Ten Charges against Jiang Zemin for his Persecution of Falun Gong

On April 25, 1999, Jiang Zemin started the crackdown on Falun Gong. In China this crackdown has severely damaged the natural ties of kindness and morality on which society depends. Based on a preliminary investigation, we charge Jiang with the following ten crimes.

I. Jiang Zemin is a dictator who has harmed China and its people.

Jiang Zemin has placed himself above the law in forcing practitioners to give up their belief in "Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance". In doing so, he has grossly violated the Chinese Constitution, which reads in part: "Citizens have the right of petition to governmental authorities......and the right to freedom of belief". He has also placed himself above the Constitution by labeling what the government had proclaimed a "star Qigong school" to be "an "illegal organization", "evil cult" and "reactionary force". Moreover, he has placed himself above the collective leadership and the "Constitution of the Chinese Communist Party" by making a claim that Falun Gong is a cult in an interview with reporters from Le Figaro prior to the opening of the Conference of People's Congress, and then subsequently forcing the People's Congress to enact legislation based upon his illegal claim. He has ignored the petitions of 100 million practitioners, disregarded the conclusions reached by official investigations, ignored the fact that Falun Gong is legal in more than 40 countries and has received numerous awards and honors worldwide, and neglected the condemnations of his persecution against Falun Gong from people all over the world.

II. Jiang Zemin is a brutal and ruthless ruler

According to our preliminary investigation, during Jiang Zemin's crackdown on Falun Gong, hundreds of thousands of people who went to appeal were mistreated, more than 50,000 practitioners were arrested and detained, over 10,000 sent to labor camps without any legal procedures, at least 600 have been sent to mental hospitals and treated with electroshock therapy and injections harmful to the central nervous systems, more than 500 sentenced to prison terms, countless practitioners have been beaten, injured and disabled, and millions of family members, friends and relatives of practitioners victimized. To date over 70 practitioners have been killed while in police custody.

Furthermore, over 40 different torture devices have been used on Falun Gong practitioners, including bamboo sliveers, which were forced in under practitioners' fingernails, the tiger-bench (an ancient instrument used to generate severe pain in a person's legs), burning the skin with fire, bites of poisonous snakes and scorpions, etc. This cruelty is unprecedented. Many have died, and many families were shattered. People cannot believe that such things are happening in the socialist China of the 21st century.

III. Jiang Zemin is a liar

The suppression of Falun Gong has no legal foundation. Jiang Zemin has fabricated stories and spread lies to the public. While deceiving the Chinese people through propaganda carried on the official media in China, Jiang has also lied to the world at large.

For instance, in the interview with Mike Wallace of the CBS show "60 Minutes," Jiang said, "Their leader Li Hongzhi claimed to be the reincarnated Bodhisattva and Jesus Christ. He said that the end of the world was drawing near and that the earth would explode." Under Jiang's guidance, CCTV (Chinese Central TV) altered a videotaped lecture of Mr. Li Hongzhi in which he explained that only cults would advocate the end of the world, the earth had already been destroyed several times and the much talked about destruction of the earth would not happen. The purveyors of Jiang's lies overlooked the fact that Falun Gong books and videos are available overseas (Jiang Zhemin wants to be free to characterize Li Hongzhi in whatever ways that suit him, and this one reason Jiang Zhemin confiscated and burned Falun Gong materials). The altered content cannot be found in any Dafa materials. What can be found is Mr. Li's saying in "My statement" (published July 22, 1999) that "I have never claimed that I am Sakyamuni (Buddha)." In the "Lecture in North America" (March 29-30, 1998), Mr. Li says, "I can proclaim here to everyone in all earnestness that all of those alleged catastrophes on earth, the doom of the universe and things of this sort in the year 1999, are absolutely non-existent." Once one sees in examples such as these how Jiang, the president of the country, can distort the truth and spread absolute fabrications at will about Li Hongzhi and Falun Gong, it is easy to see his hand at work in instigating the various other propaganda about Li Hongzhi, such as charges that he has "accumulated wealth", has a "luxurious apartment", has caused "1400 deaths" and will lead his followers to a "group suicide," etc.

