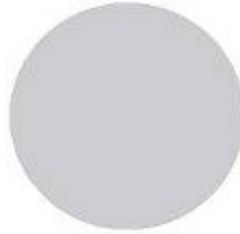


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## News and Events from Around the World



## ***2005 New York Falun Dafa Conference Cultivation Experience Sharing Conference is Held in Manhattan***

On April 24, 2005, the New York International Falun Dafa Cultivation Experience Sharing Conference was held at the Sheraton New York Hotel in Manhattan. About 4,000 Falun Dafa practitioners from around the world attended the conference. More than 10 practitioners shared their cultivation experiences.



Around 4 p.m., Master Li came in person to the conference hall and gave a lecture for about 30 minutes.

After the lecture, Master went to several sub-conference rooms to see practitioners and told practitioners once again that the future is bright and practitioners should cultivate themselves well.



About 4,000 Dafa practitioners from around the world attend the conference

The practitioners' sharing topics included the anti-torture exhibit sites in Manhattan, the lawsuit against Jiang filed in Japan, computer technical support in Taiwan, and the wide spread of Falun Dafa in eastern Africa.

From the end of last August to the present, group after group of practitioners gave up their comfortable family lives and overcame all kinds of difficulties to come to Manhattan, New York. Through the hot summer and the cold winter, they performed live re-enactments of torture methods used against fellow practitioners in China in order to expose the persecution and save the world's people. Practitioners from Taiwan talked about how they overcame the language barrier and environmental differences, and adapted to new cultural customs to come to Manhattan.

A practitioner shared her experiences as a coordinator of an anti-torture exhibit site, how she looked inward whenever she encountered conflict and shared understandings with fellow practitioners so as to prevent the evil from taking advantage of practitioners' loopholes.

Two western practitioners talked about how they utilized the opportunities provided by their work environment to clarify the truth with wisdom to employees and managers of their bank and corporation. They also talked about how they corrected where they fell short in their cultivation and did better in their daily work and lives.

A practitioner from Japan introduced how Japanese practitioners worked with assistance from a Taiwanese practitioner who is a lawyer to clarify the truth to the Japanese legal community. They found an attorney who was willing to help them without charge and filed a lawsuit against the chief perpetrator, Jiang, and his accomplices in a civil court in Japan. This lawsuit was widely reported by major Japanese media.

A practitioner from Australia shared her moving experience of going to East Africa to spread Falun Dafa. In an African country that has a close trade relationship with the Chinese communist regime, two local people quickly recovered from severe illnesses through practicing Falun Gong for about two to three weeks.

Another practitioner shared her state of mind as a cultivator as she negotiated with business people, and how she took truth-clarification and saving sentient beings as the first priority when she was doing her work.

A practitioner shared her experience of how she widely exchanged understandings with fellow practitioners and whole-heartedly supported practitioners with her righteous thoughts and righteous actions when confronting major issues. With the thought of saving sentient beings in mind at all times, practitioners were able to calmly and unhurriedly handle everything well and achieve positive results, even though the time was tight and they were under great pressure.

A new practitioner talked about how he naturally quit taking drugs and left behind his other negative behavior after he started cultivating Falun Dafa. He once again thanked Master for giving him a new life.

A large number of new practitioners and people who support Falun Dafa attended this Fa conference.



## ***New York City: Many Organizations Join Over A Thousand Practitioners to Call for an End to the CCP's Persecution of Falun Gong***

At dusk on April 25--the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the "[April 25](#)" Peaceful Appeal--representatives of many organizations and over a thousand Falun Gong practitioners rallied in front of the Chinese Consulate in New York to ask the public to speak out against the Chinese Communist Party's persecution of Falun Gong and to call on Party members to stop participating in the persecution.



Groups rally in front of Chinese Consulate to call for action to end the persecution

### **Falun Gong Practitioners: The "April 25" Appeal was legal, peaceful and rational**

During the rally, several witnesses of the "April 25" Appeal shared their personal experiences during the historic appeal and testified that it was legal, peaceful and rational.



Group Exercise in front of Chinese Consulate in New York



Sending righteous thoughts



A witness to the "4.25" peaceful appeal talked about its historical significance



Practitioner representative Levi Browde makes a speech

Practitioner representative Levi Browde said: "Today, we come here to commemorate the practitioners who have been persecuted to death and call on the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) to end the persecution."

**Chairman of the Federation for a Democratic China: CCP maintains the persecution against Falun Gong by constantly fabricating lies; the scale and brutality of the persecution is far beyond the Holocaust**

Fei Liangyong, the Chairman of Federation for a Democratic China, came from Germany to participate in this activity. He said: "The April 25 appeal was peaceful and rational, and the CCP purposefully distorted the facts and charged Falun Gong practitioners with 'besieging' Zhongnanhai (the Chinese Central Government compound). Zhongnanhai is a public place, and practitioners went there to appeal because they were mistreated and persecuted."



Fei Liangyong, the Chairman of "Federation for a Democratic China"



Tang Baiqiao, Chairman of "China Peace"

Mr. Fei said: "Though every Chinese citizen has the right to appeal at Zhongnanhai, the CCP spread rumors charging Falun Gong practitioners with 'besieging Zhongnanhai;' the CCP also directed the 'Tiananman Square Self-immolation' to frame practitioners and then ran a large-scale propaganda campaign to demonize Falun Gong. The campaign deceived many Chinese."

He said that the CCP maintains its persecution against Falun Gong by constantly fabricating lies. In the past 6 years, more than 1000 practitioners have been persecuted to death and tens of thousands have been tortured and subjected to brainwashing. The scale and brutality of the CCP's persecution of the Chinese public and Falun Gong is far beyond the Holocaust.

**Chairman of "China Peace:" Do the right thing; bring an end to the CCP's persecution of Falun Gong**

Tang Baiqiao, chairman of "China Peace," said that his organization publicly supported Falun Gong as soon as the persecution started in 1999. At that time, he received a lot of pressure. However, he believes that people should do the right thing and should not care too much about personal interest. He said: "In front of the Chinese Consulate which represents the CCP in New York, I call on the CCP to immediately end the persecution of Falun Gong. As Jiang has completely backed out of the Chinese political circle, Hu Jintao and his regime now have no excuses for claiming that Jiang is still manipulating behind the scenes, preventing the end of the persecution."

Mr. Tang also called on all Chinese to pay closer attention to the brutal persecution. He said that inasmuch as this group of good people are being persecuted so brutally, people who remain indifferent will be condemned by the generation to come and by history.

In the end, Mr. Tang solemnly stated: "I call on all people fighting for justice to speak out for Falun Gong. Otherwise, you will be washed away by the tide of history."

**Representative of "World Organization to Bring Jiang Zemin to Justice": Condemn the most recent nationwide campaign to round up practitioners**

Li Dayong, representative of "World Organization to Bring Jiang Zemin to Justice," also spoke during the rally. In a statement, the organization condemned the most recent nationwide campaign to round up practitioners. Mr. Li said that this move is an act of desperation by the CCP. He advised other Party members to see clearly the evil nature of the CCP and not participate in the persecution any more. Otherwise, they will be punished and washed away by history.



Li Dayong, representative of "World Organization to Bring Jiang Zemin to Justice"



Wang Zhiyuan, representative of "World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong"

**Representative of the "World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong": We will go after all the perpetrators of the persecution and bring them to justice**

Mr. Wang Zhiyuan, representative of the "World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong," announced the organization's last investigation report on the persecution. He then called on those who are still participating in the persecution to correct their wrongdoings. Otherwise, he said that WOIPFG will expose them and bring them to justice.

All the guests unanimously called on the current Chinese leaders to end this most brutal persecution in the history of mankind and line up on the side of justice at this historic moment.

***FDI: Communist China, Singapore: Two Countries, One System?***

Singapore Arrests Two Falun Gong Practitioners for Exposing The CCP's Persecution in China

PRESS STATEMENT - Apr. 29, 2005 Falun Dafa Information Center

NEW YORK (FDI) -- On April 27 in Singapore, two women were found "guilty" on seven counts, including "assembly without a permit" and "possession and distribution of illegal VCDs." Their crime? Handing out materials to passers-by in a public park that document the human rights atrocities inflicted upon those who practice Falun Gong in China.

These same materials are handed out to the public on a daily basis in nearly every major city across North America, Europe, and Australia as well as parts of the Middle East, South America, and Africa.

