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Mr. Scott Oberdick President NonLethal Technologies, Inc. 9419 Route 286 Highway West Homer City, PA 15748

Dear Mr. Oberdick:

As a United States manufacturer, you are blessed to enjoy the many freedoms and opportunities our nation has to offer. I am sure we can agree that America is the best country in the world, with infinite possibilities. Unfortunately, that autonomy does not exist everywhere. I recently traveled to Hong Kong to meet with protestors who are fighting every day for the basic human rights that we take for granted. I heard terrible stories of police brutality, imprisonment and intimidation.

President Xi of China is a human rights violator and a Communist dictator set on world domination. I am glad the United States is finally standing up to China as they threaten the security of America and all freedom-loving nations across the globe. We must all take a stand in the fight for freedom and democracy.

During my trip, I learned how Hong Kong authorities use crowd control methods, including rubber bullets and tear gas canisters, in an inhumane manner to silence protestors. I was extremely troubled to learn that apparently your company, NonLethal Technologies, has provided the Hong Kong police with tear gas that is now being used to oppress and violate the rights of the people of Hong Kong. I saw firsthand how your products are used in a dangerous and malicious manner to intentionally harm protestors. Crowd control devices are meant to be used as a tool in specific and limited circumstances by trained law enforcement, not to be used by oppressive governments to incite violence from peaceful protestors.

Your decision to provide these types of products to Hong Kong authorities is equivalent to supporting the efforts of President Xi to harm ordinary citizens and peaceful protestors. I have reached out to your company in an effort to meet with you and discuss my concerns echoed by the global community. I write today to request you meet with me as soon as possible to discuss the impact of NonLethal Technologies in Hong Kong, and your company's continued support for our adversary, China.

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I stand with the brave men and women fighting in Hong Kong, and will always fight for freedom and democracy. I look forward to your timely response and working together to put human rights above profits.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott

United States Senator