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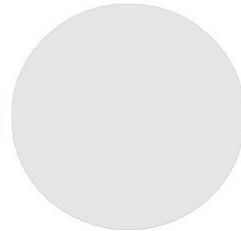
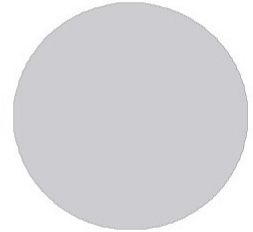
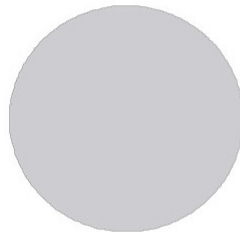
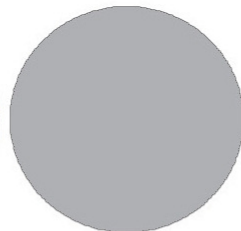
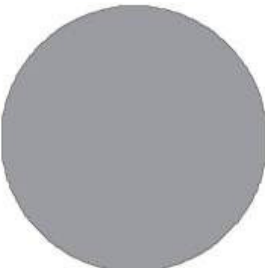


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News and Events from Around the World



Rally Held in San Francisco to Mark 30 Million Withdrawals from the CCP

To celebrate 30 million withdrawals from the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and its affiliated organizations and encourage more Chinese people to denounce the CCP, the Service Center for Quitting the CCP Northern California Branch held a rally in San Francisco. On December 29, participants first gathered at the plaza in front of San Francisco City Hall and then marched to Chinatown via Market Street. In Chinatown, a rally was held at Garden Corner Park.



Marching in Chinatown

Rally hosts Sherry Zhang and Victor said: "We believe that China will have a new start in the coming new year. No one wants to be controlled by the CCP and quitting the CCP has become a trend in China."

On behalf of the Service Center for Quitting the CCP Northern California Branch, Youzhi Ma gave a speech at the rally. He said: "I am very touched to see so many friends come out despite the rain. How come so many Chinese people do not dare to reveal the persecution by the CCP and fear it so much? It is because Chinese people have no freedom. However, the Quitting the CCP Movement has awakened many Chinese people and brought China hope."

At the rally, Sound of Hope commentator Lan Shu said that the CCP suppresses everyone of faith. "The CCP is soon to be destroyed by Heaven, and quitting the CCP ensures that one will not be taken down along with it. Today, more than 30 million Chinese people have quit the CCP and its affiliated organizations," Lan said.

Mr. Guo came from China and ran into the rally by chance. He said: "I read the [*Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*](#) at the end of 2004 and then quit the CCP and all its affiliated organizations through the internet. I think that quitting the CCP is redemption of the soul."

Mr. Guo said that he was slapped in the face by his school director of education for questioning the Tiananmen Square Massacre in 1989 when he was still in high school. "I think everyone should read the *Nine Commentaries*. In China, you can only hear

slanderous words against Falun Gong. However, after coming to the U.S., I realized that Falun Gong is in fact very good and its practitioners are very steadfast in their belief and hold themselves to a high moral standard. China should have freedom of belief."

At the rally, students of the Minghui Chinese Language School gave several performing arts presentations, and Falun Gong practitioners reenacted several torture methods used in the persecution and the CCP's atrocities of harvesting organs from living practitioners. Regarding the reenactment, Sherry Zhang said that the CCP not only gave away territory to neighboring countries, but even sells Chinese people's organs.

Adam Leining also gave a speech at the rally as a San Francisco resident. "Participants of many public rallies come out for personal interests. However, this rally is different. The rally is for China and for the people who are not here. The CCP wants to destroy Chinese culture and has been brutally suppressing Chinese people, so quitting the CCP is the right thing to do," he said, "If you have not quit the CCP, you can do it now using an alias."

Korea: Protesting the CCP's Attempt to Block Divine Performing Arts' Korea Tour

Recently, the Chinese Ambassador in Korea crossed over to the Korean Foreign Trade Ministry and directly pressured KBS TV Station in an attempt to stop them from promoting the upcoming New Year Spectacular presented by Divine Performing Arts Touring Company of New York. This act is seen as "directly interfering with Korean internal affairs" by the Korean people and has caused human rights organizations and people from all walks of life to protest.



Mr. Hong Jung Sik of Hwal Bin Dan, and organizations focusing on poverty and disadvantaged groups

Groups Protest the CCP's Interference with Korean Internal Affairs

The Citizen Human Rights Federation is formed by four human rights organizations: Citizens Opposing Corruption Federation, Hwal Bin Dan, Korean Legislative Reform Citizens' Group and the Democratic Citizens' Union. On January 17, 2008, this Federation delivered a protest statement to Chinese Ambassador Ning Binkui. They strongly requested that the Chinese Embassy stop interfering with the Divine Performing Arts Company in Korea, stop undermining cultural activities in Korea, and stop interfering with Korean internal affairs immediately.

The statement detailed, "If the Chinese Embassy does not stop its infringement upon the sovereignty of Korea, we will initiate a series of anti-CCP (Chinese Communist Party) activities, including collecting petitions on the street. Furthermore, we will openly initiate a worldwide anti-CCP movement on the Internet and condemn its evil deeds... We do not want to be affiliated with the CCP, and the great Korean spirit cannot be insulted."

Citizens Opposing Corruption Federation representative Mr. Yoon Yong expressed, "We must stop the CCP's persecution of artistic activities in the country of Korea. Otherwise, the CCP is digging its own grave."

Mr. Hong Jung Sik of Hwal Bin Dan said, "In the great independent Korea, we cannot ignore such disrespectful behavior. We must stand up to strongly protest it."

Mr. Kang Seok Boon is from Seoul. He said that the renaissance of traditional culture is a great thing. When the Japanese invaded Korea, much of Korea's traditional culture was lost. Therefore, the Korean Culture and Tourism Ministry should largely promote this event. He said that it is not right to let the CCP undermine it.