Up until two days ago, only in Communist China would people be punished by authorities for distributing these materials. How is it that Singapore's justice system would punish people for speaking the truth?

It is a fact well-known throughout the world that the Chinese Communist Party has been waging a campaign of suppression against Falun Gong inside China for the past 6 years -- a campaign that is vast in scope and horrifying in its implementation. Human rights workers have documented over 42,000 cases of severe abuse or torture in prison camps and detention centers of Falun Gong practitioners. Thousands are dead. Hundreds of thousands, if not millions, languish in labor camps and detention centers throughout China - many sent there merely for letting their fellow citizens know about the abuses unleashed on Falun Gong.

Brainwashing centers have been established all across China to use torture - psychological and physical - to destroy people's beliefs and implant the CCP line into their hearts and souls... a process often leaving people psychologically devastated, if not dead. Both the Washington Post and the Wall Street Journal, as with others, have reported on these tactics and their pervasiveness. Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch have documented much of this.

It is another well-known fact that China's campaign to eradicate Falun Gong has not stopped at China's borders. Government officials from the city and community levels on up to the federal and top levels have reported being approached by Chinese officials on numerous occasions, asking for cooperation against Falun Gong and suppressing news about the deaths and torture in China ([link](#)). Considerable financial and political pressure is brought to bear by the Chinese consulate officials, revealing a systematic, worldwide campaign that reaches into cities and industries all over the world.

It is, therefore, appalling and disturbing that in Singapore - a society that is supposedly governed by rule of law - two Falun Gong practitioners would be found "guilty" and fined simply for giving away CDs and information about China's persecution of Falun Gong for free to the public. Defense counsel for the two accused women has stressed that they were merely exercising their Constitutional rights, and such rights expressed peacefully and orderly should not be curtailed by any other law of the land.

Because the two women refused to pay the fines imposed on them under these unjust circumstances, they are serving jail sentences. We are told at least one of them is now on hunger strike to protest this injustice.

This incident makes Singapore the first country outside China to charge peaceful Falun Gong practitioners and send them to jail under such circumstances. It has also effectively made the international community question the legal and judicial systems of Singapore, where it is clear justice was not served. Lastly, it raises questions whether or not such an act aims at complying with pressure from Beijing or serves as a political gesture to woo Chinese authorities.

We call upon the government of Singapore to reverse this decision and handle this case justly in accordance with the law. No government should sacrifice freedoms and liberty for the mere purpose of currying favor with the Communist regime in Beijing. Any short-term benefits such actions would reap are vastly overshadowed by the damage done to Singapore's rule of law, its reputation in the international community and the well-being of its people.



## ***Sydney, Australia: "Uncompromising Spirit" Art Exhibition Touches the Hearts of Many International Students***

On April 18 2005, the five-day "Uncompromising Spirit" art exhibition opened its doors to the public. More than 50 guests and visitors, including linguist and campaigner for liberty Michael Darby, renowned jurist Yuan Hongbin, a faculty member from the University of Sydney and Australian Chinese Artist Zhang Cuiying attended the opening ceremony.



Linguist and campaigner for liberty Michael Darby

During his opening remarks, Mr. Darby called on Prime Minister Howard to look at the evil nature of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) rather than its surface. He said that he not only saw the talent and courage from these paintings but also saw the uncompromising spirit. He introduced one painting to the audience, which depicted how an Australian's husband was tortured to death for practicing Falun Gong. He said that such tragedies are happening every day. Torture, abduction, murder, brainwashing and other atrocities are rampant under the reign of the CCP. However, through these courageous artists' efforts as well as support from kind-hearted people, he believes that this situation will change, and China will become a democratic and prosperous nation.



A faculty member at the University of Sydney

A faculty member at the University of Sydney also attended the opening ceremony. She said that freedom of belief, expression and association should have been included as conditions for China to join the WTO and host the 2008 Olympics. She said that the Chinese government was granted the right to host the 2008 Olympics, but these basic rights were not included for consideration. The western world shouldn't sacrifice or downplay human rights for trade and money. She called on the Australian government to end trade with China until this tragedy is brought before an international court. She also encouraged practitioners to hold more exhibitions of this kind to let more people in the West know of this human rights atrocity and to stop the persecution in China.



Renowned jurist Yuan Hongbin

Professor Yuan Hongbin said that under the totalitarian system of the CCP and the tight media censorship, all artists of any discipline have to support the CCP in order to survive. Freedom is the source of true art, and no true art can prosper where freedom is suppressed. From this understanding, he believed that the arts in China died a long time ago. Yuan said: "These artworks depict the struggle between tyranny and the free spirit. From these bitter sufferings, the artists successfully show us the beauty of art. While the CCP has been boasting that China is in its best time in terms of human rights, these artworks open a crack in the mask of the CCP's tyranny. Through this crack, you can see the true situation in China and the ongoing human rights catastrophe." Professor Yuan hoped that people could sense the immortal human spirit from these artworks.

During the ceremony, practitioner Jane Dai and her daughter Fadu both spoke out to testify to the brutal persecution of practitioners.





The exhibition site



The exhibition site

This exhibition attracted many students, especially Chinese international students. One student said: "In China, the government always lies to us, all media are owned by the CCP, and they have been spreading propaganda to turn public opinion against Falun Gong. We don't know anything about what the government has been doing under the table. We have only learned the truth of the persecution from this exhibition, fliers we received on streets and some local news reports. As we have learned about the truth, we won't just listen to the propaganda any more. I feel that this exhibition is very shocking."

Another Chinese international student said: "From what I have learned in China, Falun Gong has always been depicted to be very bad. However, if what is shown by the paintings is true, the persecution is too brutal."

Many students said that they would bring their classmates so that they can learn the truth about Faun Gong.

## ***Geneva, Switzerland: Exposing the Chinese Regime's Crimes Against Conscience During UN Human Rights Meeting***

On April 7, 2005, during the 61<sup>st</sup> session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group, the United Nations Association of the United States of America San Diego Chapter and the International Educational Development - Humanitarian Law Project jointly held a forum entitled, "Crimes Against Conscience - The Chinese Government's Persecution of Falun Gong." The purpose of the forum was to expose the persecution of Falun Gong during the past more than five years in China.

Ms. Karen Parker, Attorney for the International Educational Development, pointed out that the Chinese Communist regime has continuously attempted to deny the facts of the persecution against Falun Gong practitioners' human rights. Because of the Chinese Communist regime's brutal persecution, the case numbers of the persecuted practitioners are increasing so fast that the numbers are beyond the handling capacity of UN human rights organizations. The Chinese Communist regime does not seem to be considering changing its course of action, but instead attempts to block the work of UN human rights organizations.



Ms. Karen Parker and Mr. Chen Shizhong



German Falun Gong practitioner Xiong Wei

Mr. Chen Shizhong of the Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group, introduced Falun Gong and explained the facts of the persecution of Falun Gong in China to the forum attendees. Ms. Xiong Wei, a practitioner rescued from China and now living in Germany, narrated her experience of torture in China. She was unlawfully imprisoned in a forced labor camp for two years because of distributing Falun Gong [truth-clarification](#) materials on the streets of Beijing. She was tortured with brutal beatings, forced labor of extended duration and brainwashing sessions, leading to painful suffering both physically and mentally. Her family members also suffered greatly. During Ms. Xiong's imprisonment, her mother's legs became paralyzed due to stress and grief. International human rights organizations submitted information on Ms. Xiong's persecution to the United Nations. Under international pressure, the Chinese Communist regime replied to the UN's investigation by lying, saying that Ms. Xiong had not been tortured. Ms. Xiong said, "I swore in the labor camp that I would

personally expose the lies of the Chinese Communist regime in the United Nations. Today, I have the opportunity to publicize the facts of the persecution. My wish has come true."

Mr. He Lizhi, a victim of the persecution, was a senior engineer and won major awards for his work in China. In July 2000, a letter to a friend was intercepted and opened illegally by spies from the National Security Bureau. In his letter, Mr. He talked about his practicing Falun Gong and the facts of the persecution. He was taken away from work and sentenced to a three-year prison term. Because Mr. He refused to give up his belief, he was tortured brutally in prison and forced to attend brainwashing sessions. He also mentioned that the Chinese Communist regime-controlled media widely celebrated the regime's taking advantage of procedures to block condemnation on China's poor human rights record at the annual meeting of the UN Commission on Human Rights. At that time, the prison guards tried to deceive the practitioners in prison, telling them that the persecution of Falun Gong was supported by the international community, and forced them to write articles to commend "the best human rights period" in China. This indicated the blatant hostility on the part of the Chinese Communist regime towards the international community's efforts to improve China's human rights.



