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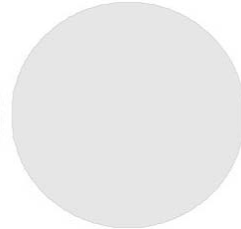
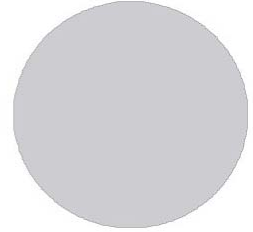
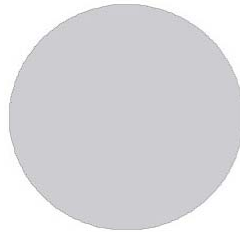
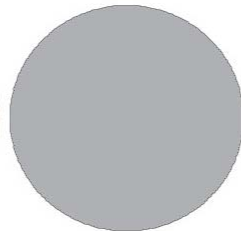
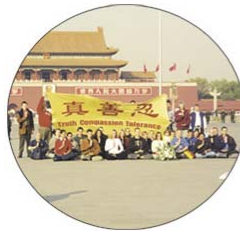
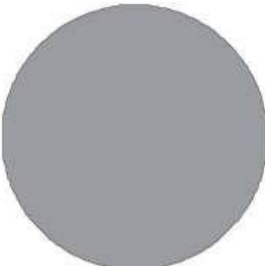


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News and Events from Around the World



New York: Practitioners Protest CCP "Same Song" Performance

At noon on January 15, 2006, Falun Gong practitioners gathered in front of the Chinese Consulate in New York to protest the Chinese Communist regime's plan to stage a performance of the "Same Song" in New York. In China, the "Same Song" is part of a program of persecution used to systematically brainwash and ["transform"](#) Falun Gong practitioners.



Falun Gong practitioner makes a speech



Falun Gong practitioners protest in front of Chinese Consulate

Spokesperson Levi Browde made a speech at the rally. He pointed out that the "Same Song" is well-known in forced labor camps in China. Over the years it has become a tool for the CCP to kill people by subtle means, and has been used to destroy Falun Gong practitioners psychologically. In forced labor camps, whenever there is an important activity slandering Falun Gong, the song would be sung. When a Falun Gong practitioner is brainwashed, the first thing is not writing the [Three Statements](#), but singing the "Same Song." Once detainees in forced labor camps hear it, they know someone has been brainwashed. Behind the singing are ruthless violence and malicious deception, the brutality of the CCP's persecution of human rights and the human spirit. Practitioners are opposed to the performance of the "Same Song" as a Chinese New Year's celebration, as the CCP plans to do in New York and other cities over the next few weeks.

Mr. Browde read three points of appeal: First, we call for the American government to refuse these performers to enter the U.S. because it is a disgrace to the founding principles of our nation. Second, we call for the Radio City Music Hall to cancel this performance, because it is a shame to allow the CCP dictatorship to take advantage of the reputation of the Radio City Music Hall to justify its persecution of Chinese people. Third, we call for all New Yorkers, and indeed all Americans to recognize the brutality, falsity and deception behind the drama, let us be together to boycott this performance that is full of hypocrisy and insidiousness.

Ms. Wang, a Falun Gong practitioner who was successfully rescued to the U.S. several months ago especially pointed out that "The Same Song" has been widely used in forced labor camps, brainwashing centers and prisons in China to reform and persecute Falun Gong practitioners. She recounted her personal experience in 2003 when she was sentenced to forced labor for a year. She was repeatedly tortured and humiliated. One of the psychological torments was that the guards and collaborators [*former Falun Gong practitioners who have renounced their practice due to torture and brainwashing and assist in persecuting practitioners*] attempted to intimidate, coerce and deceive her into singing the "Same Song." On one occasion, a practitioner who had been reformed told her, "These hoodlums raped you, but also force you to sing a song to say their rape was correct." As Ms. Wang refused to renounce her belief, and refused to sing the song. She was subjected to brutal torture including being deprived of sleep, exposed to the burning sun and forced to sit on a small stool.

Ms. Wang pointed out that in Chinese forced labor camps, if you don't sing the "Same Song," the guards and collaborators would think you have not reached their standard, and would not release you home and would continue to torture you. Whenever we heard this song ring out in the labor camp, we knew it meant someone had just been 'broken'--forced to renounce his/her belief under high-pressured brutal torture and brainwashing.

Ms. Wang called upon the American people to see clearly the blood and tears and destruction of human nature behind the "Same Song," and stand out to stop this bloody exportation.

Falun Gong practitioner Chen Gang pointed out that amidst torture and death threats and ruthless violence in forced labor camps, the CCP uses this song to brainwash Falun Gong practitioners, and instigate people to give up their faith and dignity. In June 2000, for not renouncing his belief, Chen Gang was sent to a forced labor camp where he experienced all kinds of torture from intimidation, threats, ever escalating hard labor, physical punishment and sleep deprivation. In February 2001, Chen Gang succumbed after the brutal torture. The following day, with wounds covering every corner of his body, Chen Gang laid on the ground. The guards summoned a meeting of the whole division, and also brought Falun Gong practitioners from other divisions who refused to be reformed to attend. Amid cries and shouts, the guards and collaborators sang the "Same Song" to celebrate their "reformation" of Chen Gang. Chen Gang has since recanted his reformation.

The brutal persecution of Falun Gong continues today. The CCP's skillful tactics of deception and propaganda that intend to fool people are still constantly staged, and have even been exported outside China. The number of people who have been persecuted by the CCP is in the hundreds of millions. It changed its face thousands of

times to deceive the people, but it has never changed its nature of harming and enslaving the people.

