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PREFACE

My father, the author, is a high-ranking official in the Chinese Communist Party; very close to Jiang Zemin, the current leader of China, at the time of writing.

Throughout the years, I have always enjoyed an open relationship with my father and found it easy to speak my mind on any subject worth talking about. Often, he would share in private and in the strictest of confidence, many deep, dark secrets of the day-to-day politics of the Communist Party and only until very recently, the real truth behind the persecution of Falun Gong.

In the past we had touched lightly upon this issue; but at those times, it was really more about me talking and him listening. He was always respectful of my opinion and never once offered me his thoughts on the subject, that is, until now, when I came out and told him how violently opposed I was to the Falun Gong movement. Instead of arguing back, he graciously and patiently listened to me.

When I was done, he simply gestured me into his office within our home, closed the door and motioned for me to have a seat. When he had settled himself in his leather chair, he looked me straight in the eyes... lowered his voice, then said, "What you know about Falun Gong, although it may seem like a lot, would not cover the bottom of a small rice bowl."

"It is obvious that you have unwittingly bought into Jiang's lies, just like millions of Chinese have since the persecution began. You don't have the complete story, thus you have limited views on this subject."

I asked him how he was able to sort out all the conflicting stories coming from both the Government and the Falun Gong organization and he replied, "The truth is never truly complicated. It is overlooked, most often, in favor of what is known to us or rather, what we have been led to believe."

"Instead of spending my time arguing with you over this Falun Gong issue, I will spend my time discussing the facts, as I know them to be. When I have successfully done that, you will come to understand. This is the approach I will take with you on this issue."

"The 'facts' that Jiang pawns off to the world in general and to the Chinese people in particular, as they relate to Falun Gong, will become as water on a red hot griddle." He then paused for a moment, assessing the impact his words had made on me.

I urged him to go on talking, as I quickly grabbed a pen and pad and started to write. He then told me that it would be best to get out the voice-recorder. That is when I began to suspect I was about to hear something *very, very* important...

NOTE FROM THE AUTHOR...

I am going to reveal to you the truth about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, which, I will prove, has its origin in the power-mad and jealous nature of Jiang Zemin. His fear of the very goodness and popularity of this group and his desire to consolidate his own power, led him to create a “Falun Gong problem” where none had previously existed.

I will explain how Jiang's propaganda machine works and reveal the truth behind the many hoaxes he has perpetrated against the Chinese people. In particular, I will reveal the truth about the greatest hoax of them all, the so-called “self-immolation” incident in Tiananmen Square. I will show how, in fact, Jiang's hoaxes do not stand up to independent scrutiny at all.

We are currently documenting the truth about Jiang's war against Falun Gong by using informants inside his own jails, who videotape, tape-record, and observe all the horrible crimes that Jiang orders the guards to take part in, the evidence of which is slowly being leaked out to the world.

默文 (Mo Wen)

A FEW WORDS FROM THE PUBLISHER...

It is with great pleasure that we are able to make the book, *Poisonous Deceit* available to the public. It is our hope that the reader will come to understand the truth behind the persecution of Falun Gong in China and the relentless propaganda campaign employed in an effort to shape world opinion against this meditation group.

Jiang Zemin, the current President of China, at the time of writing, has two goals he would like to see realized:

1. to have the majority of the world's nations support his China anti-Falun Gong campaign
2. to have everyone think that it was him who was right all along in saying Falun Gong was a "harmful and evil cult," one that needed to be first restrained and then eliminated... worldwide.

Mr. Mo Wen, the author, intimated to me that the ruling elite in China have become increasingly aware of the fact that China's reputation is being tarnished straight across the globe at an alarming rate. Why? It's because people everywhere are becoming acutely aware of Jiang's practice of "social terrorism," particularly against groups that are not atheists and/or have large followings in China. Falun Gong fits both of these categories perfectly.

Since the Party has not succeeded in eradicating Falun Gong in China (to their dismay!) and because of the continuing worldwide support Falun Gong enjoys, Jiang has concocted a whole new salvo of prearranged, "made-to-order" hoaxes. These hoaxes serve one purpose and one purpose only: to criminally implicate Falun Gong, thus calling into question their reputation inside of China and for that matter, the pristine reputation they currently enjoy outside of China.