Regarding the CCP interfering with Korean internal affairs, he said, "If the current government gives in to the CCP for economic benefit, then we are affiliated with the CCP. That is a shame to our people, and we absolutely will not allow it."

In fact, this is not the first time the CCP has tried to suppress the Divine Performing Arts' shows in Korea. On January 6-7, 2007, the NTDTV New Year Spectacular was forced to cancel two shows at the National Seoul Theater due to pressure from the CCP Ambassador. For this, the Korean newspaper *Korea Daily* published an editorial entitled, "Korean Government Servile to China," criticizing the CCP for interfering with Korean internal affairs.

The editorial pointed out that if the Korean government stood firm and displayed in their relationship with China that they "must keep to formalities even for minor things," then China would not interfere with Korea's internal affairs, such as regulating "who is allowed or not allowed to enter," and whether or not "this performance can go on," etc. The Korean government must uphold the banner of freedom, so why would they be willing to be an affiliate country of China?

France: "The Persecution of Falun Gong Must End"

As on previous Sundays, practitioners in Paris exposed the Chinese Communist regime's inhuman persecution of Falun Gong and its practitioners to tourists at Human Rights Square near the Eiffel Tower on the afternoon of January 13, 2008. After learning about the extent and severity of the persecution, some people said, "The Chinese Communist regime's persecution of Falun Gong practitioners must end."



Talking to practitioners and looking at information about the persecution of Falun Gong

Placed on a small table were leaflets and information newspapers in Chinese, French, and many other languages. The two banners reading "Stop the Evil CCP's Persecution of Falun Gong" and "The Things Happening in China....." were erected at an eye-catching spot in the square, while a series of photos exposing the Chinese regime's cruel persecution of Falun Gong practitioners was displayed on the ground. Some practitioners, with leaflets and signature forms in their hands, explained the background of Falun Gong to tourists and collected signatures on a petition condemning the persecution. Over a dozen practitioners of various ages practiced the Falun Gong exercises peacefully despite the wind.

A visitor from Poland said, "Poland once suffered the atrocities of a communist regime until it broke away from communism at the end of 1989. I was then too young to have deeper feelings or experiences in this regard, but through my parents' explanations, I realized that only after we got rid of communism did we really have genuine freedom."

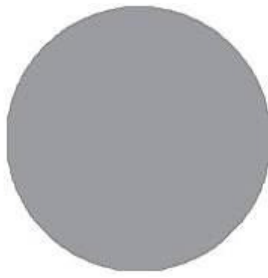
Several Korean teachers came to view the photos, along with a dozen or so Korean students who were there to participate in their Green Camp activities. The teachers signed to support an end to the persecution. Some of the teachers were already aware of Falun Gong before they came to France. When the teachers explained the meaning of the photos to the students and explained the Chinese regime's atrocity of harvesting organs from living practitioners, the students listened attentively. Since Korean leaflets were no longer available, a teacher who didn't know the facts about Falun Gong picked

up the English version. She said that she would tell her students about the information in the pamphlet after reading it.

After seeing practitioners sitting in meditation for a while, a man could not help walking up to the practitioners and having his picture taken with them. Hearing that they could access more information about the truth of Falun Gong, two tourists from China picked up various materials before they left.

When they saw the posters in simplified Chinese characters, two Western experts on China who had studied in China said that the CCP has damaged Chinese culture by simplifying traditional Chinese characters. In response to their inquiries about Falun Gong activities, practitioners told them, "We usually hold activities here every Sunday afternoon. During the New Year, we also participated in a New Year's parade to introduce Falun Gong and display the genuine Chinese traditional culture. Falun Gong itself is rooted in the five-thousand-year-old Chinese culture and its main principles, 'Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance,' are in fact the essence of Chinese culture." These two Westerners said that they would be back to hear more.

Facts of the Persecution



Persecution-Related Deaths of 150 Falun Gong Practitioners Verified in 2007

The deaths of 150 Falun Gong practitioners as a result of persecution were verified through non-governmental channels in 2007, and 123 of those deaths took place in 2007. Among them, women practitioners and practitioners over the age of 50 each accounted for 53.3 percent of the cases. During the eight-and-a-half years of persecution between July 20, 1999, and December 31, 2007, by the Chinese Communist regime, a total of 3,121 Falun Gong practitioners' deaths have been verified.

This represents a very small percentage of what is really happening in this brutal persecution. A much larger number of practitioners are missing, and some have had their organs harvested for profit while still alive and their corpses incinerated. These crimes are covered up by tight restrictions on information and the Communist regime's best efforts to hide the facts.

The Beijing Olympics are only one year away. The Communist regime has not implemented its promise of improving human rights. Instead, it has launched another intensive wave of persecution in the name of preparing for the Olympics.

Former Public Security Minister Zhou Yongkang initiated a new round of persecution against Falun Gong beginning in March 2007. Falun Gong practitioners were arrested in droves. Some were detained or sentenced to prison. Some practitioners were abused until they became disabled and even died. Some are missing and their whereabouts remain unknown. Many practitioners were forced to put on black headgear when they were arrested. In some cases, the organizations making the arrests refused to inform the families of the arrested practitioners, denied visitation, and even denied the existence of the arrests.

On October 15, 2007, the European Union and China were scheduled to hold a human rights dialog. Prior to the meeting, Vice President of the European Parliament Mr. Edward McMillan-Scott sent a letter to Speaker of the European Parliament Hans-Gert Poettering. In the letter, he mentioned that in the report about torture in China written by the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture Mr. Manfred Nowak, two thirds of those detained by the regime are Falun Gong practitioners. Human rights attorney Gao Zhisheng concluded that about 250,000 practitioners are still being detained.