Falun Gong Practitioners File Lawsuit Against Assailants in Argentina

On December 14, while conducting a peaceful protest in front of Argentinean Congress against visiting Chinese official Luo Gan, Dafa practitioners were assaulted by thugs deployed by the Chinese Embassy. The assailants also grabbed practitioners' banners and [truth-clarification](#) photo displays. When the incident happened, Argentinean police stood by and didn't take any action to stop the violence. On December 16, the assaulted practitioners retained attorney Alejandro Cowes to sue the assailants and the police officers who refused to take action to protect the practitioners.



Amnesty International Argentina Holds press conference: Left: Pablo Marsal, chair of AI; Middle, attorney Alejandro Cowes, Right: a local practitioner

CCP thugs assault practitioners in Argentina

Since 1999, Falun Gong practitioners have been brutally persecuted in Mainland China. Luo Gan, a member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese Communist Politburo, is one of the chief perpetrators of the persecution. On December 13, 2005, while Luo Gan was visiting Argentina, Falun Gong practitioners in Argentina, on behalf of all Falun Gong practitioners who have been suffering persecution in China, filed a criminal lawsuit against Luo in federal court, accusing him of committing the crimes of genocide and torture during the persecution campaign against Falun Gong. The very next day, outside the Argentine Congress, practitioners were assaulted by thugs deployed by the Chinese Embassy.



On December 14, during Luo Gan's visit to Argentina, the Chinese Embassy sent thugs to assault practitioners who were protesting the persecution. They wore white or red clothing with a green tag (Photo by Carlos Carbone)

When the assault occurred, Luo Gan was about to go to the Congress to meet with Argentina's vice president. Practitioners displayed banners to protest the persecution and in particular, Luo's crimes. They also distributed information to members of congress about the lawsuit against Luo and evidence of Luo's crimes. All of a sudden, Chinese men appeared and violently took away practitioners' banners, truth-clarifying fliers and personal property. They also viciously assaulted practitioners, right in front of the media. Some Argentinians tried to stop the violence; however, they were assaulted as well and some were injured.



A number of Argentinians tried to stop the assault and were also attacked; some were injured. (Photo: Carlos Carbone)

Surprisingly, on-duty police officers didn't take any action to stop the violence. Reportedly they were ordered by higher authorities not to stop the assailants.

While the Chinese Embassy to Argentina and the assailants were the direct perpetrators of the assault, the chief culprit behind-the-scenes was Luo Gan.

Luo Gan, as Secretary of the Political and Legislative Affairs Committee of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Central Committee and head of the [610 Office](#), directly

planned, deployed and directed the persecution against Falun Gong. In order to gain personal political capital, he arbitrarily murdered Falun Gong practitioners, implicated, coerced and threatened millions of families, and created countless family tragedies and was responsible for wrongful arrests. He manipulated the political and judiciary system, and made use of the country's propaganda machinery to spread lies to the world to distort and demonize Falun Gong cultivators, to mislead the public. He also wantonly arrested and detained Falun Gong practitioners on a large scale across the country to inhumanly and ruthlessly persecute them.

After Jiang stepped down, Luo Gan continued to push the persecution of Falun Gong so as to force the new leaders to take responsibility. This year, he directed a new round of arrests of Falun Gong practitioners, which has led to frequent torture and death cases. Many extremely despicable cases have occurred. In addition, he brings persecution and injustice wherever he goes.

Amnesty International Supports Falun Gong

Initially, there was some confusion among Argentinean media about this incident. Some reported that the assault was a fight between two groups of Chinese who had different opinions. Regarding this confusion, on the afternoon of December 16, Amnesty International (AI) held a press conference to clarify the facts about the incident. The representative of AI said that AI cannot tolerate the fact that a criminal guilty of genocide came to Argentina and directed thugs to assault Dafa practitioners. Citing an eye-witness account, a spokesperson said: "This is Argentina, not communist China."

In a statement issued at the press conference, AI Argentina Chairperson Mr. Pablo Marsal stated, "Amnesty International has always supported Falun Dafa. It is also not the first time that this group was assaulted in our country. Amnesty International's annual reports, which are well known around the world, relate the human rights violations in China against different spiritual and social groups. The most striking fact in our country is that, for the second time, we see that a certain group connected to officials of the Chinese government, assaults with impunity, in Argentine territory, in front of the Congress of the nation, a peaceful group which is known all over the world as a spiritual group. For this reason, it is totally incomprehensible.

Huang Guohua and His Daughter Leave Thailand for New Zealand



Falun Gong practitioners in Thailand see Huang Guohua and his daughter off at the airport

At 4:00 p.m. on Jan. 15, 2006, in the departures area of the Bangkok International Airport in Thailand, Falun Gong practitioners held a farewell ceremony for Huang Guohua and his four-year-old daughter, Huang Ying, who would soon fly to New Zealand. Prior to this, Huang Guohua had been illegally detained at the Bangkok Immigration Detention Center for a month for protesting in front of Communist regime's Embassy in Thailand over Chinese police acts of violence. Through Falun Gong practitioners' efforts and with help from the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) and the New Zealand government, Huang Guohua and his daughter were eventually freed to be resettled by the UNHCR in New Zealand.



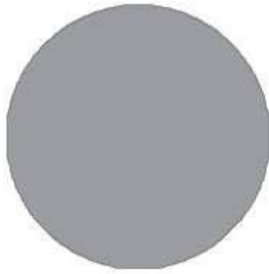
Huang Guohua makes a speech

Huang Guohua said in his short speech, "I hope that the Thai government can stand on the side of righteousness and bravely release the four Falun Gong practitioners still detained. Thailand should repent its unethical actions."

