

How has Falun Gong responded to this oppression



Jiang Zemin has tried to keep the world in the dark about his brutal, systematic and comprehensive campaign of persecution. He has launched a worldwide propaganda campaign to demonize and distort the practice so as to thwart would-be critics. Jiang's campaign has even reached as far as New York City, with Chinese officials orchestrating harassment and violence against U.S. citizens and residents who practice Falun Gong.

Practitioners of Falun Gong in China have made appeals to the Chinese government via the proper legal channels, and have resisted the persecution with nonviolent public protests. There has not been a single report of responding with violence, destroying property, or the like - despite beatings, torture, jailing, murder, and other grave injustices. Practitioners outside China have taken up long marches, done hunger strikes, staged sit-ins, launched letter-writing campaigns, staged rallies, held press conferences, and documented rights abuses.

Bringing Jiang Zemin to Justice — International Lawsuits

In more than fifteen countries/regions around the world, lawsuits have been filed against former Chinese leader, Jiang Zemin, officials of the 6-10 Office and other Chinese officials for their roles in carrying out the persecution of Falun Gong in China. The lawsuits have been filed in the U.S., Canada, Germany, France, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Indonesia.

One of the lawsuits -- a civil suit brought against the Head of Public Security for Hubei Province -- has already ruled in favor of the plaintiffs, Falun Gong practitioners. An international coalition of lawyers has also announced a coordinated effort to file more lawsuits against Jiang Zemin in the coming months.

You can help!

Please do everything in your power to help stop this persecution. You can spread the word, contact a decision maker, join a petition, help bring Jiang Zemin to justice, etc. Please visit:

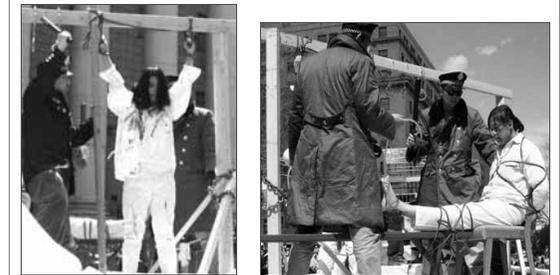
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Help Stop the Brutal Persecution of Falun Gong in China



Demonstrations of some of the torture methods being used to coerce Falun Gong practitioners in China.



What is Falun Gong

Falun Gong (a.k.a. Falun Dafa) is a traditional Chinese spiritual discipline that includes exercise and meditation. Its principles are based on **Truth, Compassion, and Tolerance**. Persons who practice regularly find it to bring them better

health, reduced stress, inner peace, and deepened morals.

The practice began in China in 1992 and quickly spread by word of mouth throughout China and then beyond. Falun Gong is practiced by over **100**

million people in **60** countries. For more information, please visit: www.falundafa.org or call 1-877-FALUN-99 (toll free).



Persecution & Torture

By the late 1990's, Falun Gong had become enormously popular among the Chinese people, with 70 to 100 million people practicing in China. Despite its peaceful nature, however, then-Chinese Communist Party chairman Jiang Zemin viewed the popularity of Falun Gong as a threat to his power. On July 20, 1999 he ordered the "eradication" of Falun Gong.

"Defame their reputations, bankrupt them financially, destroy them physically"

This order was given by Jiang Zemin to the 6-10 Office, the Gestapo-like organization he created for the sole purpose of "eliminating" Falun Gong. The 6-10 Office's terror is systematic and comprehensive. It aims to identify every single Falun Gong practitioner in China, and to subject every practitioner to brainwashing. Those who don't recant their belief after brainwashing are sentenced to labor camps. Meanwhile, all parts of society are used to bring pressure on practitioners.



AP Photo: A peaceful Falun Gong practitioner being attacked by 2 plain-clothed policemen (Oct. 1, 2001 at Tiananmen Square, Beijing, China)

"No measures are too extreme. If a Falun Gong practitioner dies, cremate the body and count the death as suicide."

This order was also given by Jiang Zemin to his 6-10 Office.

More than 100 different tortures have been documented, with countless variations of these employed. If a guard or policeman shows skill at torture, or comes up with a new way to force practitioners to renounce their beliefs, he or she is rewarded with a promotion or a bonus.



To date:

Hundreds of thousands of Falun Gong practitioners have been illegally arrested and detained.

More than **500** have been sentenced to prison terms of up to 18 years.

More than **1,000** have been forced into mental hospitals, an act condemned by World Psychiatric Association.

Over **100,000** have been illegally sent to labor camps without trials.

At least **1,023** deaths through police torture have been confirmed, with government sources inside China disclosing that the actual number well exceeds **1,600**.