Falun Gong practitioner Mr. He Lizhi  
from Canada



Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Chen Ying  
from France

Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Chen Ying, currently residing in France, was detained three times and sent to forced labor camp for one year when she was visiting her family in China. Prison guards forcefully injected her with toxic drugs, resulting in damage to the nerves on the left side of her body, spasms, and partial loss of memory. Ms. Chen said, "In China, many Falun Gong practitioners have been injected with drugs that are toxic to the nervous system. The persecution in forced labor camps involves blatant lies and violence against Falun Gong practitioners. The mental and physical tortures are designed to destroy one's conscience." She narrated her own painful experience of giving up her conscience after forced brainwashing, and then talked about the power of Truth, Compassion and Forbearance that she experienced after she resumed her practice of Falun Gong. Chen Ying used her own experience to explain that the Chinese Communist Regime's brutal persecution of Falun Gong practitioners is against human nature.

## Facts of the Persecution



## ***CCP Launches the Largest Nationwide Assault on Falun Gong Since July 20, 1999***

Falun Gong Accused of being "Political," Martial Law Declared, Blacklist Used to Arrest Practitioners

The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) regime is pursuing and arresting Falun Gong practitioners on a large scale. According to news collected from a variety of sources, the arrests have been orchestrated in a unified way throughout the entire country and Falun Gong practitioners are being specifically targeted. This police action is taking place on the largest scale since July 20, 1999.

According to sources in China, in order to take advantage of people's aversion to politics and fear of political persecution, the authorities in Beijing have branded Falun Gong as a "reactionary political organization" in an attempt to create an atmosphere conducive to escalating the persecution. In March, they issued an internal document that ordered the ransacking of Falun Gong practitioners' homes throughout the entire country. Before this, the number of practitioners arrested in different areas had already been increasing. Since the end of 2004, facilities for printing and downloading informational materials from the Minghui website in different areas of China encountered more serious persecution. More and more reports emerged of people participating in the distribution and production of [truth-clarifying](#) materials being arrested.

Yesterday evening, Shandong Province began enforcing martial law and arresting Falun Gong practitioners. The number of practitioners abducted is estimated to be very high, although we are currently unable to ascertain the exact number.

According to reliable sources, the authorities in the Jinan area of Shandong Province have held a meeting to plan how to locate and arrest practitioners in the entire city. On the evening of April 21, many police cars were checking vehicles at intersections. It was obvious that they were targeting Falun Gong practitioners, because they didn't check the vehicle's annual inspection, nor did they check for driver licenses. Instead, they stopped the vehicles and looked to see if the drivers looked like good people. At the Tikou Road exit of the railroad overpass east of Hualian, a three-wheel farm vehicle was stopped. A policeman dragged a kind looking older gentleman in his 60s from the vehicle by his collar. After the three-wheel vehicle left, a passerby said he heard the policeman tell the driver, "I will watch where you run to." A taxicab driver stopped and wanted to see what was going on, why people were being stopped and dragged from their cars. Wasn't this checking people, instead of cars? The policeman chased him away.

According to other news, before the CCP leader Hu Jintao visited Weifang in Shandong Province, the Ministry of Public Security called the Police Department in Weifang and said, "If you find any Falun Gong activity, find one and kill one. The police will bear no responsibility." This order was delivered orally, and not put in writing. When Hu Jintao was visiting the Weichai Power Company, two thirds of the workers that Hu interviewed were replaced by policemen. Those who shook hands with Hu were also policemen, and the company's leaders.

On April 6 and 7, a large-scale persecution was carried out in Yifeng County, Jiangxi Province. All the people that they believed to be firm Falun Gong practitioners were arrested.

Around April 10, the police in Guangan, Sichuan Province held an urgent meeting for five consecutive days, and secretly planned further persecution of Falun Gong practitioners.

The police departments in Urumqi posted rewards on bulletin boards for information leading to the arrest of practitioners. (They did not dare to stamp the official seal on the postings, because they were afraid of leaving evidence of persecution.)

In Wuhan, Hubei Province, the CCP has handed documents to its members in the region. A policeman privately told practitioners that any practitioner found having even one copy of the "Nine Commentaries on the Chinese Communist Party" in his possession would be sentenced to a four-year jail term.

The wave of withdrawing from the Party is still building, with the number of people announcing their withdrawal from the Party on the Internet reaching one million. According to internal sources, the large-scale persecution at this time is directly related to this event. The publication of the "Nine Commentaries" on both the Chinese and English language version of The Epoch Times has caused a huge response and reaction. The CCP has now launched its well-planned persecution of Falun Gong practitioners throughout the entire country. And their means will be exceedingly brutal.

According to different news sources, the secret persecution is being mapped out nationwide. We are investigating the details in the regions that have already begun to act. Inside the police departments in different areas, there are some people who know the truth of Falun Gong and are sympathetic to Falun Gong. Through the various political movements in Chinese history, they have clearly seen the evil nature of the Communist Party. They hope Falun Gong practitioners will be careful, and not let the Party's treacherous plots succeed.

## ***Dalian City Police Department Distributes Documents Revealing Long Range Plan to Persecute Falun Gong***

Recently the Police Department in Dalian City distributed several documents and a one-year plan to persecute Falun Gong practitioners. They sent out over 200 copies to offices within the police department and related units.

### **I. The police department in Dalian and the Crime Prevention Office sent out a package that included the following documents:**

1. The Plan to Launch a Citywide "Stopping the Source" Campaign. (Mainly going against the distribution of Falun Gong materials and the printing of the "Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party.")
2. During the holidays, sensitive days, and important event days, intensify the information collection and so on.
3. Target sites that download materials from the Internet and Falun Gong practitioners that communicate through the Internet.
4. Jiang Shihe is the deputy-secretary of the Political-legal Committee and the director of the so-called "Office of Prevention and Dealing with Evil Cults" in Dalian City.
5. Investigate the material for the "Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party."
6. Establish a database on Falun Gong practitioners that have been identified in the past.
7. (Part A) Implement the so-called "sky-hawk" plan, which is intended to intensify the investigation of the special cases, and dig out the so-called "underground organization systems."

(Part B) Implement the so-called "sky-net chasing" special action, which focuses on Falun Gong practitioners that have left their homes.

8. Start the four major movements: large-scale searching, large-scale patrolling, large-scale cleaning up, large-scale blocking and stopping.
9. The Party Committees and governments at all levels shall seriously pay attention to establishing a standardized and normalized 610 Office system, and to completing and strengthening the leadership bodies.
10. The four districts in the city (Shahekou, Xigang, Zhongshan, and Ganjingzi) will get 250 thousand yuan as their special campaign fund.
11. Starting in mid-April, the entire city will focus on carrying out the so-called "storming of heavily-fortified positions" with brainwashing. Use as a working chain "group, class, institute, school, and home" to conduct the efforts, and support the working team of "storming the heavily-fortified positions".

### **II. Persecution schedule:**

1. In March, systematically sort out the list of names (of those who were hard to brainwash in the past three years) by different districts, cities, and counties. Before April 8 the offices in the different districts, cities, and counties shall report the new list of people who have not accepted the brainwashing to the so-called "Office of Prevention and Dealing with Evil Cults."
2. In April the city will conduct a unified investigation of those who have accepted the brainwashing. Prepare for the consolidation work in the next step.
3. In May the city will promote (to popularize) four different qigong's and carry out the "Ways to Handle People Related to Falun Gong."

### **III. The warning and education activity plan in 2005 in the city:**

1. From January to the end of April, the entire city, countryside, and suburbs will focus on starting the activities.
2. In May the city will focus on a stage-summary and re-mobilize for the entire year.
3. The time between June and the end of November is the phase intended for carrying out the intensive warning and education activities.
4. During the month of December, the city will examine the results.