Falun Gong practitioners' representative Chen Hua said, "Today, I'm happy and sad. I'm happy because Huang Guohua and Kaixin (nickname of Huang Ying) will ultimately head for true freedom! I'm sad because they were escorted to the airport by the Thai Immigration police, and deported like criminals, which, by succumbing to the CCP and participating in the persecution of Falun Gong, has been a big disgrace for Thailand. Here I express my appreciation to New Zealand for embracing Falun Gong practitioners to her broad bosom."

Background of the incident: On December 10, 2005, Falun Gong practitioners in Thailand came to the Chinese Embassy in Bangkok to protest Chinese policeman He Xuejian's recent torture and rape of two women practitioners who were in detention in China. After going in and out of the Chinese Embassy, several dozen Thai police came across the street and manhandled some of the peaceful protesting practitioners. The police forcibly dragged some of the practitioners away, searched their bags and took away their banners and checked their IDs, causing injury to the practitioners and their personal belongings. Some Thai police officers revealed that they did not want to interrupt practitioners' peaceful protest, but the Chinese Embassy pressured them to do so. On December 15, at the behest of the Chinese Embassy, Thai police without cause arrested eight Falun Gong practitioners who were peacefully protesting in front of the Chinese Embassy. Four practitioners remain in detention.

Facts of the Persecution



Ms. Liu Shufen in Critical Condition after a Seven-Month Hunger Strike

Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Liu Shufen has been on a hunger strike for nearly seven months, and her condition is now critical. The administration of the Harbin Women's Prison is still covering up the facts and treating her family very rudely when they visit. More details follow:

In the middle of May 2005, police arrested Ms. Liu, who is from Daqing City, Heilongjiang Province. They picked her up from the place she had been staying since she was forced to leave home to avoid imminent arrest there. She was sentenced to eight years in prison by Rang District Court in Daqing City. Confined in Heilongjiang Province Women's Prison (located in Harbin City), Ms. Liu Shufen has been tortured with methods known as the Big Hang Up (1) and [Locking up in a small cell \(2\)](#). She has also been brutally tortured by having her legs stretched from a hanging position, having her hands cuffed 24 hours every day, being hung from a rail with her hands cuffed behind her back (3), and being denied sleep or use of a toilet.

On June 6, 2005, Ms. Liu Shufen began a hunger strike to protest her illegal imprisonment. Her hunger strike continues today. Her parents have visited her many times but face numerous obstacles from the prison administration. They are trying very hard to rescue her, their only daughter, but she has been on a hunger strike for seven months, and her life is in danger.

On the morning of December 29, 2005, Ms. Liu mother Wang Yanxiang went to the prison to visit, requesting that her daughter be given a medical parole. Ms. Liu's mother brought with her a letter of appeal for the warden. The guards told her the warden was not in so Ms. Wang waited until the afternoon, but the warden was still absent. Ms. Wang was waiting in the hallway and pushed her appeal letter through an opening in the door. The guards were very angry with Ms. Wang and ignored her request to pass on the letter to the warden.

Ms. Wang insisted on seeing her daughter and refused to leave unless she saw her. Guards then arranged to let her see her daughter Liu Shufen with plate glass between them, using a telephone to communicate. Three guards listened to their conversation. Ms. Wang found her daughter in bad shape; sunken eyes and emaciated. Her daughter did not smile and the guards told her she was carried out on a chair. Ms. Wang refused to leave since her daughter was obviously in such critical condition. Prison administration previously refused her medical pass request saying she was not sick enough. But even though she is now in such a dangerous state, they still refuse to let her out.

Ms. Liu Shufen's mother Ms. Wang was finally dragged out by guards Li Bin (female) and Xiao Lin (male).

Mrs. Fu Guiying Dies from Persecution After Her 18-year-old Daughter Passed Away

Falun Dafa practitioner Mrs. Fu Guiying and her family in Huolin Guole City, Inner Mongolia, persisted in practicing Dafa and were often persecuted. She and her husband, Zhang Jianlong, were arrested and held at a labor camp. Their young daughter Zhang Yichao was forced to write a weekly statement by the CCP secretary at her school cutting off her relationship with her parents. She was expelled from school and had to work to provide for herself. She passed away on April 6, 2005. Due to long-term persecution by CCP, her mother, Ms. Fu Guiying, died on December 17, 2005.

Ms. Fu Guiying was 47 years old and had started practicing Dafa in 1997. She became free of illnesses and gradually gained a deeper understanding of Dafa. Her daughter, Zhang Yichao, started practicing Falun Gong in 1998. She was outgoing and vivacious and adored by her parents, relatives and friends.

In July 1999, Jiang Zemin's villainous group started persecuting Falun Gong. Ms. Fu went to Beijing to [clarify the truth](#) about Dafa in September 1999. She was illegally sentenced to forced labor in December 1999. At that time, the local schools launched a campaign to force students to sign a document attacking Dafa. Zhang Yichao refused to sign the document. Meng Xianmin, the No. 4 Middle School Party Committee secretary in Huolin Guole City, persons from the the Huolin Guole City [610 Office](#), and the police department threatened to expel her from school and tried to coerce her many times to write a [guarantee statement](#). In June 2000, Zhang Yichao's father, Zhang Jianlong, was arrested, and Zhang Yichao grew quiet.

On September 17, 2001, several practitioners held at Huolin Guole Detention Center were sentenced to forced labor. The police secretly took them to the Tumuji Forced Labor Camp at 3:00 a.m. without notifying the practitioners' families, and forbade the practitioners from bringing even a change of clothes. Ms. Fu and Mr. Zhang were dragged into and locked in the same police car. Their 14-year-old daughter, Zhang Yichao, was left at home alone. Fu Guiying said, "I have to see my daughter." Qin Baoku and Di Tuo from the National Security Division and the 610 Office said, "Who cares whether your daughter is dead or alive?"

