the problem is.(END)