Over the past few years, police officers from the Jilin City Detention Center and Police Dog Training Base in Jilin Province have used electric shock, beatings, and mustard oil to torture practitioners. In addition, they recently began to put hot pepper powder into plastic bags and then cover the heads of the practitioners with the bags. Ms. Mu Ping was force-fed with mustard oil and her throat was severely injured. Doctors then operated on her without using anesthetics. One of her arms was severely injured during

a beating. The officers pushed bamboo sticks into the tips of her fingers and toes, between the skin and the nails. Her face, hands and feet were blistered from the electric shock. In spite of this, the police still violently force-fed her.

The deaths of eleven practitioners were verified in December 2007. Among them were five women and seven practitioners over the age of 50.

The eleven deaths took place in ten provinces and municipalities. There were two cases in Sichuan Province, and one each in Liaoning Province, Heilongjiang Province, Hebei Province, Jilin Province, Hunan Province, Hubei Province, Chongqing City, Zhejiang Province, and Anhui Province.

CCP Agents Detain and Threaten Mr. Cao Dong's Wife to Stop Him from Defending Himself

Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Cao Dong is one of the practitioners that met with the European Parliament Vice-President to expose the persecution on May 21, 2006. He is now suffering brutal persecution by the Chinese Communist Party while in jail and requested his wife hire a lawyer for him. The CCP is trying to stop this from happening and trying to prevent him from contacting international media by intimidating his wife.

On December 27, 2007, Ms. Yang Xiaojing went to pay rent to the Zhaojialou Neighborhood Administration. Policeman Liu Tao from the Jianguomen Station and several plainclothes police officers followed her home and said that she needed to go to the police station with them. Ms. Yang refused, but they forcibly dragged her downstairs, shoved her into their vehicle, took her to a small hotel located in the Liuliqiao area in Beijing, and then threatened and interrogated her.

Chief Liu of Dongcheng District Police Department told her that he knew about Mr. Cao Dong. He shouted at her, "I have dealt with Falun Gong for more than ten years, and never received any karmic retribution or had lightning strike me!" They asked if Ms. Yang was hiring a lawyer to defend Mr. Cao and threatened her not to do so. They had no excuse to hold her further and released her in the morning. However, on that same night, policeman Liu Tao led a group of State Security agents to ransack her home. This was the second time she was severely harassed after starting to look for a lawyer to represent her husband. In September 2007, police ransacked her home under a supposed tip about her hiding a copy of the [*Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*](#), but came up empty.

At the end of 2007, Ms. Yang Xiaojing had just been released from detention, but could not go home. She was running back and forth in the cold winter, trying to rescue her husband from illegal detention. After the New Year, she could not go home once again because Liu Tao took away her key, and the State Security agents were watching her closely. Under tremendous pressure, she was forced to leave home.

The European Parliament is calling to rescue Mr. Cao Dong, although the Chinese government says that his arrest has nothing to do with his meeting with European Parliament Vice-President Edward McMillan-Scott. Chinese officials say that Mr. Cao had an "attitude problem."

Mr. Wu Jiuping Thrown from the Fourth Floor by Police and died in Hospital

Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Wu Jiuping previously worked for the People's Hospital in Tianchang City, Anhui Province. On November 22, four policemen and Chinese Communist Party (CCP) personnel went to Wu Jiuping's apartment and beat him until he was seriously injured and lost consciousness. In order to cover up their crime, the police officers threw him from the fourth floor of his building and then left. Mr. Wu died at about 8:00 pm that night after he was taken to People's Hospital.

It was very obvious that the majority of bruises on Mr. Wu's body were from the beating, and not from the fall. According to a witness, after Wu Jiuping was taken to the hospital, a doctor examined him and found that he had bruises from being beaten. He was completely black and blue from the backs of both of his legs to his waist, up over his back and shoulders. His left arm and left leg were broken, his left thighbone was broken into pieces, his face had very serious injuries, his left eyeball was ruptured, his entire face was black and blue, and he had a wound from a heavy club. Mr. Wu's whole body was bloody and the white clothing he had on was all red. (Wu Jiuping was a People's Hospital medical lab technician. He was wearing his hospital uniform at the time.)

After this event, CCP personnel blockaded the hospital and the funeral home. The relevant departments in the hospital stopped running business as usual. The hospital personnel talked with the individual doctors involved and ordered them to answer questions about Mr. Wu's death in a unified answer, claiming that he committed suicide by jumping. They also followed Mr. Wu's fiancée (a People's Hospital nurse) all day to persuade her to state that Wu Jiuping committed suicide. The CCP regime from Tianchang City, the police, and the [610 Office](#) all exerted pressure on businesses that have Falun Gong practitioners as employees. They threatened other Falun Gong practitioners and people who previously practiced Falun Gong, telling them, "Don't make any noise," or "Don't try to take care of it," as otherwise they "would have to take all the responsibilities themselves."

At about 4:00 p.m. on November 22, 2007, Cong Sichao, the head of the 610 Office, along with two policemen and the hospital's public security section head Xia Wenshi, went to Wu Jiuping's house to harass him. The bruises on Wu Jiuping's body showed that the policemen had beaten Wu Jiuping to the edge of death, then threw him out of the window, then tried to falsely claim that Mr. Wu committed suicide.

The noise from Mr. Wu's fall was heard by a witness downstairs. The witness shouted to ask someone to come rescue Mr. Wu. But the four people did not come to help him, instead they left the scene silently. Wu Jiuping lost consciousness after he was thrown to the ground, but after a while moved a bit. Not long after this an ambulance from the

People's Hospital, with only one person on board, arrived and the person got out of the ambulance and carried Wu Jiuping to the ambulance. He claimed that he would take Mr. Wu to the hospital for treatment.

