

CHINA: Family planning police screen women four times a year for illegal pregnancy

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Breitbart (07.05.2016) – <http://bit.ly/2eqBwv0> – Despite its recent publicized move to a “two-child policy,” China’s family planning police continue to regularly examine women to make sure they have not gotten pregnant illegally, and make use of forced abortions and involuntary sterilizations in case of unpermitted pregnancies.

According to experts on China, little has changed since the communist nation approved a new two-child policy, and human rights abuses such as forced sterilizations and abortions continue unabated.

According to a recent report from the BBC, all Chinese women of childbearing age have mandatory check-ups four times a year to ensure they are healthy and not pregnant without permission. A couple needs official approval before starting a family and must ask permission before trying to conceive. Population officers keep strict tabs on each woman’s medical history, listing the children she has, the contraception she uses, and any terminated pregnancies.

The Communist Party employs an estimated one million people in its army of family planning officials, who patrol the land, enforcing China’s strict population-control policies.

China’s government says that its population-control measures have prevented about 400 million births since their adoption in 1979. A disproportionate number of the children aborted

have been girls, leaving China with the world's worst gender imbalance.

Because of sex-selective abortions, men now outnumber women in China by nearly 35 million, creating a situation of desperation for many men of marriage age who simply cannot find any eligible women to marry.

As Breitbart News has reported, the dearth of marriageable women has spawned a human trafficking industry that smuggles young girls across the border from Vietnam into China to be sold as child brides.

The villages on the border between Vietnam and China have become a veritable hunting ground for human traffickers, where girls as young as 13 are trapped, drugged, or lured under false pretenses and then transported across the border.

Chinese men are willing to pay upwards of \$3,000 for a Vietnamese bride because the cultural similarities between the two countries make the women especially desirable.

In its 2015 report, the Congressional-Executive Commission on China (CECC) said that China's coercive population-control program, now known as the "two-child policy," continues to employ torture methods, such as forced abortion and sterilization, despite a widespread public outcry.

Many provincial laws in China explicitly instruct officials to forcibly carry out abortions for "illegal" pregnancies, with no requirement for consent.