### **IV. The plan of adopting the "movement of creating a non-evil cult environment:"**

1. Strengthen the development of a grass-roots network that focuses on recreation, sports, and the popularization of science.
2. Strengthen the development of a grass-roots network that focuses on prevention and finding suspicious activities.
3. Strengthen the development of a grass-roots network that focuses on brainwashing.
4. The Deputy Secretary of the City CCP Committee is Li Jingrui, and Deputy Mayor is Wang Chengmin. The Political-legal Committee Secretary is Zhang Zhong, and the Deputy Mayor is Zhang Jixian.

### **V. The main jobs in 2005:**

1. Fulfill the essence or intent of the nationwide meeting on October 25 (against Falun Gong).
2. Take it as the focus of the efforts. Launch a battle of so-called "stopping the source," and maintain the principles of "not changing the tone, not relaxing the law, and not being soft."
3. The police, national security, arts, communication management, and colleges will work together on the project. Focus on starting with the Falun Gong practitioners who own a computer. Carefully investigate the concretely identified figures and events listed on the Minghui website. Check the house rentals and the internet-



bars in the colleges and in the public. This year will be the last year of the three-year battle of storming the heavily fortified position.

**To prevent the so-called "bouncing back," take the following measures:**

1. Carefully investigate the real situation of brainwashed people and complete the chain of data.
2. Strengthen the so-called brainwashing school and team of "storming the heavily fortified positions."
3. Form the consolidation group for brainwashed people.
4. Drive the communities and villages to action.

Also mentioned was that the 610 Office in Dalian City will give training to all the staff in the entire 610 Office system on the implementation of persecution during the second and third quarter of the year.

### ***The Sichuan Province Women's Prison Uses Slave Labor and Sells Prisoners' Blood for Profit***

The Sichuan Province Women's Prison, also called Sichuan Jianyang Yangmahe Clothes Plant, is located in the southeastern part of Chengdu City, Sichuan Province. It is close to Yangmahe County, along the highway from Chengdu City to Longquanyi, so it is also called Jianyang Yangmahe Women's Prison. There are over 3,000 prisoners, including many Falun Gong practitioners. We do not know the exact number of practitioners detained there.

There are nine sections (or nine workshops) in the prison, producing goods all year long using slave labor. It is well known that goods produced by slave labor are forbidden on the market, especially for export. But Jianyang Yangmahe Women's Prison produces market goods using slave labor all year long. They export the goods produced by prisoners to obtain foreign currency. The goods are mainly exported to Russia. In order to sell the goods, they always label them with a famous brand. The conditions in the workshops are hellish. Prisoners work 12 to 14 hours a day. Every day there are work quotas assigned. If the prisoners cannot finish the assignment, they are forced to work longer hours and are not allowed to eat. Due to the intensity of the forced labor, incidences of suicide occurred in the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> workshop in 2004 alone.

In addition to exploiting prisoners' hard work without paying them, the prison management has come up with a most despicable plan to increase their profits, by selling the prisoners' blood. Under the pretext of examination for AIDS, they forcefully take 10ml blood from each prisoner. They use the same needle for multiple prisoners and sell each 10ml of blood for 120 [yuan](#). The blood from 3,000 people could be sold for 360,000 yuan. They are not only exploiting workers, but also draining their blood. It is a form of torture to forcefully take blood from practitioners and other prisoners. Profiting by risking people's lives is the worst violation against human rights and the worst crime against human life.

Last year, the People's Congress of China included the issue of human rights in the law. But the very organization entrusted with implementing the law is the same one committing crimes that seriously violate and abuse human rights. We wish to expose the crimes conducted by the Chinese Communist Party to the world, and let everyone know what they are doing.

## ***Torture Methods Used on Practitioners in Shanghai's Tilanqiao Prison***

People in the East know Shanghai's Tilanqiao Prison as the place where Japanese war criminals stood trial after World War II. Because foreigners would occasionally come to visit the prison, Tilanqiao Prison would disguise itself as being "civil." Let us examine how Tilanqiao Prison tortures Falun Gong practitioners behind the mask of civility.

### **1. Detainment**

Falun Gong practitioners are detained with death row inmates. Prison guards treat practitioners the same as these dangerous criminals except that they are not handcuffed. However, they are often treated worse than the criminals on death row. Practitioners are detained in the three-by-three-meter prison cells for 24 hours a day, year after year. There is unremitting mental torture. Withering leg muscles and sores are common for practitioners. Practitioners' bodies and minds are severely tormented.

### **2. Beatings**

Practitioners are often beaten. In the beginning, the beatings were severe. Practitioner Hua Wei from Beijing was beaten almost every day. Several inmates would lift him up and throw him down on a board. This often resulted in Mr. Hua's face being completely bruised and swollen. Practitioner Mr. Yang Jiuqing from Shanghai City in the Pudong District was also beaten many times. Prisoner Liu tormented Practitioner Chou Shen from Shanghai City, Putuo District by grabbing and pinching the skin and muscle on his thighs every day. He was also forced to sit on a small china bowl for over ten hours each day. Practitioner Mr. Tang Renya from Sheyang City, Anhui Province, was beaten and sworn at by prisoner Yang many times and was later persecuted and beaten by another prisoner, Wang Haoming from Shanghai. Prisoners Yang and Wang hit Practitioner Tao Xiangwei from the Boashan District in Shanghai with shoes and slapped his face. Practitioner Mr. Zhang Qin from Shanghai was initially beaten, resulting in a bruised and swollen face. Mr. Mei Jianqi was a college student at Shanghai Transportation University. Prisoner Zhang smashed his head with a piece of timber. Practitioner Mr. Zhu Degui from Shanghai was slapped many times on the face, and practitioner Mr. He Binggang from Shanghai was also beaten.

In November 2003, in order to achieve the goal of transforming "100% of the Falun Gong practitioners," police once again locked up practitioner Mr. Yang Yuhui, who was about to be released, with other death row inmates. They ordered the inmates to beat Mr. Yang and show no mercy. Inmate Zhu Jidong alone, who was assisting the police to "manage" Falun Gong practitioners, beat Mr. Yang for over two hours. There are many more incidents of practitioners being beaten.

### **3. Humiliation**

Prisoners swear at virtually every practitioner detained at Shanghai's Tilanqiao Prison. They use many lewd words. Prison regulations prohibit insults; however, prison guards encourage this as part of their "transformation education." Under police order, inmate Yu Chengbin from Anhui Province specifically threatened and swore at practitioners Jiang Dongbo, who later died from torture, Geng Zhaojun, Guo Xiaojun, and Liang Weilin. Inmate Yu also persecuted Mr. Jiang directly.

### **4. Intimidation**

Practitioners are constantly terrorized. For instance, prison officials create an atmosphere of dread by hinting that a practitioner could be sent to a secret location for "casual punishment." In other situations, they have told practitioners how "political criminals" have been tortured, suggesting that practitioners will get the same treatment. They collect testimonials from other inmates of other terrifying torture methods, which intensifies the horrifying atmosphere. The former police secretary of the fifth ward, Fu Kehu, used these tactics to intimidate practitioner Mr. Li Liang from the Xuhui District in Shanghai and others.

### **5. Abuse**

Most practitioners experienced physical abuse that was not visibly apparent. For more than 20 days practitioner Mr. Liu Shunming from Minhang County in Shanghai was forced to squat inside the cell for ten hours every day. Practitioner Mr. Hu Zhiming from Liaoning Province was forced to sit on a small stool with his arms behind him while facing a wall. Not sitting straight would incur the wrath of inmate Jiao. Jiao claimed that it was the team leader who told him to abuse Mr. Hu. Other practitioners experienced similar treatment. Virtually every practitioner was made to sit in front of a wall. Psychological tortures included treating practitioners as "internal affairs bags," i.e. no one was allowed to talk to them and they were not allowed to talk. Force-feeding was also applied. Some purposely used thick tubes. Practitioner Mr. Du Ting from Gansu Province had his nose injured, and practitioner Mr. Ju Yanlai developed internal bleeding in his esophagus and stomach.

### **6. Handcuffs**

Prison guards often looked for excuses to persecute practitioners. For several months practitioner Mr. Xiong Wenqi from Shanghai was tied to a bed with his arms and legs spread in four directions. The excuse given by the guards was "for security reasons." Prison guards grabbed practitioner Mr. Tao Xiangwei's hand to force him to make handprints. Mr. Tao refused and bumped into a policeman while pulling back his hand. The policeman took this as an act of "attacking the police" and handcuffed Mr. Tao for two months. (His hands were handcuffed to his waist by a 20-cm-wide belt. His head was the only part of his upper body that was able to move.)