After he arrived at the hospital, according to an insider, Wu Jiuping could talk, and had a clear mind. After he was put on an IV, he started to ramble incoherently and later he could no longer talk. Wu Jiuping passed away about 8:00 p.m. that night. It was reported that Wu Jiuping's body was taken to the morgue, and it is not clear whether his body was secretly cremated or not.

Mr. Wu Jiuping, about 30 years old, was a medical lab technician in Tianchang City People's Hospital. People who knew him said that he was a good and talented person.

He had been persecuted many times by the CCP, only because he was a Falun Gong cultivator. From 1999 to 2002, he had been [illegally detained](#) and then sent to a forced labor camp for two years. In 2003, he went to a village near his hometown to [clarify the truth](#), and someone there reported him. Because that area was under the jurisdiction of Xianggou Village, Yizheng City, Jiangsu Province, he was persecuted by the Yizheng 610 Office and was illegally given a four-year sentence. During the detention period, Wu Jiuping was subjected to all kinds of tortures. He was forced to agree to be a so-called "inside hint," or a spy, and for that he was released one year ahead of time. It was a so-called "probation." The CCP personnel told him that his sentence term would expire in October 2007. After he went back to work at the hospital, the 610 Office personnel, the police, and the security department of the hospital closely monitored and harassed him.

After he came back home from the prison, Wu Jiuping immediately published a solemn statement stating that anything he said or did against Falun Gong was a result of intense pressure and persecution, and he resumed his cultivation in Falun Gong. But Yizheng 610 Office policemen, the Tianchang 610 Office and hospital personnel often harassed him, exerted pressure and threatened his parents.

Later, they tried to persuade Mr. Wu to go abroad as a spy. They told him that he was young, had knowledge, and they wanted him to go abroad to destroy Falun Gong and Falun Gong activities. If he did well, they said he would enjoy many benefits after he returned home from abroad. They would take care of all his expenses. If he did not do well, he would have to take care of all the expenses. If he did not come back to China, his parents would have to take care of the expenses. They told him he would have to be trained for six months to be such a spy. Wu Jiuping rejected the offer. The CCP organized people to try to persuade him many times but were unsuccessful. He was then often persecuted arbitrarily.

Mr. Zhang Minghui Recently Arrested, His Wife and Baby Forced into Homelessness

On January 25, policemen from the Domestic Security Team of Jidong County Police Department, Heilongjiang Province, burst into the home of Mr. Zhang Minghui. Disregarding the safety of the older people and a baby, who was just a couple of months old, they grabbed personal property and took Mr. Zhang away to the police station.

Mr. Zhang Minghui, 36 years old, was a middle school teacher from Yonghe Town, Jidong County. He started practicing Falun Gong in 1995.

On January 25, 2008, at about 7:00 a.m., National Security Team personnel from Jidong County Police Department and other police officers went to the home of a practitioner with the last name Mu. They were unable to arrest Mu, so they instead went to Zhang Minghui's house and knocked on his back door. Mr. Zhang's mother opened the door to four men. They identified themselves as police officers and claimed, "We want information about Falun Gong from Zhang Minghui."

After they saw Mr. Zhang in the home, they said to him, "Hand over your Falun Gong materials."

He [clarified the truth](#) to them, but the police once again demanded that he hand over any Falun Gong materials. One policeman twisted Mr. Zhang's arm and the other two pushed him to the ground and handcuffed him. Mr. Zhang's wife saw her husband being humiliated and beaten by the police and tried to help him, but the police officers stopped her. His wife shouted for help and their sister-in-law, who lived in the same area, soon arrived. The policemen ordered her to take the baby away.

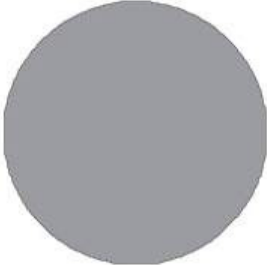
Zhang Minghui's wife saw the police handcuff her husband and then they turned on her. She tried to protect herself but she was pushed down to the floor, dragged to the kitchen, and badly beaten. The policemen made phone calls 20 minutes later, and more than ten policemen arrived. They slapped Mr. Zhang's wife, making her lips bleed.

After that, the policemen jimmied the window of the bedroom and searched the room. They took away the following items: two copies of [Zhuan Falun](#) and three other Falun Gong books, a VCD player, a laminator, a binding machine, a paper-cutting machine, two notebook computers, one desktop computer, three ink cartridges, four cell phones (Mr. Zhang had fixed them for somebody else), some printing paper, over 100 spring couplets, a tool bag that contained over 100 DVDs, a bank savings card that had 4,500 [yuan](#) that Zhang Minghui's sister had left in his house, and other goods.

The police took Zhang Minghui to the National Security Team of the county police department and cruelly tortured him. The next day, somebody saw that Mr. Zhang hands were so swollen due to the torture that he could not tie his pants up.

On January 26, as a result of police threats and harassment, Zhang Minghui's wife and her eight-month-old son left home and became homeless.

People Awaken to the Truth



Confession and Apology from a Criminal Inmate Who Persecuted Falun Gong Practitioners in Forced Labor Camp

In 2004 I was convicted of disorderly conduct as a result of being under the influence of alcohol and was sentenced to two years of forced-labor. On September 25, 2004, I was taken to Suihua Forced Labor Camp in Heilongjiang Province.

On March 17, 2006, I was assigned to the Second Group. I felt wronged. Long Kuibin, head of the group, had a talk with me and told me that I was the squadron leader of the Second Group, which was a "(persecuting) Falun Gong Group," and that I would be in charge of watching Falun Gong practitioners. He said that this assignment could earn me a reduced sentence. I believed him, and that same day, I picked up a group of 15 practitioners from Hegang. Half of them, including Sun Dechang and Shen Weijiang, were put in my squadron, the Second Squadron in the Second Group.

