



general consulate in Chengdu is a serious political incident that has caused repercussions both in China and the world.

The commentary, which was released early Wednesday morning by Xinhua, said the death of Heywood is a "severe criminal case that involves families and close staff of a leader of the Party and the State".

What Bo has done has seriously violated Party discipline, brought loss to the Party and the country, and tarnished the image of the Party and the country, it said.

The resolute decision of the CPC Central Committee to thoroughly investigate and deal with the case, as well as the timely release of relevant information, is a firm endorsement of the socialist rule of law, the commentary added.

Facts show that the Party represents the interests of the people and is supervised by the people, it said.

The Party has zero tolerance of corruption and will investigate all violations of law and discipline, the commentary said.

No citizen stands above the law. Under no circumstances do Party members stand above the law. No one can interfere with the enforcement of justice. People who break the law will not escape the consequences of their actions and will face punishment, according to the commentary.

With facts as the basis and the law as the yardstick, the Wang Lijun incident, the death of British citizen Heywood and serious discipline violations by Bo Xilai will be investigated thoroughly. only by doing this can the public witness the determination of the Party to safeguard Party discipline and the rule of the law, it said.

The commentary said the country should focus on development and strive to maintain the current progress of reform, development and stability to greet the 18th National Congress of the CPC later this year.