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# An Update on Falun Dafa Worldwide

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## Concern over Deaths of Falun Gong Practitioners in Police Custody

(Clearwisdom.net) The Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group headquartered in California issued an appeal to world governments and media on August 22, 2008, to pay attention to Beijing's recent mass arrests of Falun Gong practitioners, particularly the cases in which practitioners died shortly after they were arrested.

The report stated: "(the Chinese government) used security concerns for the Olympics as a pretext to cleanse the whole country. As a result, a large number of innocent people have suffered incarceration and torture, and many have been killed, making them victims of the Beijing Olympics." "In the past few months, over 10,000 Falun Gong practitioners have been rounded up in various cities in China, and many have been tortured to death after only a few weeks in custody." The following are a few examples included in the appeal letter:









Mr. Bai Heguo Ms. Gu

Ms. Gu Jianmin

Mr. Gu Qun Mr.

Mr. Sun Guanzhou

**Mr. Bai Heguo,** 45, lived in Dengta City, Liaoning Province. He was arrested and taken to Nanguanling Prison in Dalian City, where he was tortured to death in two weeks. His body was covered with bruises; he had a cut on his tongue, which protruded from his mouth; his leg was broken; his testes had been crushed. The authorities cremated his body.

**Ms. Gu Jianmin**, 53, lived in Shanghai. She was healthy but she died 13 days after the police from the Yangjing Police Station in Pudong District, arrested her on March 1, 2008. Before she died, her husband saw her in a hospital. Her eyes were protruding and she was bleeding from the mouth. No one was taking care of her and the doctors soon declared her dead.

**Mr. Gu Qun,** 50, lived in Dalian City, Liaoning Province. On March 16, 2008, officers from the Tianjin Street Police Station arrested him while he was distributing Falun Gong informational materials. The next day they took him to the Yaojia Detention Center. After 2:00 p.m. on April 9, his family was notified that he had died.

**Mr. Sun Guanzhou**, 62, lived in Yuzhou City, Henan Province. He was a professor at Yuzhou City Education College. On March 3, 2008, Domestic Security agents arrested him. Shortly after his arrest, the authorities rushed him to a hospital. He died on March 9, within a week of his arrest.

**Ms. Zong Xiuxia** lived in the Fangzi District in Weifang City, Shandong Province. The police arrested her at 9:00 a.m. while she was shopping. She died after only four hours in police custody.

#### Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-

Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the most brutal and vicious persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



#### About Clearwisdom

Clearwisdom.net is the most authoritative source of information about the practice of Falun Gong and about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, reporting and events timely news happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

### Swedish Falun Gong Practitioners Host Activities at the Vasa Museum

(Clearwisdom.net) September 7, 2008, was a pleasant weekend in Sweden, with the air fresh after a light rain. Several Swedish Falun Gong practitioners went to the Vasa Museum, a famous tourist attraction in Stockholm, to introduce Falun Gong to tourists from different places around the world and to expose the Chinese Communist regime's cruel persecution of Falun Gong.

After watching the demonstration of Falun Gong exercises, a middle-aged Swedish couple, Malou and Jern, were disturbed by the photos of the cruel persecution on the display boards. They turned to a practitioner and asked, "Is it (referring to the persecution) true?" They were dumbfounded by the facts. Jern said that he did know about China's human rights situation, but he thought that China had undergone tremendous changes in recent years and that things there were getting better.

Overhearing their conversation, Torbjorn, a Western practitioner, joined in to clear up their confusion about China and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). Torbjorn explained that the CCP is not China and that it is the Chinese Communist regime that has perpetrated the atrocities against Falun Gong, including the harvesting of organs from living practitioners. Malou was shocked. She signed the petition right away and handed the pen to her husband.

Practitioners used facts to debunk the lies fabricated by the Chinese Communist regime to deceive people around the world. They also told the couple that under CCP rule, the CCP's propaganda machine has done nothing but cover up the regime's atrocities.

Jern nodded repeatedly and said, "I finally understand the real situation, and it seems that I was wrong." He signed the petition against the persecution of Falun Gong and took some informational literature before leaving with his wife.

In addition to this couple, others learned about Falun Gong and the persecution, including tourists from China and other places around the world.

#### The Wonder of Falun Dafa

I am 33 years old. Since my youth, I had been very weak and have suffered from various diseases. I often felt dizzy and had a stomachache. Medicine did not help. When I was 17, the muscles in my arms and legs started to degenerate. My belly became swollen and distended. I also became increasingly hunch-backed. By the age of 22, I weighed less than 66 lbs and my height was less than four feet. Terminally ill, I was extremely bony and remained in bed or a wheelchair all day long. My mother found me a Chinese medicine specialist. After examining me, he said that the "dry-blood syndrome" like my case had no cure in China or abroad.

When I was near death, a new family moved to our village. The grandmother practiced Falun Gong. She came to my home and read *Zhuan Falun* (the principal text of Falun Gong) to me every day and told me stories about practicing Falun Gong. Seven days later, I could sit up. I insisted on reading the book myself. After two weeks, I could get out of bed and walk.

She encouraged me to practice the Falun Gong exercises. At first it was difficult for me, but I persevered. One day, I had a stomachache and passed lots of bloody substances. I was pleasantly surprised that I felt very light afterward. Within six months, my muscles started recovering and I gained weight. Many people, from my village to the neighboring city, said that Falun Gong was miraculous and that my life had been saved by Falun Gong.

Today I want to sincerely tell everyone that Falun Dafa is good, Truth-Compassion-Forbearance is good!

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