During the security check, I found three printed copies Lectures Four, Five, and Six of [Zhuan Falun](#). I turned them in to the group leader. Then I started to spray these practitioners with a hose. Diao Xuesong, the assistant group leader, told me to be violent with Shen Weijiang, and I battered Shen without thinking.

On March 25, I took charge of another group of practitioners from Daqing City. I took full charge of Mr. Li Yequan, a practitioner who held a hunger strike and was labeled for stricter management. I treated him very badly. I battered and vituperated him. I remember that on April 25, Diao Xuesong, the assistant group leader, came to the strict management team and asked Mr. Li Yequan, "Do you know what day today is?" Mr. Li said no. Diao Xuesong said that it was April 25, the day when Falun Gong practitioners went to Beijing to appeal. When Mr. Li replied that the persecution was unjust, Diao immediately slapped him 21 times and struck him twice with his fist. Before leaving, Diao told Mr. Li to think it over.

A day later, Chen Xinlong, leader of the First Squadron in the Second Group, also came to the strict management team and asked Li Yequan what day yesterday was. Mr. Li did not answer and was beaten again.

After a few days, Gao Zhonghai, director of the Second Group, came to the strict management team and asked Li Yequan whether he would stop his hunger strike. Mr. Li said "I will if you release me. Otherwise I will not." Gao Zhonghai left. In less than ten minutes, Gao Zhonghai returned with an electric baton and shocked Mr. Li's feet for a long time. Zeng Lingjun, leader of the First Squadron, also burned Li Yequan's left middle finger with a lit cigarette. After these brutes had had enough of shocking and burning, they called Dr. Wang and the head of the camp clinic to examine Mr. Li. The medical personnel claimed that Li Yequan was fine. Li Yequan continued his hunger

strike in protest. On July 12, the forced labor camp administrators secretly asked Li Yequan's family to take him home. Mr. Li Yequan was released unconditionally.

In Suihua Forced Labor Camp, I witnessed the entire procedure by which Falun Gong practitioners were tortured by guards and criminal inmates who didn't understand the truth. I also assaulted and verbally abused practitioners Shen Weijiang, Li Yequan, and others. Out of ignorance, I committed crimes against Dafa and participated in persecuting practitioners. Now I want to do something to make up for these crimes and to expose the real inside facts of the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in the evil Suihua Forced Labor Camp.

In my interactions with Falun Gong practitioners, they impressed me greatly. I felt that they were all good and innocent people, unjustly persecuted by the Chinese Communist Party. In the beginning, I did not believe that the widely publicized "Tiananmen Self Immolation" was a party hoax staged against Falun Gong. Later in the camp, as I watched the videos used to try to "[transform](#)" practitioners, I realized that the "Tiananmen Self Immolation" was faked--it was acted out as if on a stage. I remember that on July 10, 2006, Ma Dacheng, a criminal inmate from Lanxi, tortured practitioner Zhang Zhilin. Practitioners in all the dorms stepped out to condemn the torture. Ma Dacheng's accomplice, criminal inmate Li Qiang, also beat Zhang Zhilin. Afterwards, most of the practitioners stepped forward and demanded that Ma Dacheng be brought to justice.

Before that, Ma Dacheng had already bribed Long Kuibin, a head of the group; Diao Xuesong, the assistant leader of the squadron; Zheng Youliang, a head of the group; Director Gao Zhonghai; and others. Later, the group and the squadron perfunctorily penalized Ma Dacheng, even though Ma continued to work for the group and the squadron by persecuting Falun Gong practitioners, and he kept drinking alcohol in large quantities. These illegal acts were all condoned by the camp authorities.

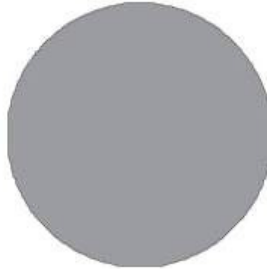
At about 6:00 p.m. on July 11, 2006, the day after Ma Dacheng beat practitioner Zhang Zhilin, the guards of the Second Group in the camp launched another round of persecution. About ten practitioners, including Liu Guozhi, Zhang Bin, and Peng Jianfu, were taken out of the big shed and tortured individually. Liu Guozhi's head bled from repeated blows during the beatings. Peng Jianpu, who is over 60 years old, was beaten so severely that he could not walk afterwards. Some of these practitioners were then put into solitary confinement and had not been released before I left.

These accounts are but a few isolated examples in just one Chinese Communist forced-labor camp, a black den where practitioners are relentlessly ill-treated. I witnessed these brutalities in person. Many other incidents that I was not aware of occurred in other squadrons. The CCP is the true villain. It persecutes kind and innocent Falun Gong practitioners, who spread the truth. All the heavens condemn this persecution. I was

also victimized by the Communist Party. I lost all of my fortune, and my family was shattered. Having set into motion this gigantic crime, the party is still disguising the truth, deluding the people, and persecuting Falun Gong practitioners, using the pretext of the Seventeenth National People's Congress and the Olympic Games.

I want to take this chance to express my sincere apologies to all Falun Gong practitioners that I hurt and extend my deep regret for my crimes. I also want to advise those prison and labor camp guards that are still working hard for the Communist Party to turn away from their path toward doom, to turn away from their evil ways, and to understand the heavenly signs of our time. Follow, instead, the path of goodness, and choose a bright future for yourselves and your families.

Voice of Justice



New York: More than 70 Government Officials Congratulate the Premiere of the Chinese New Year Splendor

The 2008 New Tang Dynasty Television (NTDTV) Chinese New Year Splendor will be performed at Radio City Music Hall in Manhattan, New York on January 30. The Divine Performing Arts New York Company and the Divine Performing Arts Touring Company will jointly present a grand show at Radio City Music Hall--Capital of the Art World.