On March 1, 2002, officials at Zhang Yichao's school refused to allow her to continue attending classes because her parents practiced Falun Gong. After her parents' company intervened, the school agreed to keep her, but Meng Xianmin, the school Party secretary, talked to her every week and forced her to write a weekly statement to "break away" from Dafa and her parents.

In May 2002, Zhang Yichao was at home alone when a dozen agents, including Qin Baoku, Zhao Xiufa, Di Tuo and Wu Liji from the Huolin Guole City 610 Office and from

the Nanguangchang Police Station, ransacked her home, looking for incriminating evidence against her parents. They broke the stove and the couch and turned the whole place upside down. On the evening of March 29, a group of kids who were brainwashed by Communist Party propaganda and therefore hated Dafa pounded on her door and broke many windows. She was extremely frightened.

By September 2002, Ms. Fu's weight had dropped from 165 to about 70 lbs. She was released on a medical pass. Her daughter, Zhang Yichao, became even more frightened of the evildoing people. She left home at the age of 15 and worked in Shenyang City and Dalian City. She contracted tuberculosis and lost consciousness several times. She passed away on April 6, 2005, in a hospital, at the age of 18.

Due to long-term harassment and persecution from the Chinese Communist Party and its accomplices, Ms. Fu Guiying passed away at 6:00 a.m. on December 17, 2005.

Mr. Li Yequan Unable to Walk Following Torture at Daqing Labor Camp

Falun Gong practitioner Li Yequan has been detained at Daqing Labor Camp since September 27, 2005. He has been on a hunger strike to protest the torture. The police handcuffed him to a bed and left the feeding tube in his nostril. By December 12, he had been on hunger strike for eighty-two days. When his family visited him, they observed that he was extremely weak and unable to walk. He could not raise his head and appeared to not even have the energy to raise his eyelids. His family could not hear what he said even listening close-up.

Mr. Li Yequan is thirty-eight years old. He was the former assistant director of the Shooting Bullet Factory plant. After the persecution started he had been repeatedly detained and forced to undergo brainwashing because he practices Falun Gong. On September 23, 2005, Li Yequan was once again arrested after being forced to leave home to avoid persecution. On September 27, he was sentenced to two years in a labor camp. He has been on hunger strike since, and he was brutally force-fed and tortured every day. Police officer Wang Yingzhou even force-fed him rice wine, spit into his mouth and poured cold water over him. He was handcuffed and chained for twenty-four hours with a feeding tube in his nose.

On December 12, when his family requested to see him at Daqing Labor Camp, they were given the runaround by police. They had to wait for seven hours before they were allowed seven minutes with him. The following is a brief account of what his family encountered that day:

At 8:30 a.m. on December 12, 2005, his family arrived at the office of director Liu, located in the discipline inspection division of Daqing Labor Camp. Mr. Li's family wished to decry the vicious deeds of police officer Wang Yingzhou, including force-feeding rice wine, spitting, and pouring cold water on Li Yequan. Director Liu immediately and stridently denied the accusations.

His family said, "Several years ago, the police beat inmates to death at this labor camp. We hope you can investigate this matter thoroughly. It is being responsible to Wang Yingzhou to stop his criminal conduct in time, and to prevent further deaths." Director Liu drove them out of his office in a rage.

Mr. Li's family then went to the discipline inspection office and told an assistant director named Shen the situation while someone else made a record of it.

His family later went to the office of Wang Yongxiang, the assistant director of the labor camp. They requested to see Li Yequan. Wang said rudely, "I will not allow you to see him. Come back in two years if you want to see him!" His family was left there with no

one to help them. At noon, Wang Yongxiang opened the door and said, "You get out of here!" His family refused to leave unless they could see Li Yequan.

In the afternoon, Wang Yongxiang and Wang Yingzhou returned to their offices. Mr. Li's family once again requested to see Li Yequan. Wang Yingzhou said, "Ok, I will take you to see him." His family then followed him to the receiving room of the 1st division. Wang Yingzhou then disappeared and was not seen again. Hungry and cold, his family waited there until 1:30 p.m. They asked for someone to contact Lai Zhonghui and Wang Yingzhou. Wang Yingzhou said over the phone that they could not see Li Yequan because Wang Yongxiang had not given permission.

His family finally found Wang Yongxiang in the office building. Wang said, "You cannot see him. That's it. You can complain to whoever you want. I am not scared." His family then asked, "Which law says Falun Gong practitioners' families cannot see them? What are you trying to hide?" Wang Yongxiang said, "I don't allow it. That's it - Absolutely not." Cold, hungry and humiliated, his family said tearfully, "We won't leave until we see him. We will stay here!"

Just like that, his family waited around for seven hours, from 8:30 a.m. until after 3:00 p.m. They were finally allowed to see Li Yequan. However, police officer Wang Yongxiang ordered that the entire meeting not exceed seven minutes. In addition, his family was not allowed to talk with Li Yequan. The family saw Li Yequan being carried in by some criminals. He was ashen, malnourished and extremely weak. He did not seem to have the strength to raise his head. His family could not hear what he said even from close up. It was a very sad sight to see.

Mr. Jiang Hanquan's Daughters Abducted and Held Hostage by Police

In order to capture Falun Gong practitioner Jiang Hanquan, police authorities in Guangdong Province took away Mr. Jiang's wife, his daughters and another of his relatives. His daughters are being held as hostages.