## 7. Incitement

Prison authorities incited distrust among relatives, friends and practitioners. They purposely fabricated news and spread tales of horror to frighten practitioners' relatives. Because of their intense fear, the relatives would pressure practitioners to concede to the authorities' demands. Within the prison, authorities spread rumors and instigated inmates to harass practitioners.

## 8. Deception

Some practitioners were kept in isolation and deceived by lies, such as that many practitioners had been ["transformed."](#) If a practitioner was detained for the first time, prison guards would lie to him, saying, "You are the only one that's not yet been transformed." For practitioners detained for a long time, they would lie and say that Falun Gong no longer existed in the outside world. A fake report by "Liberation Daily" claimed that practitioner Mr. Hua Wei was "awakened" through so-called "education." The report did not mention a single word about Mr. Hua being beaten every day. Practitioner Mr. Yang Yuhui was beaten and "found guilty." The prison hypocritically held a "farewell party" with a video showing some happy people, which was sent to the local cable TV station for broadcast. They would claim this was clear evidence of "realization after education." Apart from this, prison authorities fabricated rumors, deceived inmates, and incited inmates to hate practitioners. For example, police once lied to a practitioner that they had arrested a robber who practiced Falun Gong. They have also deceived practitioners using [collaborators](#).

## 9. Indoctrination

The prison often brainwashed practitioners with fallacious information. Practitioners were often forced to watch fabricated videos. Some were forced to watch repeatedly for more than ten hours a day, for as long as twenty days or longer. They stuffed earplugs into practitioners' ears, so that all they could hear all day was propaganda. They once placed a speaker right in front of Mr. Du Ting's cell. They also placed the sound box right at the ear of practitioner Mr. Wu Weming from Jinshan in Shanghai. Many practitioners had similar experiences. Practitioners were also forced to watch films that promoted the Communist Party and "study" material written by collaborators. They were even forced to attend propaganda "seminars" and write a review after attending.

The persecution at Tilanqiao Prison still goes on. We call on all kind-hearted people and organizations around the world to pay attention to the persecution that is happening here and to help end these crimes soon.

### ***Over 60 Falun Gong Practitioners in Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province Arrested and Tortured - Ms. Hao Zhimei Persecuted to Death***

Recently more than sixty Falun Gong practitioners in Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province were arrested and illegally detained in the Qiqihar City First Detention Center. A retired teacher from Yifu Elementary School in Jianhua District, Qiqihar City, 61-year-old Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Hao Zhimei, was arrested on the evening of March 16, 2005 and died as a result of persecution on March 24. It was reported that the authorities secretly handed out ten-year sentences to all of them without going through any legal proceedings.

The Qiqihar municipal 610 Office and police department are still frantically hunting down and arresting Falun Gong practitioners, and every Falun Gong practitioner arrested is cruelly tortured by the police. Even more unconscionable is the fact that if they fail to find the Falun Gong practitioner they are in search of, they arrest the practitioner's family members. For example, the over-sixty-year-old mother of a male Falun Gong practitioner was arrested, beaten, and held in Qiqihar City's First Detention Center.

On February 28, 2005, a practitioner from Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province was distributing truth-clarification material in a supermarket, but there was a monitor there, and she was arrested on the spot and sent to the Longsha Police Department. Under torture, she divulged the identity of a practitioner couple. The couple mistakenly thought there would be no problem after they changed the cards in their cell-phones, so they made calls as usual with the handsets, but they were located by police and arrested. They were both tortured by the police. They in turn gave away the identities of other practitioners. This way, more than 60 practitioners were arrested, one after another, in Qiqihar City, and all have suffered torture. They are now detained in Qiqihar City's First Detention Center.

Falun Gong practitioner Qu Yongxiang was arrested at 9:00 p.m. on March 14, 2005 by police from the Xinjianglu Police Station, in Jianhua District. After his relatives heard the news, they found the people responsible at the Xinjianglu Police Station and Qiqihar Municipal 610 Office, and requested Mr. Qu's release. The people responsible said, "Higher authorities have ordered that there will be no flexibility in matters involving Falun Gong. We can release people who engage in a brawls, breaking and entering, stealing, burglary, gambling, drug trafficking, prostitution or murder if they pay up, but we cannot do a thing for a Falun Gong practitioner." They also repeatedly threatened Mr. Qu's relatives by saying, "Authorities from above have ordered that those who still practice Falun Gong are 'diehards', and if arrested, they are to be heavily punished. If they die after being beaten, they have died for nothing."

On March 16, 2005, practitioner Ms. Hao Zhimei was arrested at her home by police from the criminal division in Jianhua District, Qiqihar City, and held at the Qiqihar City First Detention Center. On the evening of March 18, she was illegally brought before a court by police from the criminal division of Jianhua District Public Security Sub-bureau. On March 24, Xinjianglu Police Station told her family members that she had died from a heart attack. Her family members reached an agreement with the police station, and had the funeral on March 28. The police warned her family that when they changed her clothes before the funeral, no cameras, cell phones, or other electronic equipment capable of taking a picture were allowed.

Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Xu Jingwen was arrested by the Shalong Police Department on the evening of April 11. The police hung her up and mercilessly beat her for six days, in an attempt to force her to reveal the identities of other practitioners, but Ms. Xu did not say a word. Her arms and legs were beaten purple, and she could no longer move. Ms. Xu still did not acquiesce. On the seventh day, because of her condition, the First Detention Center refused to accept her. Shalong Police Department had to issue an order and force them to accept her.

It was reported that persecutors have already arrested Falun Gong practitioners Luo Guixiang, Chen Wenxing and others from Longjiang County, Heilongjiang Province. The details are awaiting further investigation.

## Falun Gong Practitioners' Noble Actions in China





## ***Break Through Obstacles in Order to Clarify the Facts to the People***

By a Falun Gong practitioner from Hubei Province

At every gathering with ordinary people, I seize the opportunity to [clarify the facts](#). It is really miraculous. Whenever I want to meet somebody, I run into him or her the next day. I know this is Master's great compassion towards disciples and sentient beings, so I make it a point to clarify the facts on all occasions, such as classmates' gatherings, weddings, visiting relatives or friends and shopping, not leaving out anyone with whom I have a predestined relationship.

I pay attention to my appearance and try my best to dress neatly and attractively. My tone of voice is quiet and kind, because I want to leave people with a positive impression. I clarify the facts while sending forth righteous thoughts. As I have clarified the truth over the years, I have seldom met anyone who was truly not savable.

When I saw quite a few taxis parked outside a supermarket, I gave a Falun Gong token to one of the taxi drivers and clarified the facts to him. The driver then said to me, "Don't you know who I am? I am the one in charge of your Falun Gong practitioners in this region." He then returned the token to me and said, "You'd better leave. You are too kind." I thanked him and wished him a good future. I was not frightened at that time. Perhaps my righteous heart touched him.

On a day when I was preparing truth-clarifying materials for night distribution, I suddenly became dizzy and couldn't move. (I had had this condition before I started to practice Falun Gong.) I felt the world whirling in front of my eyes. Vomiting and purging followed, so I started sending forth righteous thoughts until past 10 a.m. I was able to move then but still felt sleepy and had a temperature. Then I remembered the things I needed to do during the night, so I struggled to get up and did the five sets of exercises. After doing the exercises, I felt a little bit better. I said to myself, "I must break through the interference and go out tonight. The more you try to keep me from going out, the harder I will try to get out." I walked for a while, and my legs suddenly relaxed. They felt light, and it was no longer an effort to lift them up. This was truly Falun Gong's miraculous power.

Another time I was carrying a bundle of materials on my way home. On level ground I twisted my ankle. I fell down and couldn't get up. I endured the pain and walked home. The next day, my foot was completely swollen and bruised, and I could only limp along. I said to myself, "I have to break through the old force's arrangement." I endured the pain and did my work while keeping righteous thoughts, so the work was not affected.