New York government officials of different levels sent congratulatory letters and proclamations through NTDTV to extend their Chinese New Year greetings to all Chinese around the world, and wish the Divine Performing Arts great success in its performances at Radio City Music Hall in New York. More than 70 Congressmen and Congresswomen, State Assemblymen and City Councilors sent congratulatory letters and proclamations to NTDTV and Divine Performing Arts.

The government officials included Ms. Jodi Rell, Governor of the State of Connecticut, Congressman Ed Towns of the 10th District of New York State, Congressman Charles Rangel, of the 15th District, Congresswoman Nita Lowey of District 18, Congressman Vito J. Fossella of the 13th District, Congressman Michael R. McNulty of the 21st District, Lieutenant Governor of New York State David Paterson, Albany County District Attorney David Soares, New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli, several more New York State senators and representatives, New York City Councilor Christine Quinn and several more city councilors. They especially commended NTDTV and Divine Performing Arts for promoting authentic Chinese culture, and presenting pure Chinese culture, bringing the audience an outstanding experience, and providing a colorful stage for the cross-cultural exchange between the Eastern and Western societies.

The Governor of Connecticut, Ms. Jodi Rell, extended her warm greetings to the viewers of NTDTV. She commended all of the participants and performers in the 2008 Chinese New Year Splendor, and said the show "reaffirms the beauty and importance of traditional values and Chinese cultural heritage as an integral part of American multicultural society." Ms. Jodi Rell thanked NTDTV for striving to "provide the opportunity for a greater understanding between Western and Eastern societies."

Congressman Ed Towns of Brooklyn, New York State stated, "The Chinese New Year is a time of renewal, of hopefulness for happiness and prosperity in the year to come. This year is predicted to be an exciting year full of new beginnings." "This World Class Chinese Show with classical dance, powerful music and breathtaking backdrops depicting the epic tales that will take you far beyond entertainment." "The Divine Performing Arts Company is to be congratulated for the great job they have done in

bringing traditional culture and arts to the world that celebrates human dignity and positive values." He said that the show itself "is a great accomplishment."

Mr. Ed Towns also congratulated NTDTV on "launching local broadcast that cover NY/NJ/PA, reaching over 5 million viewers. That is a great accomplishment. That is the kind of progress that gives us hope for great change."

Congressman Vito Fossella of Staten Island, New York stated that he knew that every year, people look forward to attending NTDTV's Chinese New Year Splendor at the Radio City Music Hall. The Divine Performing Arts brings authentic Chinese culture to the world through their performances, just as the Chinese community in this country brings us traditional Chinese culture, all this we should be proud of.

Congresswoman Nita Lowey of the Westchester District in New York thanked NTDTV for its efforts and contributions to fostering cultural diversity and peace and universal love in society. She wished everybody a Happy New Year!

Congressman Charles Rangel stated that he hoped that he could, as everybody else, sit at the Radio City Music Hall in Manhattan to appreciate the Divine Performing Arts' performance. But he is a Congressman, and has to stay in Washington DC, making legislation for the country. He hoped everybody would have a happy New Year, and enjoy this perfect performance.

***California: Human Rights Commission of the City of San Jose Passes
Resolution Supporting Human Rights Torch Relay***

On November 15, 2007, the San Jose Human Rights Commission passed the following resolution to support the aims and intentions of the Human Rights Torch Relay and invited citizens to support this effort, and help stop human rights violations in China.

City of San Jose
Human Rights Commission

Human Rights Torch Relay Resolution

Whereas, The Chinese communist regime has been granted the honor of hosting the 2008 Beijing Olympics with the provision that it improve its treatment of Chinese citizens; and

Whereas, Human rights violations have increased since this honor was granted;

Whereas, The Chinese regime imprisons millions of Falun Gong practitioners, democracy advocates, Christians, labor organizers and other innocent citizens in slave labor camps without trial;

Whereas, The Chinese regime illegally harvests organs for sale without consent from these prisoners of conscience;

Whereas, The Chinese regime continues to attempt to erase the cultures of Tibetans and Muslim Uighurs;

Whereas, The Chinese regime forces women to get abortions, even in the third trimester of pregnancy, to enforce the "Once Child per Family" rule;

Whereas, The Chinese regime is guilty of murdering more of its citizens than Hitler, Stalin, and Pol Pot combined;

Whereas, The Olympic Charter calls for the Games to represent "respect for universal fundamental ethical principles ... the harmonious development of man, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity ...Any form of discrimination with regard to a country or a person on grounds of race, religion, politics, gender or otherwise is incompatible with belonging to the Olympic Movement"; and

Whereas, The CIPFG Human Torch Relay is dedicated to righting these wrongs, ending human rights abuses in China, and preserving the Olympic spirit;

Now, Therefore, San Jose Human Rights Commission hereby supports the aims and intentions of the

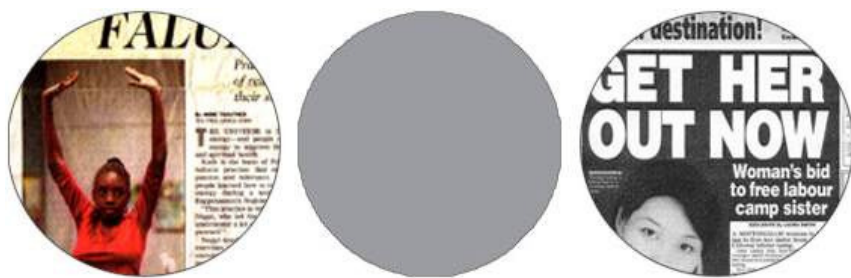
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and invite all of our citizens to support this effort, and help stop human rights violations in China.

Date: November 15, 2007



Media Reports and Opinions



Israel National News Reports on Prominent Rabbi Taking Stand Against CCP Organ Harvesting Crimes

A January 29 article published by *Israel National News* reported that Rabbi David Druckman, the Chief Rabbi of the northern city of Kiryat Motzkin, issued a recorded statement saying that the Jewish people "must take the lead in condemning China for its murder of prisoners of conscience in order to harvest their organs."

