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*China’s Security State* describes the creation, evolution, and development of Chinese security and intelligence agencies as well as their role in influencing Chinese Communist Party politics throughout the party’s history. Xuezhi Guo investigates patterns of leadership politics from the vantage point of security and intelligence organization and operation by providing new evidence and offering alternative interpretations of major events throughout Chinese Communist Party history. This analysis promotes a better understanding of the CCP’s mechanisms for control over both party members and the general population. This study specifies some of the broader implications for theory and research that can help clarify the nature of Chinese politics and potential future developments in the country’s security and intelligence services.

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AB Corps  Anti-Bolshevik Corps
BGC  Beijing Garrison Command
BPS  Bureau of Public Security
BSPS  Brigade of State Political Security
CCP  Chinese Communist Party
CDIC  Central Discipline Inspection Commission
CEC  Committee for Eliminating Counterrevolutionaries
CGB  Central Guard Bureau
CGO  Central General Office
CGR  Central Guard Regiment (Unit 8341)
CID  Central Investigation Department
CMC  Central Military Commission
CPLC  Central Political and Legal Commission
CPPCC  Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference
CPPSF  Chinese People’s Public Security Forces
CRG  Cultural Revolution Group
CSC  Central Security Commission
CSWC  Central Special Work Commission
DETST  Department of Eliminating Traitors, Spies, and Trotskyites
ERA  Eighth Route Army
GLF  Great Leap Forward
GMD  Chinese Nationalist Party/Guomindang
GPD  PLA General Political Department
GSD  PLA General Staff Department
ID  Central Committee’s Intelligence Department
IRC  Investigation and Research Commission
MPS  Ministry of Public Security
MR  Military Region
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