## ***Cherish the Opportunity to Clarify the Truth***

By a Falun Gong practitioner in Heilongjiang Province

One day, after coming back from kindergarten, my two-year-old son asked me: "Mother, who said 'Falun Dafa is good'?" "I was stunned as those words did not come from him, and then I realized his teacher must have asked him that question when he recited "Hong-yin"(Grand Poem) and sang the song "Falun Dafa is good." I knew that it was time to [clarify the truth](#) to his teacher. I put an article on the case of the staged self-immolation in a sealed envelope and gave it to my son's kindergarten teacher. I said to her, "I would like you to read this; it is very good." She had no idea what it was, but thanked me anyway. Next day she said to me nervously, "You still practice this; it is banned. You'd better stop quick." I smiled and told her the fact that Falun Gong teaches people to be kind and promotes health, yet is being slandered. I also answered her questions and resolved many of her doubts. Later on she cautioned me to practice at home in secret, and not to let my work unit know. I told her that my work unit already knew, and she became more relaxed and smiled.

Indeed after July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1999, I became sort of a "celebrity" at work because I went to Beijing to appeal for justice for Falun Gong. After I broke through their confinement and their attempt to send me to the brainwashing class for persecution, I had created a very righteous and open environment for clarifying the truth about Falun Gong.

At the beginning, the leaders at each level often tried to "[transform](#)" me, but I used those opportunities to clarify the truth to them. I told them the facts about the self-immolation farce, the spreading of Falun Gong abroad, lessons from history, and answered the questions that perplexed them. The political secretary from the work unit headquarters said that he did not believe in communism either, but under the communist rule, he had to listen to the communist party. The political secretary from my branch office asked me if in the future when Falun Gong's issue is redressed, if I could refrain from hating him. I replied that as a practitioner, we don't harbor hatred, but I hoped that he could position himself well.

I had some business at the human resources department. I said to the director that it would be hard to tell if a grape is sour or sweet until one has eaten it, and to tell if Falun Gong is good or not, as a practitioner, I'd be the most qualified person to talk about it. The six or seven people present all laughed. I went on to expose the lies on TV and talked about how I had benefited from the practice, and that the persecution of Falun Gong is unconstitutional. The director said with a smile, "You'd better leave quickly, we'll end up practicing Falun Gong if you say any more".

Clarifying the truth to the blue-collar co-workers is much easier, as they do not shun the sensitive subjects, but the office workers are much more discreet, so it is difficult to even

bring it up. So, I try not to rush it at the beginning. I use Falun Dafa's standard, and try to be considerate of others, kind and helpful. After I have gained their trust and respect, clarifying the truth becomes much easier.

After reading the newspaper's report on the interception of the TV broadcast on February 14<sup>th</sup>, I asked them if they had seen the contents of the broadcast. Then I pointed out that the TV station is supported by taxpayers, yet it does not serve the people but instead exclusively plays songs of praise for the Communist party. I mentioned Liu Chengjun, who was tortured to death for intercepting the regular TV programs to bring people the truth.

My work unit has a staff of more than one thousand, and I am only able to talk to a few of them. I posted the unit's telephone numbers to the overseas truth-clarifying team and mailed out truth clarification CD's to some individual administrative offices. Under the joint effort of overseas and domestic practitioners, the environment is changing rapidly. I heard people say that they had received calls from overseas one day, and someone else said that he had found truth-clarifying CD's on his doorsteps the next.

A few days later, someone saw some truthful information about Falun Gong on the Internet, and others saw truth clarifying banners in the park. They also commented that the practitioners were very smart. The banners were tied down with rocks, and it was flying at a high location. The police grabbed for it at once but they could not reach it. I am really happy for the people who have come to know the truth about Falun Gong.

## People Awaken to the Truth



## ***My Uncle, A Party Official, Finally Realizes That Falun Dafa is Good and the Communist Party is Evil***

By Practitioner Zhi Ming from Guizhou Province

My uncle is a regional-level officer for the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). At 74 years old, he was used to accepting the lies and propaganda of the CCP at face value. He was completely under the influence of the CCP and could not think for himself. As a result, when my husband and I tried [clarifying the truth](#) to him several times in the past, he could never accept it.

In March of this year, he came to our house for a visit. I thought to myself that this opportunity was arranged by Master for us to clarify the truth to him and that we should not be concerned about his possible reactions. My husband and I decided that, while one of us was talking, the other would send forth righteous thoughts to eliminate the possessing spirit of the CCP.

After my uncle arrived, we talked to him about how the Party had persecuted my husband and me, about the persecution of practitioners we personally knew, and about how some practitioners have been persecuted to death. These facts were powerful and got his attention. He appeared to become a little more clearheaded.

Next we showed him a VCD that exposed many evil aspects of the persecution. After the video ended, his first statement was, "How can the CCP be so bad now? It looks like the persecution is really unjustifiable. The government should not treat you people this way." This was a huge change from his former attitude, but when we continued and talked about how the CCP has brought disaster to the world's people, he reverted to his former opinions. He said, "The CCP is very cruel and harsh. We should not go against something stronger than we are."

We then played for him a VCD featuring *The Epoch Times' Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*. In two days we watched all nine commentaries. My uncle observed that the commentaries contained very powerful facts. He said, "Many of these things I have experienced myself. It is not made up. The *Nine Commentaries* use facts and reasoning to show the truth. It looks like I was very narrow-minded in the past, when I always thought the CCP was good. After watching this, I feel as if I have awakened from a dream. The CCP is truly evil; it is downright rotten."

Afterwards, we talked more to him about the truth of Falun Dafa. We made it clear to him that Falun Dafa does not participate in politics; instead it is saving the world's people. We told him sincerely that we hoped he understood, and he nodded his head to say he did. We gave him some truth-clarifying cards. As he left our home, he said he

would truly treasure them. We reminded him as he left to repeat, "Falun Dafa is good" frequently, and he said he would.

***A Company Manager: "If it Were Up to Me, I Would Ask All Employees to Practice Falun Gong"***

The employees from a company in Taian City, Shandong Province became healthy and improved their personal characters after they started practicing Falun Gong. They were always conscientious at work and their good health saved the company a lot of money in medical expenses. Manager Wang of the company clearly witnessed these changes, and as a result, he has good understanding of Falun Gong.

At the beginning of 2000, Mr. Wang went to Beijing for a business trip. He could not understand it when he saw police officers brutally arresting so many Falun Gong practitioners who had gone to appeal for justice at Tiananmen Square. After Mr. Wang came back, he learned that a practitioner from his company had been abducted and sent to the Wangcun Forced Labor Camp. He immediately arranged for a company car and asked the office director and head of the security department to accompany the practitioner's family members to visit the jailed practitioner, in order to alleviate the practitioner's suffering as much as possible.

Many employees in the company had illnesses. Their yearly medical expenses sometimes even exceeded their wages. Whenever employees could not get the reimbursement for their medical expenses on time, they started to make trouble for the company. Problems like that, however, never occurred with Falun Gong practitioners.

Manager Wang told people sincerely, "If it were up to me, I would ask all the employees to practice Falun Gong. How much money it would save for the company! How many headaches it could spare the company executives."

# Voice of Justice





## ***United Nations Association Condemns Chinese Government's Human Rights Violations against Falun Gong Practitioners***

Representatives of the United Nations Association of the USA, San Diego Chapter delivered speeches on April 8 and 12, respectively, during the 61<sup>st</sup> Session of the UN Commission on Human Rights in Geneva to condemn the Chinese government's severe human rights violations, in particular, human rights violations against Falun Gong practitioners. The statements pointed out, "The violent persecution against tens of millions of Falun Gong practitioners has gone on for five years". "The PRC's outrageous treatment of children of Falun Gong practitioners is a particularly shocking example."

The World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) was established in 1946 and is comprised of organizations from over 100 member states of the UN. The network enables people to connect with each other on critical global issues affecting us all, from peace and human rights to the spread of democracy, equitable development, and international justice. UNA-San Diego chapter is a sub-organization of the nongovernmental organization WFUNA.

### **United Nations Association of the USA San Diego Chapter**

#### **Item 11 of the 61st Session of the UN Human Rights Commission**

#### **Statement on the People's Republic China's Grave Human Rights Violations**

UNA-San Diego reiterates its support for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and protests the continued violation of the UDHR by the People's Republic of China on a scale unequaled anywhere in the world. While we note the recent release of Rebiya Kadeer by the PRC, it is not enough. Just as releasing one or one thousand Jews from the 6 million in concentration camps by the Nazis was not a human rights improvement, PRC's "human rights hostage" game should not be rewarded.