"The atrocity is so great,' Rabbi Druckman says on a recently released video, 'that there are simply no words to express it. From a certain standpoint it is even worse than what the Nazis did... to cut organs from people under the cover of medical help for other people is simply astonishing and shocking from every human vantage point.'"

'It is especially incumbent upon us as Jews to lead the campaign that expresses total disgust at this phenomenon,' Rabbi Druckman says. 'Especially us, the Jewish Nation, that suffered the crimes of the Nazis, may their names be blotted out, and those of the Communists under Stalin - who can stand by and comprehend the world's silence at all this?'

The article reports that over 220 Israeli rabbis, academics and politicians signed a petition calling for an end to the atrocities taking place in China.

The article discusses the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) brutal treatment of its thousands of political prisoners in China and focuses on the persecution of Falun Gong, including the CCP's crime of organ harvesting from living practitioners in order to obtain organs for sale for organ transplants.

Also mentioned is the Human Rights Torch Relay initiated by the Coalition to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong (CIPFG): "The CIPFG - Coalition to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong in China - has begun a campaign against holding the 2008 Olympics in China. 'It will be a stain on the history of the Olympic Games and a disgrace to mankind if these games and these crimes against humanity are held at the same time in China,' the organization states."

A considerable portion of Rabbi Druckman's speech is reprinted in the article:

"In the video-taped speech, Rabbi Druckman says that one of the seven Noachide commandments that the Jews are bidden to disseminate in the world is not to murder: 'We as Jews must therefore stand at the front lines of this war, and employ every possible tactic in order that the world expunge atrocities such as this.'

"When there is evil in the world,' he continues, 'every person with a human conscience, and every person with intelligence, must protest against it...'

"We have to get our outraged objections, as people and as Jews, out to the world in every way possible... In this age of media, there are many methods, such as the torch passing through the countries of the world and will soon get to our region as well, ending with a giant rally here in Israel [on Feb. 18 - ed.]. It is obvious that we all support this initiative and welcome it. We must also do whatever will result in a sharp condemnation of these animals that are doing these things in China. This will help raise the standard of the entire human race in the world, and the more the world improves and becomes more gentle, this will bring us closer to the Redemption and the arrival of the Just Redeemer.'

"I believe that behind the description we carry of 'religious people' there is also real content - not just outer covering, but a genuine way of looking at the world... Certainly this is so in the Jewish faith, whose teachings about ethics and kindness have no rivals... Certainly one who sees himself as a religious person, not just in title but in essence, must join up with activities of this type.'"

Vlothoer-Anzeiger Gazette (Germany) Reports on the Persecution of Falun Gong

By Meiko Haselhorst

It appears to be harmonious and peaceful when Zhongbo Wang and his friends are practicing Falun Gong exercises in the park. Yet, the Chinese regime is mortally afraid of this. Since 1999, it persecutes and murders practitioners of this meditation movement.

He is a cook in a restaurant. His short-term German work permit is going to expire soon. Therefore, he applied for asylum without success. "I arrived in Germany about six years ago to earn money for my family," explained the thirty six year old. "I found a job as a cook with the help of an agency, everything was legal."

This Chinese man worked relentlessly. After two years his shoulder and neck suffered from stress and the pain was unbearable, said Wang. The doctor couldn't help me. There was nothing that made me feel better," said Wang. At that time he thought of his father. He also had practiced the exercises of Falun Gong to escape from the pain many years ago. He explained that at that time Falun Gong was not banned yet.

Wang joined a Falun Gong group. After practicing for a while the pain lessened more and more. After some time, Wang also began to take an interest in the moral and ethical side the practice espouses.

Practitioners live by the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance. At the same time he met his friend Zhen, who already practiced Falun Gong and was imprisoned in a slave labor camp for not renouncing this practice. He suffered torture and has to live now with a chronic hip injury and can't walk without crutches.

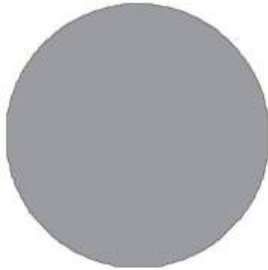
Zhongbo Wang was shocked. He began to take part in information activities and severely criticized the uncountable human rights violations perpetrated in his homeland. Then, he committed a tactical error, "I wrote to my wife and daughter about four times letters about practicing Falun Gong," said Wang. It clearly shows that he is contrite about this and appears to regret his actions even today. "My family never received these letters. The Chinese post office opened the letters and kept them," said Wang.

The family man is certain that the regime is just waiting to get him into their clutches. He was quite frightened and therefore applied with a heavy heart for asylum in 2004.

Also, it would be almost like a permanent separation from his family if Wang remains in Germany. As of now, Zhongbo Wang does not know what the future holds for him.

His asylum request was denied. Wang is appealing and the administrative tribunal of Minden will decide if Wang has to return to China

Falun Gong Practitioners' Personal Experiences



New Practitioner: Turning Misfortune Into a Good Fortune

By a Falun Gong practitioner in China

I began to practice Falun Gong cultivation in May, 2005. At that time, I could not walk because my bones had been fractured in a car accident. A fellow practitioner encouraged me to learn the practice and [clarified the truth](#) to me. I had an anxious desire to learn Falun Gong and wanted to read the related books. Until the government began persecuting Falun Gong in 1999, I had never heard of it or seen it. Only then did I come to know Falun Gong. Every time that I saw someone post "Falun Gong is good," I felt that Falun Gong must benefit people. Otherwise, why would people persist in practicing Falun Gong under the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) government's terrible persecution?!

