

# **EPSTEIN NETWORK: FROM RUSSIAN OLIGARCHS TO CHINA'S SUDDEN BOOM**

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## **1. EPSTEIN AS U.S. BROKER**

- Connected Russian oligarch Oleg Deripaska (sanctions evasion)
- Connected Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman and Public Investment Fund (Vision 2030)
- Connected Chinese billionaire Li Ka-shing through Les Wexner (U.S. tech access)
- Enabled backchannel access to U.S. elites, capital, and technology

## **2. THE CONNECTION TO CHINA**

- Les Wexner outsourced L Brands manufacturing to China (2010s).
- Epstein advised JPMorgan on China business strategy (2009–2010).
- Li Ka-shing's investment firm poured money into U.S. tech during Epstein's peak influence.

## **3. THE ARREST — JULY 6, 2019**

- U.S. media, Department of Justice, and Congress focused 90% on trafficking.
- Epstein's role as foreign broker collapsed.

## **4. TIMING OVERLAP — SUSPICIOUS BUT NOT PROVEN**

- July 6, 2019: Epstein arrested — national attention locked on scandal.
- July 2019: China announces \$100 billion artificial intelligence investment plan.
- 2019–2025: China research & development spending jumps from \$495 billion to \$1.4 trillion.

- 2019–2025: China files 188,000 artificial intelligence patents (4× U.S. total).
- Coincidence? Possible. But the **timing alignment is undeniable**.
- Senate Intelligence Committee should examine whether Epstein's fall **cleared the path** for China.

## 5. TIMELINE CLARIFICATION (Chart Legend)

- Events ordered chronologically (2004–2025) to show progression of influence.
- Russia (2004–2016): Foundation of Epstein's broker role.
- Saudi (2017–2018): Expansion into Middle East tech.
- China (2019–2025): Final surge after Epstein's removal.
- Map layout reflects **flow of access**, not geography.

## 6. RECOMMENDATION

Investigate Epstein-linked entities for:

- U.S.–China technology transfer.
- Timing of arrest versus China's artificial intelligence breakout.
- Foreign influence through U.S. elites.

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