IV. Jiang Zemin turns China itself into a fraud.

On April 25, 1999, the Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji met with the practitioners who had gone to the government to petition for Falun Gong and resolved the issue. The "Two Offices" also issued a notice saying that "People have the freedom to practice Qigong." Yet, in less than three months, a countrywide crackdown on Falun Gong began. The government's sudden and complete reversal of position was discrediting in the eyes of the public. Moreover, Jiang Zemin spread these absolute fabrications overseas, saying that "Falun Gong caused thousands of people to commit suicide", etc. While oppressing, torturing, and killing the practitioners of Falun Gong at home, he announced to the world that "China is enjoying the best period for human rights in its history." He even personally distributed booklets full of fabricated stories about Falun Gong to leaders of other governments. Many countries and international communities condemned the Chinese government's crackdown on Falun Gong after they learned the truth. The Chinese government has been greatly disgraced in the world community by Jiang's conduct.

V. Jiang Zemin has reversed China's progress

In order to crackdown on Falun Gong, Jiang placed himself above the law and started a ruthless persecution, which has jeopardized the reform of the social system and ruined the achievements and efforts made by several generations. The reform of both the Chinese legal and political

systems, which has been keenly anticipated for such a long time, was ruined by Jiang overnight. He has forbidden people to have their own beliefs and ideas, and sacrificed China's future to his own interests.

VI. Jiang Zemin is a conspirator

In late 1998, Qiao Shi and some retired senior leaders from the People's Congress investigated Falun Gong, making use of a large amount of feedback from the public. They concluded that "Falun Gong is beneficial to the society and the public," and submitted a report to Jiang at the end of the year. Because the report cited an ancient Chinese saying, "One who wins the hearts of the people wins the world; one who loses the hearts of the people loses the world", Jiang was very displeased. He immediately wrote a note in the report saying that it was too abstruse to comprehend, and then passed this to Luo Gan (Luo was in charge of the National Committee of Politics and Law). Luo Gan got the message and then staged with He Zuoxiu, his brother-in-law, the "Nanjing Incident" and the "7.20 Incident". Afterwards, Jiang put the blame on Falun Gong and made the state-run media broadcast fabricated reports to the public. In these reports peaceful appeals were termed "illegal gatherings and trouble-making"; the people's distrust of the government was said to be aroused by Falun Gong; the attempt to clarify the truth about Falun Gong was seen as a struggle with the Communist Party for public support;" the peaceful and legal petitions of Falun Gong practitioners in Tiananmen Square were labeled a "demonstration of Falun Gong's power to the Party and the public"; and the condemnations from countries around the world of the persecution of Falun Gong were made out to be "Falun Gong receiving patronage from foreign forces", etc. Jiang has tried to change the very meaning of words, as he has spread lies and deceived the public.

VII. Jiang Zemin is a ruthless killer

Falun Gong practitioners cultivate "Zhen-Shan-Ren" (Truthfulness-Benevolence-Forbearance), the characteristics of the Universe. Falun Gong teaches people to be good, elevates their morality, and helps people return to their original true selves. It also enables Falun Gong practitioners to petition with compassion at the risk of their very lives in order to clarify the truth to the government and the public. Among the people detained in the prisons are founders of the country, model workers, representatives of the People's Congress, outstanding scientists and engineers, citizens who have donated hundreds of thousands of Yuan RMB (Note: Chinese currency/by translator) to the underdeveloped provinces - in short, the backbone of the country. Jiang Zemin ordered that these people should be destroyed. They have been deprived of their social position, their economic well-being, their health and their lives. Under his direction, torturers have used over 40 devices on these practitioners in order to try to force them to renounce their belief in the principles of the Universe, "Zhen-Shan-Ren". As a result, over 70 people have died while suffering unspeakable horrors.

VIII. Jiang Zemin is the chief culprit that breaks the law and destroys social order.

Based upon the Chinese Constitution and the relevant codes of the People's Supreme Court, we hereby report to the Investigations Division of the People's Congress and the Supreme Court the following violations of law by Jiang Zemin, the Chairman of People's Republic of China:

On October 25, 1999, Jiang made a claim that "Falun Gong is a cult that harms the society and the public" in an interview with reporters from Le Figaro in France.