On December 13, 2005, at about 10:00 a.m., agents from Puning National Security Group, Chengdong Police Station, and a Shangtang Village security official searched Mr. Jiang Hanquan's house and confiscated his Falun Dafa books. After lunch, several agents came again, and tried to deceive Mr. Jiang's family, saying that they had come to return the books. The family refused to open the door, so the agents climbed over the courtyard wall and kicked the door, finally breaking into the house. They placed the books in the bedroom and took a photo of them. Mr. Jiang's mother, in her eighties, was terrified by the incident.

Four days later, ten police officials came and took away Jiang Hanquan's wife, Liu Chanduan, and his two daughters, Jiang Jiayin and Jiang Lanlan, who had tried to protect their mother from being taken. Mr. Jiang's mother was so terrified that she fell to the ground. The young adult relative who helped the elderly woman up was also arrested.

Liu Chanduan was returned home at noon by village security officials. She was left at the front door where she was found in a deep coma with her mouth foaming. No further information is yet available about her.

Another family member was threatened at the Chengdong police station. She was kicked in the face, and after a night of torture, she was released and was taken back home by a village security official.

The two daughters, Jiang Jiayin and Jiang Lanlan, were taken to the Puning Detention Center that night. Their elderly grandmother went there to ask for their release but the police official replied that her son, Mr. Jiang Hanquan, should do an exchange. The police official who searched Mr. Jiang's house on December 13 left a message for Jiang Huanquan, saying that Mr. Jiang had better see them at the 2nd Group, National Security Team, on the sixth floor of the building of Puning Police Department,

Mr. Xuan Huaiji from Zhangjiakou City is Being Tortured in Gaoyang Forced Labor Camp

At about 1:00 a.m. on October 10, 2005, eight police officers from Congli County Police Department of Zhangjiakou City broke into Falun Dafa practitioner Mr. Xuan Huaijie's home at Xiaoshuiquan Brigade, Yimatu Township, in Congli County. Zhang Guisuo, chief of the National Security Division and Song Chunbin, head of the Yimatu Township Police Sub-Station in Congli County, forced their way through the gate of the courtyard, smashed the door of Mr. Xuan's home, dragged him out of the bed, and did not allow him to get dressed.

The police blindfolded and handcuffed Mr. Xuan. The handcuffs were so tight that they cut into Mr. Xuan's wrists, and instantly the blood gushed forth and ran down his hands. Mr. Xuan shouted at the top of his lungs, "Falun Dafa is good!" The police left hastily. When Mr. Xuan's wife came out of the house they were already gone.

At about 2:00 a.m., the police brought Mr. Xuan to a hotel in Zhangjiakou City, and later sent him directly to Gaoyang Forced Labor Camp in Baoding City. Mr. Xuan shouted "Falun Dafa is good!" and "Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance is good!" all the way to the Gaoyang Forced Labor Camp. The police knew the warden, Liu Ning, at the No. 3 Division, Gaoyang Forced Labor Camp, thus Mr. Xuan was taken in without going through any procedures or documentation.



Scars on Mr. Xuan Huaiji's face

The guards locked Mr. Xuan alone. During the first three days, Mr. Xuan clarified the truth to the staff. On the third night, he began to practice the exercises. Four guards rushed in and pushed him to the ground and beat him. They kicked, punched, and slapped him in his face. His face was swollen and bruised. The guards asked Mr. Xuan while beating him, "Do you still want to practice Falun Gong?" Mr. Xuan answered firmly, "Yes, I do!" More beatings followed, however each time after the beating he would answer "Yes" in a firmer voice. Finally the guards had to send him back to his cell. Mr. Xuan then began to practice the exercises and the guards did not take any action. Mr. Xuan refused to perform any labor in the forced labor camp. He stayed in

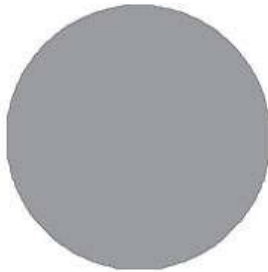
the cell for five days, and clarified the truth to the inmates. On the ninth day, Mr. Xuan went on a hunger strike. After three days, the guards dragged him to the hospital for force-feeding. They did not allow Mr. Xuan to dress properly, and he was bare-foot and only wore pants with a big hole in the knee. Mr. Xuan refused to get in the car to go to the hospital. The guards dragged him into the car, held him to the floor and then took turns beating him. His teeth became loose and his cheeks were swollen. As a result, he could neither sit nor stand.

In the hospital, Mr. Xuan refused to cooperate when the feeding tube was being inserted. Three guards and an inmate pushed Mr. Xuan to the ground and held his body, head and limbs. The weight of the four adults made Mr. Xuan see stars and caused tears to run non-stop. For a very long period of time he could not see things clearly. The guards used special pliers to force open his mouth, and his front teeth became loose. Then they inserted one tube down his throat and another down his nose. This caused Mr. Xuan extreme pain and he also faced the danger of suffocation at any moment. He was fed with a mixture of a bit of milk powder and a large amount of salt. They force-fed him three times a day. Each time when he was taken back from the hospital after this procedure the guards purposely drove fast on the rough road to increase Mr. Xuan's misery. Xian was emaciated from the hunger strike, and he was not allowed to wear warm clothes. The rough ride in the car caused him even more pain, but the guards took pleasure in it.