We are particularly concerned by the outrageous treatment of the practitioners of Falun Gong, who simply exercise rights declared in the UDHR. The confirmed deaths as a result of this persecution have climbed to over 1,600, with countless others disappeared and still unaccounted for. This number alone does not illustrate the severity of the violation. Unlike the crimes by the Nazis, Stalin, or the genocide and ethnic cleansing in Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur, where simple physical elimination was the goal, the torture and killing in PRC's persecution of Falun Gong is a means. The goal is a spiritual murder - forcing people to choose between losing their lives and renouncing their core beliefs. The persecution of early Christians two thousand years ago is another example of such a crime.

No crime is worse than crimes against conscience, because conscience is the very essence of humanity. Everything else, even our "inalienable rights," can be forcibly taken away. The alteration of our conscience, no matter how small, must be consented to from within. Conscience, thus, defines human nature, and the right to conscience is a human being's most fundamental right.

Falun Gong, Christians, Tibetans, Uighurs, and numerous other persecuted groups are not the only victims of the PRC's crimes against conscience. It is no secret that many in this institution fear to criticize the PRC. The PRC's tactic is simple: "I will not do business with you unless you cooperate." This is an extension of the crime against conscience, forcing people to choose between conscience and financial gains.

The most recent case of bowing to the PRC's pressure in exchange for financial rewards is France's Eutelsat, which decided to stop transmitting the signal of an independent, Chinese-language broadcaster *NTDTV* to Asia and China. UNA-San Diego joins Reporters Without Borders, the International Federation of Journalists, and 62 European MPs to condemn Eutelsat's craven sacrifice of principles, and we encourage the entire UN community to do the same. A "business decision" is no defense for assisting human rights abuses, just as "following orders" is never grounds for impunity.

## **United Nations Association of the USA San Diego Chapter**

### **Item 13 of the 61st Session of the UN Human Rights Commission**

#### **Statement on People's Republic of China's Violation of the Rights of the Child**

United Nations Association - San Diego reiterates its strong support for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Rights of the Child declared in many United Nations declarations, resolutions and treaties.

In this context, we ask the independent expert on the study of violence against children to pay a close attention to the plight of children in China. The People's Republic of China, in its reply to the questionnaires to governments, and its statement in this item, has enlisted many laws and rules it has established to safeguard the Rights of the Child. Laws and rules, however, do not come alive and apply themselves on their own. When law enforcement is instructed to ignore and violate these laws and rules, they became only the masks and a defense for the PRC to deflect international criticisms, rather than genuine move towards rule of law.

The PRC's outrageous treatment of children of Falun Gong practitioners is a particularly

shocking example. The violent persecution against tens of millions of Falun Gong practitioners has gone on for five years, breaking apart millions of families by police killings, abductions, arbitrary detentions, and enslavement in forced labor camps, and causing countless children to lose their parents, in many cases both of them.

The Chinese police do not stop there, however. With the instruction from the central government stating that "No measure is too excessive against Falun Gong," children have become direct targets of police violence. Our information indicates at least five children, as young as 8-months-old, have died from police mistreatment, dozens have been incarcerated, tortured, or subjected to forced labor, and hundreds have been expelled from schools. Quite a few such cases have been reported to the Commission by the Special Rapporteurs of various thematic mandates. In particular, the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, the Special Rapporteur on torture have sent a joint urgent appeal to the PRC on June 10, 2004, concerning a four-year-old girl whose parents are Falun Gong practitioners. This girl was abducted by the police on January 1, 2004, and her whereabouts are still unknown at this time.

UNA - San Diego strongly protests the continued violation of the letter and spirit of UDHR by PRC. We urge the Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights to act within its power to take action in this grave situation, including assigning a Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in China.

***Proclamation of Falun Dafa Day, City of Louisville, Kentucky***

*Mayor Jerry E. Abramson of the City of Louisville, Kentucky, proclaimed May 13, 2005 as Falun Dafa Day in the City of Louisville, Kentucky.*

Louisville  
Office of the Mayor

**Proclamation**

Greetings to whom all these presents shall come, know ye that

**May 13, 2005**

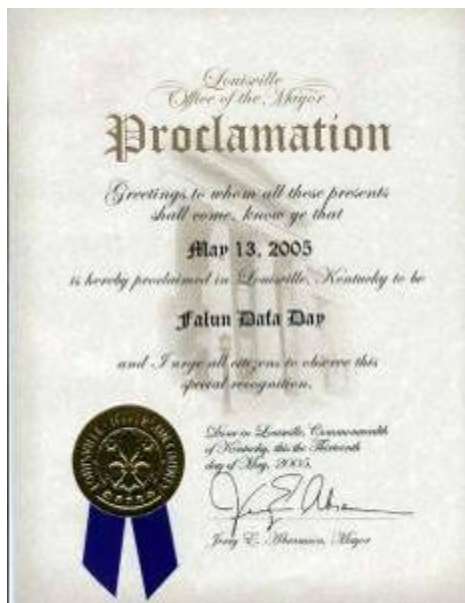
Is hereby proclaimed in Louisville, Kentucky to be

**Falun Dafa Day**

And I urge all citizens to observe this special recognition.

Done in Louisville, Commonwealth of Kentucky, this the Thirteenth Day of May, 2005.

Jerry E. Abramson, Mayor



***Student Organization from California State University in Chico Passes  
Resolution against the Silencing of Falun Gong in China***

Resolution expressing opposition of the Chinese Communist Government's persecution and acts of atrocity against Falun Gong practitioners.

Whereas, at numerous colleges and universities in California and across the United States, the student body includes Falun Gong practitioners, and student organizations include Falun Gong Associations;

Whereas, Falun Gong is a peaceful self-cultivation practice deeply rooted in traditional Chinese culture, with tens of millions of practitioners in over 60 countries; and

Whereas, Falun Gong practitioners aspire to have inner peace and physical health through qigong exercise, meditation, and adherence to the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance; and,

Whereas, Falun Gong is non-religious, completely voluntary, and free of charge; and,

Whereas, the Constitution of the People's Republic of China provides to the citizens of that country freedom of speech, assembly, association, and belief; and,

Whereas, on July 20, 1999, former Chinese Communist Party leader Jiang Zemin, in spite of much opposition from within the Chinese government, officially banned the practice of Falun Gong and initiated a brutal campaign of brainwashing, torture and murder, which continues today; and,

Whereas, former Communist Party leader, Jiang Zemin threatened the entire country of China with a genocide of conscience, exercised power over all parts of society to force the persecution on the government and the people and tried to exercise the genocide of conscience overseas; and,

Whereas, demonstrations by Falun Gong practitioners in the People's Republic of China and the United States have always been peaceful, meditative sessions; and,

Whereas, the 2003 US Department of State Annual Human Rights report that, police often used excessive force when detaining peaceful Falun Gong protesters, including some who were elderly or who were accompanied by small children; and,

Whereas, Falun Gong practitioners in China have suffered a horrific persecution in which tens of thousands of people have been tortured while confined to labor camps, prisons, and mental hospitals, and hundreds of thousands have been forced to attend brainwashing classes; and,

Whereas, the number of verified deaths from torture has reached 1583 as of April 6th, 2005; and,

Whereas, there has been daily slander and defamation from the Chinese state media, which enjoys a monopoly on newspapers, television, radio and Internet; and,

Whereas, the Jiang Zemin Regime has additionally been using illicit means to harass, intimidate and physically assault Falun Gong practitioners in the United States; and,

Whereas, Dr. Charles Lee, a United States citizen and Falun Gong practitioner, has reportedly been mentally and physically tortured since being detained by Chinese authorities on January 22, 2003; and

Whereas, The persecution of Falun Gong and control of thought has been particularly harsh at universities across China, where at least 61 professors and students have been murdered, thousands have been sentenced to prisons and brainwashing camps and many more have been fired from their jobs or expelled from school because of their affiliation with Falun Gong; and

Whereas, in one incident, Chengdu University Associate Professor Zhang Chuansheng died in prison after being arrested for his involvement with Falun Gong. Prison authorities claimed he died of a heart attack, but witnesses who saw his body claimed he had been severely beaten; and,

Whereas, the 2004 US Department of State Annual Human Rights report that China's human rights violations have also extended to religious practices such as Christianity and others within China; and,

Whereas, millions of Christians in China continue to live and worship in fear and uncertainty, despite the communist government's denials that persecution is taking place; and

Whereas, Christians who are not affiliated with a state-sanctioned church institution face harassment, fines, job discrimination, imprisonment, torture, and sometimes death; Therefore be it resolved, that we the Associated Students Government Affairs Committee opposes the persecution and human rights violations of Falun Gong practitioners in Mainland China and abroad; Therefore be it further resolved that we condemn the persecution and human rights violations of Christians and other religious/spiritual practices by the Chinese Communist Government in mainland China and abroad.

