*Summary of on-screen lettering*

*and “placement”*

Taiwangate and Illegal Arms Sales

*Taiwangate*

*US$ 100 million "slush fund"*

*Republic of China Ministry of National Defense (ROC MND)*

The ROC in Taiwan has mandatory military conscription for males aged 19 and above.

new draftees 155,000 per year

ROC regime 1949

Article 51 of the *Geneva Convention (IV) relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War*

San Francisco Peace Treaty (SFPT) of April 28, 1952.

Japan has renounced its own right and title to the islands, but their future status was deliberately left undetermined, and the U.S. as a principal victor over Japan has an interest in their ultimate future.

1949

ROC government in exile

U.S court decisions

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President Lincoln enacted a military draft in 1863

Selective Draft Law Cases (1918)

Gillette v. United States (1971)

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ROC in Taiwan

ROC Constitution, Article 4

SFPT, the Taiwan Relations Act, the Three Joint PRC-USA Communiques, the One China Policy, pronouncements or Executive Orders

(1) Republic of China government structure

(2) Republic of China Constitution

Taiwan Relations Act

“provide” or “make available”

SFPT Article 4(b)

United States Military Government (USMG), has *de jure* jurisdiction over Taiwan

Spratly Islands’ dispute

ROC regime on Taiwan claims sovereignty

The Spratly Islands fall outside of the geographical definition of “Taiwan” in the TRA.

Pivot to Asia strategy

The legality of military conscription in Taiwan

Torture of Conscriptees?

24-year-old draftee Hung Chung-chiu

300 per year

Taiwan’s legal status: undetermined

US policy regarding Taiwan: strategic ambiguity

22 USC 3301 (c) **Human rights**

*The preservation and enhancement of the human rights of all the people on Taiwan are hereby reaffirmed as objectives of the United States.*

*Where is the legal basis for the Republic of China in Taiwan to maintain a Ministry of National Defense on Taiwanese soil, and to impose mandatory military conscription policies over the local Taiwan populace?*

Conclusion

U.S. Executive Branch officials and members of Congress should call for a moratorium on all military conscription activities by the ROC regime in Taiwan ASAP until the exact legal basis for such policies (under international law) can be firmly established.