After listening to the fellow practitioner's words, I expected the fellow practitioner to bring the book [Zhuan Falun](#) the next day. After several days, the fellow practitioner brought the book. I read the entire book non-stop, from 7:00 a.m. until close to 8:00 p.m. After I finished reading, I felt that the book teaches us to be good people. Many principles in the book, which I did not understand before, help people become generous and open-minded after reading the book.

Why did the CCP not allow people to read such a good book? I soon read the book a second time. After reading, I wanted to learn Falun Gong. When the fellow practitioner visited me, I asked about the practice. Very quickly, the fellow practitioner got a music tape for my practice, and I did the exercises that day on the bed.

The fellow practitioner also brought Master's other lectures to me. I eagerly emerged myself in Master's Law every day. My mood was light and spacious and my fractured leg did not hurt. It was true for me that once I finished this book I wanted to read another. Thus, I almost read all of Master's lectures at one time.

As the saying goes, it takes 100 days for fractures to heal, and I was already over fifty years old. Three steel pins had been inserted to hold the fractured bones together. After only two months of practicing Falun Gong, I had the three steel pins taken out and walked upstairs and downstairs. Dafa is so amazing, and is such a blessing. I got good fortune because of misfortune. If it were not for the traffic accident, I possibly would have learned another practice. So far, I have already practiced Falun Gong for more than two years. I do not take any medicine or have any diseases. The rhinitis, arthritis, lumbago (e.g., convulsions) and other diseases that I had prior to beginning the practice seemed to just disappear. Falun Gong's goodness has been known to everyday people. It is inconceivable for the CCP to not allow people to practice such a good qigong. However, determining who is righteous and who is evil is obvious!

Glossary

Falun Gong (also called **Falun Dafa**) is an ancient form of *qigong*; the practice of refining the body and mind through special exercises and meditation. Like *tai chi*, *qigong* is a vital part of many people's lives in Asia; almost every Chinese park is brimming by the break of dawn with people practicing these arts.

Only a few years after its public introduction in 1992, Falun Dafa quickly grew to become the most popular form of *qigong* ever in Chinese history. The major reason for this is that Falun Dafa distinguishes itself from other *qigong* practices by emphasizing not only physical cultivation, but also cultivation of one's moral character in daily life according to higher principles taught by Mr. Li Hongzhi, Falun Dafa's founder. The practice involves slow, gentle movements and meditation. It is easy to learn, enjoyable to practice, and free of charge. Its principles are based on Truth, Compassion, and Tolerance. Falun Gong is practiced by over 100 million people in 60 countries. The main works of Falun Gong are available in over 30 languages.

Zhuan Falun: This book comprises the principal teachings of Falun Dafa.

"April 25": This refers to the "sensitive" anniversary of April 25, 1999, on which date ten thousand Falun Gong practitioners peacefully gathered outside the Zhongnanhai compound (China's central government building) and successfully appealed for the release of forty-five practitioners who had been illegally arrested in Tianjin City.

Clarifying the Truth: Because of the persecution in China and the unrelenting hate campaign carried out by China's state-controlled media, Falun Gong practitioners have been actively "clarifying the truth" -- explaining to the public the facts about Falun Gong and exposing the persecution. Truth clarification activities include face-to-face conversations with people, posting notices and posters, handing out flyers, and hanging banners. Outside of China, where Falun Gong is freely practiced, practitioners further expose the persecution through anti-torture reenactments, art exhibits, Internet websites, books, magazines, newspapers, movies and letter writing. The goal of clarifying the truth is to help people understand Falun Gong, to dispel the lies of the communist regime in China and to raise public support to end the persecution. (Variations: "clarifying the truth", "truth clarifying", "truth-clarifying", "truth clarification", "truth-clarification", "clarifying the facts", "clarified the truth", and "clarified the facts")

Death Bed torture: A practitioner is tied to a bed with his hands handcuffed above his head to the bed rails, and his legs tied with thin nylon ropes. The rope is then tightly

wrapped around the practitioner's body and the bed, from his legs to his chest. The rope is wrapped so tightly that the practitioner has difficulty breathing and eventually loses consciousness.

The 610 Office is an agency specifically created to persecute Falun Gong, with absolute power over each level of administration in the Party and all other political and judiciary systems. It was established on June 10th hence it's name.

Illegally arrested: Contrary to what former Chinese leader Jiang Zemin, who initiated the persecution, and the Chinese Communist Party would like the world to believe, practicing Falun Gong is NOT illegal in China. Although the Public Security Department issued an unconstitutional set of restraints on the practice at the onset of the persecution in 1999, no laws have been passed by the only legislative body in China, the People's Congress, banning Falun Gong or granting the police the authority to arrest Falun Gong practitioners for practicing the exercises or distributing flyers.

Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party is a series of essays published in late 2004 that reveal the true nature of the Communist Party. The *Nine Commentaries* have led millions of people to renounce their membership in the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). It is "A book that has shocked all Chinese around the world. A book that is disintegrating the Communist Party." (<http://ninecommentaries.com>)

"Reform or Transform": Implementation of brainwashing and torture in order to force a practitioner to renounce Falun Gong. (Variations: "**reform**", "**transform**", "**reformed**", "**reforming**", "**transformed**", "**transforming**", and "**transformation**")

Three Statements: Practitioners are coerced under brainwashing and torture to write a "Repentance Statement," "Guarantee Statement" or "Dissociation Statement" as proof that they have given up their belief. In the statement, the practitioner is forced to admit remorse for practicing Falun Gong, promise to give up Falun Gong, and never again associate with other practitioners or go to Beijing to appeal for Falun Gong.

Collaborators: Former practitioners who have turned against Falun Gong under brainwashing and torture. They are then made to assist in brainwashing and torturing practitioners.

Sensitive Dates: National holidays or political meetings, or dates that hold significance to Falun Dafa; the authorities are afraid that practitioners will publicly appeal on these dates.

Yuan is the Chinese currency; 500 yuan is equal to the average monthly income of an urban worker in China.