

# [***Eric Adams Skipped Out On Reception With Taiwanese President After Receiving Warning From Chinese Official***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BPP-C691-DXXD-700G-00000-00&context=1516831)

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Democratic New York City Mayor Eric Adams skipped out on a reception with the President of Taiwan after receiving warnings from China, the National Review reported on Wednesday.

Adams and city administration officials had the opportunity to attend a celebratory [*banquet*](https://english.president.gov.tw/News/6470) in March 2023 featuring Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-Wen. Adams did not attend the banquet after receiving a letter from a high-level Chinese diplomat urging him not to communicate with Tsai, warning him that doing so could upend New York's “friendship” with China, [*according*](https://www.nationalreview.com/2024/04/exclusive-nyc-mayor-eric-adams-skipped-banquet-for-taiwans-president-after-lobbying-by-chinese-diplomat/) to a letter obtained by NR. [***(RELATED: 'Astonishing Abuse Of Power': New Court Filing Details Allegations Against NYC Mayor Adams)***](https://dailycaller.com/2024/03/18/astonishing-abuse-power-woman-details-eric-adams-alleged-sexual-assault-against-her-new-court-filing/)

The Taiwan “question” is a delicate [*issue*](https://dailycaller.com/2024/01/31/us-scrambling-prep-for-china-invasion-of-taiwan-defense-officials-say/) for the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). Though the island maintains independence, China insists that Taiwan is a rogue territory that needs to be “reunited” with the mainland, and demands other countries view the matter similarly, [*including*](https://dailycaller.com/2023/06/19/china-wang-yi-taiwan-antony-blinken-visit/) the U.S.

Adams has [*fallen*](https://dailycaller.com/2023/10/20/eric-adams-nyc-chinese-police-station/) under [*scrutiny*](https://dailycaller.com/2022/10/26/eric-adams-chinese-ccp-donor-nyc/) for his administration's [*association*](https://dailycaller.com/2024/03/19/chinese-billionaire-pleads-guilty-llegal-campaign-donations-new-york-city/) with the CCP. Adams has corresponded with Chinese consul general Huang Ping, who sent him the letter in March 2023, several times since he was elected in 2021, according to NR.

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK - MARCH 01: New York City Mayor Eric Adams attends a memorial for the 30th anniversary of the killing of teenager Ari Halberstam on the Brooklyn Bridge on March 01, 2024 in New York City.  (Photo by Spencer Platt/Getty Images)

“Taiwan question is the most important and most sensitive issue at the very heart of China-U.S. relations,” Chinese consul general Huang Ping wrote in a letter to Adams just hours before the event, according to NR. “I would like to remind the New York City government of paying more attention to our concerns and dealing with Taiwan Question with extra caution. We also hope that the City government avoid any kind of official contact with Tsai when she is in New York City.”

“China always pays high attention to the cooperation with New York City and cherishes the friendship between the two sides,” Huang wrote to Adams. “I sincerely hope the momentum of our communication and cooperation will continue and would not be affected by other issues.”

It isn't clear why Adams and his administration did not attend the banquet with Tsai; Adam's office did not respond to NR's email and text requests for comment. Several other politicians took part in the banquet, including Democratic New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy and Democratic New York state Sen. Iwen Chu.

The letter was first from Huang to a senior advisor to Adams, who then forwarded it to several officials in his administration, according to NR. Huang was in contact with the Adams administration in the weeks leading up to the event.

Adams and Huang have been seen together publicly several times since 2021, even attending a gala in January hosted by Chinese-state media, according to NR. Officials within his administration have also attended such events, including two whom the FBI [*raided*](https://dailycaller.com/2024/02/29/fbi-raids-home-eric-adams-aide/) in November 2023 and February of this year.

Adams is also the [*subject*](https://dailycaller.com/2023/11/17/documents-ties-eric-adams-corruption-probe/) of an ongoing FBI investigation into possible illegal campaign donations and foreign corruption allegations. Adams denies the allegations.

Adams' office did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

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