When coming back to the forced labor camp, the guards dragged him out of the car. The inmates pulled him by his clothes to the cell, while the guards kicked him from behind. Slowly, his shirt and pants were all torn. On the forty-first day of his hunger strike, he was beyond recognition and unable to talk. Mr. Xuan lost consciousness, and was as pale as a corpse. To avoid their responsibility, the guards released him on bail for medical treatment. They also wrote a [guarantee statement](#) and forcibly took Mr. Xuan's fingerprints and put them on the statement before they asked his family to pick him up. When his son came, the guards created many obstacles to make it impossible for him to meet his father. The guards used this trick to extort money from the family. They used three bags of milk powder and salt for force-feeding, for which they charged the family a thousand yuan. Mr. Xuan's son had to get a certificate of bail release from the local government and the local police sub-station.

On December 6, 2005, when Mr. Xuan was on the verge of death, the guards from Gaoyang Forced Labor Camp again asked his son to pick him up. This time, his son got a certificate from the local government, but the police sub-station refused his request. Nearly 80 villagers signed a petition requesting Yimatu Township to issue a certificate to release Mr. Xuan Huaiji immediately. When the guards at the forced labor camp learned that Mr. Xuan was really dying, they agreed to release him without even asking for a certificate. Upon returning home, Mr. Xuan's entire body was so swollen that he could not sit or move around.

People Awaken to the Truth



The Change in My Mother-in-Law

I am a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Province. After starting to practice Falun Gong, I always held myself to a high moral standard. I would often wash clothes, clean the house, buy fruit or clothes for my mother-in-law and treat her very well. My father-in-law was very pleased and would tell everyone he met that his son and daughter-in-law are very filial. My father-in-law used to practice Falun Gong before July 20, 1999. However, when the evil persecution began, he stopped practicing under the immense pressure. Nevertheless, he still knows the goodness of Falun Gong in his heart.

I would always help out with household chores nonstop whenever I visited them. Whenever I had a break, I would tell my mother-in-law about the benefits that my entire family gained from practicing Falun Gong. She would always remain quiet, not saying a word. Then, she would always tell my father-in-law after we left that she liked everything about me except for the fact that I practiced Falun Gong. There were two reasons. First, she was afraid of being persecuted herself, and secondly, her eldest son's wife had died even though she had tried a lot of qigong practices to heal her diseases. This led my mother-in-law to develop a very bad impression of all qigong practices.

After learning of my mother-in-law's obstacles, I [clarified the truth](#) to her patiently and answered her questions one after another.

I also told her about the extraordinary acts of practitioners. From then on, my mother-in-law would tell everyone she met that her daughter-in-law was a very good person.

Once, my mother-in-law saw one of her neighbors talking to me very enthusiastically. She asked me, "Why does that woman treat you so well?" I replied, "A few months ago her head turned and tossed involuntarily and her hands jerked very violently. She could barely take one step in half a day. Now, since I have taught her how to practice Falun Gong, she has completely recovered. She has only been practicing for three months." My mother-in-law was full of doubt and rushed out to personally ask the woman.

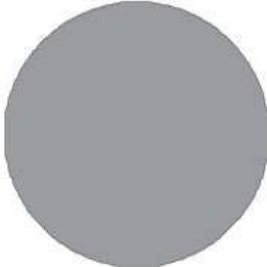
This woman, whose surname is Yu, is over 60 years old. More than 20 years ago, she contracted a lot of diseases after giving birth. She had constant pain in her legs, her head moved uncontrollably, and she could not tend to herself. From then on, her husband left her with her family. She told my mother-in-law, who was by now full of tears, that it was Falun Dafa that saved her.

One night, my mother-in-law could not fall asleep and remembered the woman's words. She began reciting "Falun Gong is good" in her heart, nonstop. Suddenly, she felt as if a big hand was at the top of her head fanning her. Thereafter, her head felt clear and renewed, more than ever before. She used to have to take medicine for high blood

pressure and pain in her legs. However, after she woke up she felt light all over her body and the pain in her head and legs was all gone. In the six months from the Chinese New Year to the present her health has improved tremendously.

Now, she tells her son, daughter, and all of her family and friends, "It is Falun Gong that cured me. I will never believe the lies on the television again!"

Voice of Justice



Italy: Provincia di Biella Official Writes to Falun Dafa Association to Express Support

Peace and Cooperation Commissioner
Cultural Education and Politics Ministry

Provincia di Biella

January 2, 2006

Respectful Italian Falun Dafa Association:

Subject: Violation of Falun Gong practitioners' human rights

During your conversation with one of my colleagues, you mentioned the ongoing violation of Falun Dafa (Falun Gong) practitioners' human rights in China. On behalf of the Peace and Cooperation Department of Provincia di Biella, I express our sympathy and support.

We have learned that the persecution of Falun Dafa practitioners started in 1999. To persecute practitioners, the regime has constantly changed forms of persecution such as torture, exile, forced-education in labor camps and slander propaganda. Such sheer violation of people's fundamental ideology, belief and freedom of expression and association is unacceptable. Regarding this issue, we recommend you join the Round Table Meeting on Peace of Provincia di Biella so that you can better spread the truth and let people know about the human rights situation in China.

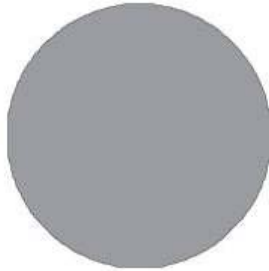
Sincerely

Commissioner of Peace and Cooperation

Dott. Davide Bazzini



Media Reports and Opinions



Kaleva (Finnish Newspaper): Chinese Embassy Interferes with Falun Gong Photo Exhibition

The Finnish newspaper *Kaleva* reported on September 17, 2005, that the Chinese Embassy had interfered with a photo exhibition arranged by Falun Gong practitioners in the city of Rovaniemi. According to the newspaper, the Chinese Embassy had contacted the library where the exhibition, "Peaceful Journey of Falun Gong," was held and tried to discourage the library from holding the exhibition.