## Media Reports and Opinions



## ***German Newspaper Report: "The Citizens of Bueran Show Their Understanding"***

The following article was published in the German newspaper WAZ on April 18, 2005

Andreas Steinau and Kea Kong are fighting human rights abuses in China. Last Saturday, they informed the inhabitants of Bueran about this topic and collected signatures for a petition campaign.

Steinau, who is from Bochum, and Kea, who is from Gelsenkirchen, are practicing Falun Gong, an ancient Chinese meditation and cultivation practice. However, although Falun Gong originated in China, the country has lost its internal balance. "Falun Gong practitioners are being persecuted," says Steinau. He even maintains that Falun Gong practitioners are being detained in forced labor camps.

This terrible situation has caused Andreas Steinau to take a closer look at the human rights situation in China. He has been practicing Falun Gong for five years, after taking a free course in his hometown.

After collecting some background information, he and others who share his beliefs started a private campaign to explain the situation to the public in cities of the heavily industrialized Ruhr region in Northern Germany. They are collecting petition signatures protesting against the persecution in China. "We will send the signatures to the Committee for Human Rights in the German Parliament," says Steinau. His goal is a diplomatic and peaceful solution to the conflict between the communist regime and supporters of Falun Gong.

"Falun Gong is a system of meditation, exercise movements and high moral standards," he says. Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance, as well as understanding are his highest priorities.

The citizens of Bueran understood his mission as soon as he set up his small stall in front of the People's Bank in Gobergplatz Square. Steinau was very impressed by the positive reception because he and his helpers have previously had to deal with some amount of hostility. The thirty-six-year-old is happy that there was a lot of interest and that so many people signed the petition. He is hopeful that the collected signatures will have an effect.



## ***AFP Report: Two Falun Gong Practitioners Will Appeal Singapore Court Verdict***

According to a report from AFP on April 27, two Falun Gong practitioners were detained in Singapore on Wednesday after refusing to pay court-imposed fines for handing out VCDs in public that promoted their spiritual belief, their lawyer said.

The report said that Chinese national Cheng Lu Jin, 37, was fined 24,000 Singapore dollars (14,600 US) on Wednesday, while Singaporean Ng Chye Huay, 39, was fined 20,000 dollars.

Defence lawyer Alfred Dodwell told AFP his clients felt they had been treated unfairly by the law and would appeal the verdict. "We will continue to do what is necessary to bring to the attention of all parties concerned that everybody has rights," Dodwell said.

According to the report, Singapore Falun Buddhist Society spokeswoman Diana Wang said in a statement the city-state was the only country outside China that had brought charges against Falun Gong practitioners for carrying out [truth-clarification](#) activities.

The report quoted Diana Wang's words, "Such activities are conducted on a daily basis by Falun Gong practitioners worldwide to bring attention to the inhumane persecution and the atrocities committed against Falun Gong practitioners in China since July 1999."

## Falun Gong Practitioners' Personal Experiences



## ***My Acute Leukemia Disappeared within Two Weeks of Practicing Falun Gong***

By Sang Yang (nickname), Acheng City, Heilongjiang Province, China

One day in October 2003, I suddenly developed a very high fever and went to the hospital immediately. The doctor could not help. My family took me to Harbin City for better treatment. The Harbin City Blood Research Institute and the Second Hospital of Harbin Medical University diagnosed me with acute Leukemia (M3 type). My red blood cells were less than one third of the normal count, and my platelets were less than one fifth of the normal quantity.

The doctors informed my family that "she could live for only several days. Even if we find an effective medicine, she cannot survive much longer. Currently there is no way in the world to cure this disease." My family sold almost everything in the house that could be sold and also our land to pay my medical bill. Everyone understands what this situation means for a farmer. In China, many people cannot afford medical care. After being hospitalized for 40 days at the Second Hospital of Harbin Medical University, the doctors said, "You peasants have no money. It would not help even if you had any. You must depend on chemotherapy to be kept alive." I left the hospital, because my family had no more money.

After leaving the hospital, I met a Falun Gong practitioner who introduced the practice to me. Miracles occurred within two weeks after I began practicing. I fully recovered, and can again work as healthy person. I can even work in the fields in the cold winter. I am very happy. After the Chinese lunar New Year, I found a new job. I have spent all my free time studying the Fa and doing the exercises. I have become very healthy, and I have not caught a cold or needed any medicine since then.

I benefited from practicing Falun Gong. This is a fact. Falun Gong has given me a second life. I am writing this article to let people know how good Falun Dafa is.

## ***Falun Gong Saved My Life***

By Wang Huijun from China

I am Wang Huijun and I'm 73 years old. I live in the small district of Sichuan Transportation University Living Compound, Jinniu District, Chengdu City. I became a Buddhist in 1987.

I suffered from high blood pressure for many years. On September 17, 2004, I suddenly bled heavily when I had a bowel movement. My daughter took me to the emergency room of the Third Hospital of Chengdu City, where I was diagnosed with stomach and rectal cancer. Both cancers occurred simultaneously. It was too late to have surgery. If the cancers were surgically removed, the cancer cells would spread faster. Oral medicine and injections could only temporarily slow down their growth.

Thus, the only thing I could do was wait to die. At that time, whenever I had a bowel movement, there was a full basin of blood. I became emaciated, had no strength at all and could not move. I was bedridden and needed the assistance of two people in order to move. It was no different than being paralyzed.

My illness dragged along until September 2004. Before my final days, I wanted to see my 82-year-old sister in Ziyang City. To satisfy my wish, my children took me to the house of my niece in Ziyang. Ms. Zhang, from my niece's work unit, saw me and she was very concerned about my health. She told me that she was a Falun Gong practitioner. She said that the compassion of our Teacher and Falun Gong could save me. She told me, "If you silently recite sincerely 'Falun Dafa is good' and 'Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good,' your illness may recover."

I did not believe it. I thought to myself, "I recited 'Buddha Amitabha' for 17 years; I had never seen a God, Buddha or Bodhisattva so revealing." Moreover, I said many disrespectful words against Falun Gong. All the people in my sister's family said to me, "Your illness is so serious; you should not say those words. The words of practitioners are true, and we have witnessed the recovery from two sick persons. Falun Dafa is indeed magnificent!" Then, with a "let's give-it-a try attitude," I started to silently recite, "*Falun Dafa is good, Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good,*" from my heart. Eight days later (on the evening of September 22), I suddenly felt very comfortable, and my body became relaxed and warm. I wanted to stand up and walk. Indeed, I stood up and walked out of the door. Then, I heard all the members of my sister's family shout, "Falun Dafa is good!" in unison. Thus, I stood on my feet again. I no longer bled when

having bowel movements. My eating and sleeping became normal. I became energetic and relaxed. I could even do household chores.

On September 29, I felt that I had completely recovered, and I threw the 1000 [yuan](#) worth of medicine into the trashcan.

On October 12, I took a bus and returned to Chengdu City by myself. The unexpected happiness of our family attracted neighbors, friends, and people who believed in Buddhism to our house. Some people asked me "How did you regain your life?" Some people jokingly asked, "How much did you hand out under the table in order to cheat death?" I said, "I did not go to the hospital, I did not take medicine, and I did not have any injections. Falun Gong saved me. All I did was recite 'Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance, and Falun Gong are good' for eight days and my illness was gone."

Thus, many of our fellow Buddhists learned of this incident. About 20 people started to recite "Falun Dafa is good; Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good." After a short period of time, many people recovered from their illnesses. They all said that they were determined to practice Falun Gong, and they needed such a righteous Fa.

Today, I am making a special trip to Ziyang City to thank Ms. Zhang for the life saving advice to repeat "Falun Dafa is good" and "Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good," to ask somebody to write my story so other people can also be saved, to look for Falun Gong books and to ask people to teach me the five sets of exercises.

Falun Dafa is good! Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good!