First, his statement is against the facts. Since Li Hongzhi first introduced the practice to the public in 1992, Falun Gong, unlike other ordinary Qigong practices, has required its practitioners not only to practice the exercises but also to cultivate their minds and hearts, elevating their moral standards until they reach the realm of "unselfishness" in which they "put others' interests before oneself." It is completely different from evil cults.

Second, his claim has violated Code No.80 of the "acts of the chairman of the People's Republic of China" in the Chinese Constitution that "the chairman of the People's Republic of China issues the mobilization orders according to the resolutions approved by the People's Congress." Determining in an interview the nature of an exercise that has practitioners around the world, and initiating large-scale arrests of its practitioners are severe violations of the role of the chairman of the country as defined in the Chinese Constitution. Jiang has claimed that "according to an incomplete survey, over one thousand four hundred people have died from the practice of Falun Gong". However, he has been unable to furnish evidence of the victims' names, affiliations, addresses and time of death, etc, which is required by law for determination of the nature of the practice. He has lied in this way solely for the purpose of sabotaging Falun Gong. As a result, numerous people have been detained, sent to labor camps, beaten up and disabled, countless people expelled from school and dismissed from work, and society has thus suffered heavily.

According to the Code No.13 of the Criminal Law, Jiang has made the following violations:

- Abused the power of chairman;
- Insulted and slandered innocent citizens;
- Illegally deprived citizens of the rights of belief;
- Illegally detained innocent citizens;
- Illegally searched citizens and ransacked their homes;
- Obtained confession using torture;
- Obtained evidence using violence;
- Suborned perjury;
- Obstructed the testimony of witnesses;
- Attacked and punished witnesses;
- Lodged false accusations and charges against innocent citizens;
- Retaliated against and framed citizens;
- Tortured innocent citizens who had been illegally detained;
- Deliberately harmed citizens;
- Causing others to die because of his negligence and mistakes;
- Committed premeditated killing;
- Perverted the law to serve his self interest;
- Violated the privacy of citizens;
- Illegally opened, concealed and destroyed mails and faxes of citizens.

IX. Jiang Zemin is the representative of all evil forces.

Jiang is untruthful, vicious and violent. He has spread lies, rumors, jealousy and evil wherever he goes. If Jiang had truly believed that millions of Falun Gong practitioners were a threat to him, he would have corrected his actions after he knew the truth about Falun Gong. If he had truly believed that Falun Gong was China's internal affair, he would not have made a claim to the foreign reporters that Falun Gong is an evil cult, and distributed materials attacking Falun Gong while meeting with the leaders of foreign countries. Kind-hearted people genuinely know the goodness of "Zhen-Shan-Ren," while the evil beings naturally hate and strongly oppose it. Otherwise, there would be no distinction between good and evil. As the representative of all evil beings, Jiang Zemin naturally could not accept "Zhen-Shan-Ren," and thus the persecution of Falun Gong became inevitable.

X. Jiang Zemin is a person condemned by history.

The suppression of Falun Gong has not only harmed China but also harmed the world and all beings. At this crucial turning point in human history, millions of Chinese have taken this rare and precious opportunity to cultivate Falun Dafa. However, for the sake of his self-interest and lust, Jiang has tried to forfeit this precious opportunity for China to contribute to the human world.

Jiang Zemin will face an historic trial for his crimes.

We demand that Jiang Zemin:

- 1. Restore the innocence of Falun Dafa,
- 2. Restore the innocent name of Teacher Li,
- 3. Take responsibility for the deaths of over 70 Falun Gong practitioners,
- 4. Free all detained practitioners,
- 5. Re-establish a free and legal cultivation environment for millions of practitioners.

We believe that evil will be punished and good rewarded. Jiang is responsible for the death of dozens of innocent citizens and has a mountain of blood debts, which has aroused the great indignation of both men and gods. All people of good will around the world are waiting for the day when he is punished for his crimes.

People of good will

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