The photo exhibition introduces Falun Gong and its history. It also exposes the crimes committed by the Chinese Communist regime against the practitioners of Falun Gong in China. The Chinese Communist regime has ordered the national police and security branches to brutally persecute and harass Falun Gong practitioners.

According to the information specialist at the library, a man from the Chinese Embassy called and said that the exhibition doesn't include correct information about Falun Gong. The embassy had asked for an opportunity to send their informational material about the issue.

The Chinese Communist regime has spread their propaganda all over the world through its embassies, in order to deceive people and seek justification for their campaign of persecution. In Canada, the spread of similar hate-inciting propaganda has already led to legal action on the part of Falun Gong against the perpetrators.

"The call from the Chinese Embassy does not affect what kind of exhibition we will have on the walls of our library. Our custom is that we'll let as many flowers bloom as possible," staff from the library said.

The exhibition, "Peaceful Journey of Falun Gong," has been touring across the libraries of North Finland and the feedback has been excellent.

The Commercial Dispatch, Mississippi: Area residents introduce Falun Dafa



Jason Wang, a native of China now living in Tuscaloosa, Ala., has something he wants to share with the world -- Falun Dafa.

Wang arrived in the United States, working at Houston University, in 1996, to pursue a doctorate degree in physics. That longtime dream dimmed, however, when Wang began experiencing problems with his eyesight.

Studying to prepare for his qualifying exam, Wang found he could focus to read for only a few minutes.

"My eyes would hurt after 10 to 15 minutes of looking at a computer screen," Wang says. "They would be very tired. I would have to stop and rest my eyes every 10 minutes. I went to see doctors at the Eye Institute at Texas Medical Center. They found I had some possible problem at the bottom of my eye."

Repeated tests, by different doctors, confirmed the diagnosis, but doctors offered no solution.

"The doctors said they couldn't do anything," Wang says. "They asked me to go home until it becomes worse. The doctors couldn't help me, so I started looking for something else in Chinese traditional medicine."

In China, at the end of 1999, Wang's mother had been involuntarily committed to a mental institution by the Chinese government. Her offense was practicing Falun Dafa, a series of meditation and exercises [to improve mind and body].

In Houston, Wang saw a flier at the university advertising a free Falun Dafa workshop, and decided to attend. He began completing the set of exercises and meditation whenever he had a few minutes to spare each day. Within weeks, his eyesight began to improve, and the pain gradually disappeared. His eyesight sharpened noticeably.

"I finished my Ph.D." says Wang, who now is conducting postdoctoral research at University of Alabama. "At the time I was having eye problems, I cried to my wife, 'How can I continue to study and get a degree, if I become blind?' This is how Falun Dafa helps you. This is why I want to help others ..."

Another story

"Starkville resident Chyi-Hong Lin has practiced Falun Dafa for four years. In 2000, his wife suffered severe back problems as a result of a car accident. Struck from behind by a vehicle, she survived with a compressed disc, a problem that that was being treated unsuccessfully at a pain clinic in Tupelo.

"She couldn't even empty a laundry basket," Lin says. "She was injected with steroids and it was painful; still she couldn't do anything. Without pain killers she couldn't even get up. We didn't know what to do."

In September 2001, Lin's father-in-law died, and his wife, despite her incessant pain, decided to visit her home in Taiwan. When she returned to Starkville three months later, Lin was amazed to find her health much improved. She had discovered Falun Dafa.

"In Taiwan, she would go for walks around in the morning and see people exercising, doing Falun Dafa, in the park," Lin says. "She joined them. Five months later, she was fully recovered, with no pills. She started Falun Dafa in November, and the next spring, in 2002, she went to work in our garden."

Lin's experience with Falun Dafa is personal as well. Having heard his wife's testimony about Falun Dafa over the telephone before she returned, he learned more about the practice from the Website...and joined her in the exercises. He says he soon was cured from problems with allergies.

What is it?

Stories such as Wang's and Lin's abound. Some claim to have overcome cancer tumors or incurable diseases. Those who have not heard of Falun Dafa or Falun Gong already probably will be hearing more soon. This ancient Asian practice, based on Buddhist philosophies, is the latest "new thing" to reach the Western world, and proponents say it is becoming quite popular in cities across the United States.

[...]

Radio Free Asia: Falun Gong Practitioner Condemns the Persecution by Chinese Communist Party (CCP)

Britain, a Falun Gong practitioner who was imprisoned in a forced labor camp for two years by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) condemned the CCP's persecution of Falun Gong practitioners with his own experience.

Radio Free Asia reported on December 31, 2005, that Ping Li from Zhejiang was imprisoned in a forced labor camp for persisting in Falun Gong practice. He witnessed and experienced the CCP regime's brutal persecution of Falun Gong practitioners.

Mr. Ping Li said, "I was released in 2003 after being imprisoned for two years. Because I practice Falun Gong, I wrote to the CCP regime and also told my friends about the facts of Falun Gong and exposed the [*anti-Falun Gong*] lies on TV in China. The police sent me to a forced labor camp for this."

Mr. Li was imprisoned in Shiliping Forced Labor Camp, Zhejiang Province. Camp guards brutally persecuted practitioners with various torture means to make them renounce their beliefs.

Mr. Li said, "The torture was going on when I was imprisoned. It became a spiritual persecution. In addition to actual physical torture was deprivation of sleep. No rest was allowed. In a special isolation cell, practitioners were under lights with strong UV emission for extended periods of time. After long time, one could not distinguish whether it was day or night, a condition similar to insanity. Deprivation of sleep was often utilized and was the most often-used means.

