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Mr. Huang Lizhong Tortured to Death in Panjin City Prison

(Clearwisdom.net) Mr. Huang Lizhong was persecuted by the Chinese Communist Party because he practiced Falun Gong. He was arrested at his home on February 25, 2008 and was sentenced to nine years in prison by the Lianshan District Court. In September 2008 Mr. Huang was taken to Panjin City Prison. On April 16, 2009, the guards started brutally beating Dafa practitioners with electric batons if they found them doing the Falun Gong exercises. They shocked Huang Lizhong and two other practitioners every day. From April 17-19, Mr. Huang and six other practitioners were taken to the strict control ward to be tortured. On April 20, 2009, Mr. Huang was severely shocked with electric batons by guard Wang Jianjun. His internal organs were damaged as a result.



Huang Lizhong

On May 2, 2009, Mr. Huang's wife went to visit him. Ma Ying, the Fifth Section guard of the Fifth Ward, said that Huang Lizhong "violated the prison regulations," and therefore was not allowed to have visitors for five months. Mrs. Huang requested to see the regulations, but Ma Ying could not produce any and replied, "The rules are not established by me, and you can come back in five months." Mrs. Huang had no choice but to leave without seeing her husband. She tried again to visit him in June, but was again refused.

On October 20, 2009, Mrs. Huang went to visit Mr. Huang in the Fifth Ward. Ma Ying told her that her husband had been transferred to the Fifth Section of the Seventh Ward, so Mrs. Huang went to the Seventh Ward. Zhang Guoloin, warden of the Seventh Ward, talked to her first and said, "His physical condition is not good so he was taken to the Sick Ward located in the Fifth Ward. You can go visit him this afternoon."

At around 2 p.m. on October 20, 2009, Mr. Huang was helped by a prisoner to reach the visitation room. Mrs. Huang could not recognize him. His face looked very dry, he was emaciated, his teeth were badly damaged, and he had no energy to talk. His whole body shivered. In only five months, a perfectly healthy 47-year-old man was physically wrecked. Mrs. Huang told him, "They would not allow me to visit you, and said you violated regulations." Mr. Huang replied, "Violated regulations? It was because they shocked me with electric batons until I almost died. Later, I started to recover little by little." She asked, "When?" Mr. Huang answered, "April 20." Mrs. Huang tried to ask for more details, but the guards stopped her. Her husband told her that he could not hear sometimes due to the effects of the severe electric shocks. The visitation lasted only 20 minutes as Mr. Huang was very weak and hardly had energy to talk. His wife finally understood that the real reason for her not being allowed to visit was to cover up the fact that the guards had almost killed Mr. Huang with electric baton shocks.

Only five days later, at 9:30 p.m. on October 25, 2009, the prison authorities notified Mrs. Huang that Huang Lizhong had died in 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 timely news and events 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.

Falun Dafa Has Given Me a New Chance at Life

(Clearwisdom.net) I am a 39-year-old farmer from Xichang City, Sichuan Province. On June 11, 2000, the nerves in my head and face seared with pain. After a checkup at the hospital, it was discovered that I had a brain tumor. For seven years, I tried all kinds of treatments but not one of them worked. The illness became more and more severe, until I was paralyzed on one side of my body, close to losing my sight, deaf in my left ear, I frothed at the mouth, and was unable to speak clearly.

In my attempts to find a cure, I spent my entire savings. At the time, I still held onto the hope of an operation to remove the tumor, but after consulting with many specialists, I learned that the possibility of dying after the surgery was high. Plus, the 60,000 to 70,000-yuan operation cost could not be afforded by a family like mine [1,000 yuan is the average monthly salary for an urban worker in China]. I was at my wits end.

Because of the Chinese Communist Party's brutal persecution of Falun Gong under Jiang Zemin's rule, I was influenced by all the slander and propaganda broadcast by the media, and I started off by completely ignoring and mistrusting the facts that Falun Gong practitioners tried to tell me. But when I was on the brink of losing all hope, I had no choice but to cast off my pride and ask my mother to beg the local Falun Gong practitioners to help me. It was a last ditch effort to save myself.

What happened afterwards I can only call a miracle. On the first day I started studying the teachings of Falun Dafa and practicing the exercises, I discarded the medication that I had not been able to do without for the past eight years. Previously, if I missed a single dose, my head would ache beyond measure.

That was February 16, 2008. Since then, I have become healthier day by day. On June 10, 2008, my mother had an operation to have a gallstone removed, and I took up the housekeeping and farm work. In my heart I understood that only Falun Dafa could have saved me. Dafa has given me a second chance at life.

Speaking Out on NTDTV's Lawsuit against Eutelsat, Hong Kong Legislators Call on International Community not to Appease the CCP

(Clearwisdom.net) On November 5, 2009, a hearing was held in a French court on NTDTV's lawsuit against Eutelsat for shutting down its signal to Asia. Several members of the Hong Kong Legislative Council expressed their support for NTDTV and called on the international community not to appease the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) out of economic self-interest.



*Andrew Cheng
Hong Kong Legislative Council*

Andrew Cheng, member of the Hong Kong Legislative Council, is a lawyer. He said that the lawsuit has significant meaning and that NTDTV should be supported for broadcasting to China. He said, "I wish the whole world would support a China with freedom of speech, not a China with a censored press."

Several members of the Legislative Council thought that the blocking of NTDTV's signal indicates the CCP's weakness. Mr. Chan said, "The CCP suppresses freedom of speech. We must condemn it. Whether it's using violence against reporters, or suppressing freedom of the press by using technical means, all of these indicate a weak regime, as it does not want to hear different voices."



*Wong Yuk Man Raymond
Hong Kong Legislative Council*

Mr. Leung Kwok-hung, member of the Hong Kong Legislative Council, said, "I hope the court can deal with the lawsuit based on the European Convention of Human Rights. If this cannot be ruled an injustice, it would mean that the convention is useless. I hope the court can uphold justice."

The court hearing was scheduled for October 13. After Eutelsat submitted a large amount of information at 11 p.m. on the eve of the hearing, the Paris Court decided to postpone the hearing until November 5, 2009.

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