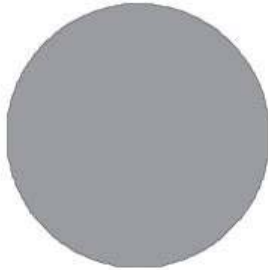
Mr. Li said, "I was deprived of sleep for a long time in the special isolation cell. The camp guards punched my face and did not allow me to eat. Sometimes they gave me a little food but mixed it with drugs. After being thirsty for quite a while, I asked for water. Initially they did not give me any. After a while, they gave me a little water and put drugs in it. After I drank, I felt very nauseous. One time I fainted after drinking. After I woke up, there was a strong smell of medicine in my mouth and nose. I looked at my image in a mirror and saw that my face was deformed and dark. Later, I did not know what time it was. In that state, it took me a long time to even blink. Their purpose was to have me feel that the torture was endless."

For a little over one year since he came to Britain, Mr. Li has persisted in practicing Falun Gong. He said, "Many practitioners are still imprisoned in forced labor camps. The CCP must immediately stop the inhuman persecution of Falun Gong practitioners."

Mr. Li said, "I feel a big burden whenever I recall the torture, because there are many people, including my friends, who are imprisoned in labor camps or even in prison. I

appeal on their behalf, to have more people know about the persecution and help end the persecution of so many innocent people."

Falun Gong Practitioners' Personal Experiences



*Every Villager Knows that My Liver Cancer Was Cured Through Falun
Dafa Practice*

I am 53 years old and live in Nangang District, Harbin City. I was fortunate enough to start cultivating Falun Dafa in March 1999. At first, my understanding of Falun Dafa was rather shallow. I simply felt that Falun Dafa was good because it taught people to be kind.

Four months after I learned the practice, Jiang and his gang began their brutal suppression of Falun Dafa. I became less diligent about my own cultivation.

In early 2002, I felt sick and went to a hospital for check-up. I was diagnosed with late-stage liver cancer. My family members persuaded me to undergo a period of medical treatments, which cost nearly 10,000 [yuan](#). However, my illness did not improve at all and even became more severe. Finally, I could not even bear to turn over in bed because I felt as if there were needles poking me from inside my body.

In my time of need, I remembered Falun Dafa. I realized that I should not have given up cultivating Falun Dafa. When this thought rose to my consciousness, my body immediately became more relaxed. Thereafter, I rejoined the path of cultivation in Falun Dafa. I studied the Fa and practiced the exercises every day. My body miraculously became better and better and I became relaxed and felt light. I knew that our Teacher had not given up on me. Every time I think of His compassion, my eyes fill with tears. I cannot accurately describe my feelings with words.

I have not taken any medicine in the last three years. On several occasions, I experienced symptoms of eliminating sickness karma. I passed these tests by applying the principles of Falun Dafa and strictly try to improve my moral character. Now I go everywhere to clarify the truth about Falun Dafa. No matter how far I walk I don't feel tired and my body feels very light. In fact, everyone in our village knows that my liver cancer was cured through my cultivation of Falun Dafa.

New Practitioner in China: Falun Dafa Helped Me Recover from My Drug Addiction

I would like to testify with my personal experience that whoever learns Falun Dafa will obtain endless benefits. Dafa has changed my entire life! Teacher Li Hongzhi saved me! Today I am a healthy man who will never touch a cigarette or wine anymore, and who has a harmonious family and an affectionate wife. I remember that in the past I was in a constant state of anxiety and never lived even one day pleasantly.

I became a drug addict when I was 16 years old and from that point on I was unable to control myself. In order to obtain drugs, I involved myself in all sorts of wrongdoings such as stealing, robbing, and deceiving people. My family members were unable to control me and neither could the law. I never listened to advice from anyone. I was muddled-headed and unable to rid myself of the addiction. The only thing slightly on the positive side was that I had not resorted to murder or arson. There is a principle. It is that whoever does wrongdoings will be met with tribulations. For so many years I never lived even a day of happiness and peacefulness. I was thrown in jail a few times, but I was still unable to get rid of drugs and kept involving myself in wrongdoings. From 1992 to one month ago, I threw away 13 years of my life. It wasn't only me that I hurt, but also my family. My father spat out blood from anger because of me; my wife cried all the time; and I became estranged from my relatives and friends.

In fact, I was also frustrated with myself. I really hoped that I could free myself from my addiction and begin a new life as a good person. I did not want to get my family members into trouble because they loved me so much; I did not want to break social norms as a result of my bad behavior; I did not want to live a life that's neither ghost nor human, but I was unable to commit myself to the changes I wanted to make. I became more and more addicted to drugs and my health became increasingly worse. I felt as if I was on the verge of death.

Fortunately my mother practiced Falun Gong and my family members had not given up on me. This year a Falun Gong practitioner from a city far away from my home came to help, and sent me precious Falun Gong books. That was how I started learning Dafa and simultaneously began letting go of the drugs. Surprisingly and magically, it only took me a few days to completely give up drugs. It was so easy and not painful at all. Compared with my previous drug quitting experiences, it was very different. I thought that my drug addiction was 10 times more severe than before and that this time I must suffer 10 times the pain before I began to quit, but it turned out to be just the opposite. I felt that it was a lot easier than before. It was so miraculous and wonderful! Right now, I've practiced Falun Dafa for a month. Over the course of the month, I got rid of not only my drug addiction but also my habits of smoking and drinking wine. I became more and more healthy and energetic.

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.

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")

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.

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.

Three Statements: Practitioners are coerced under brainwashing and torture to write "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.

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