Jiang's intention is to link Falun Gong to staged, pre-planned catastrophes, even worse than the "Anthrax Scare" hoax he tried to pull off on an unsuspecting public, which, incidentally, backfired miserably. Be forewarned! These future staged events are designed to shock and infuriate people everywhere, causing them to reconsider everything they have come to know and respect about Falun Gong.

As convincing as these staged events may appear on the surface and the mountain of "evidence" Jiang's State-run media has fabricated supporting Falun Gong's involvement; do not let these fool you in the least. Simply examine these staged events with the insights you have gained from reading Mo Wen's book and you will clearly see that the "evidence" that Jiang offers to the world as *the truth*... will most certainly smack of poisonous deceit.

HOW THIS BOOK CAME INTO BEING...

One day out of the blue, we got a call from an associate of ours who runs a well-known publishing house in the UK. He told us he had been contacted by a middle-aged Chinese gentleman who had a long-standing business relationship with a very close friend of his. Owing to our associate's solid reputation in the publishing industry, he was asked if he would be interested in publishing a book on the Chinese's persecution of Falun Gong, written by a high level Communist Party member. However, the unique twist here was the fact that the author was not siding against Falun Gong at all. Rather, he was siding against the way his comrades routinely persecuted Falun Gong. What he was doing, in effect, was standing up to the entire Communist Party!

This Chinese gentleman was upfront about everything related to the book and he wasted no time in telling our associate what risks were involved, now and in the future; in taking on this most serious project.

Based solely on the risk factors alone, our associate felt very reluctant to go ahead with it on the spot. Nonetheless, he told the Chinese man before he left his office, that he would think everything over and get back to him within the week. The gentleman left our associate with a small portion of the manuscript and thanked him for his time. The more our associate thought about publishing the book, the more uncomfortable he got and the more uncomfortable he got, the less appealing this whole project became to him. That's when he called us...

From what little he told us on the phone, I myself was not too keen on the idea either. I realized that once a project like this was taken on... there was no turning back. Then he asked, "Would you mind giving the material a cursory read through?" I was just about to tell him, "No thanks!" but before I could verbalize my thoughts, he immediately reminded me that the only way I was going to know whether I wanted to take on this project or not, was to read the small section of the manuscript he had in hand. With that said, I agreed.

After reading through the material, I realized just how gutsy the author must be to risk his life in order to bring forth the truth. However, I still found myself reluctant to commit to the publishing of the book. I was convinced I did not need the extra headaches in my life, nor did I relish the idea of having to look over my shoulder every time I stepped out the door.

Although the persecution of Falun Gong was a well-known fact throughout the world, researching the subject was never a #1 priority for me. However, after reading the material my associate gave me, I now felt drawn to investigate it more thoroughly. I spent the next day glued to my computer screen, pouring over the plethora of information available on the Internet. The more I investigated the persecution, the more I realized how senseless and unnecessary it really was. The idea of innocent people being arrested, tortured, and murdered just because there were essentially "too many of them practicing truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance," really struck a chord in me.

I called up my associate and told him, "Let's take this project to the next level!" The next day I was visited by the same Chinese man my associate was contacted by. We went over what each of us could and would expect from each other, in minute detail. He agreed to hand deliver the complete 260 page manuscript, whenever I wanted to see it. Since our native language is English, I insisted that the manuscript arrive in English and that I establish direct contact with the author; that is, after I read his material and before any formal contract was signed.

After going through the manuscript, I made arrangements to meet with the author in

person, (outside of China, of course), and discussed the details of the book from every conceivable angle imaginable. I felt very comfortable in his presence and enjoyed the calm, easygoing way he addressed all of my questions, doubts, and concerns. I decided right then and there that I wanted to publish his book. As time went by, the more I understood about this persecution, the more I was committed to getting the word out to the world.

When the book was finally uploaded to our website and news of its release started circulating about, some people wrote to us asking about the book, the author, the contents, our personal reasons for getting involved, etc. Here are a few of the many questions we were asked... and our responses:

Does the publisher grant interviews?

At the direction of the author, the publisher will not be available for phone, letter, or email interviews; given concerns for his safety.

What does Falun Gong have to do with the author?

As far as we know, absolutely nothing.

Did Falun Gong authorize this book to be written?

No. This book was written by an individual out of a desire for the truth to be known. He did not write it under anyone else's suggestion. The author felt he had no choice but to write it; seeing that no one else was ready to step forward to do it.

Do Falun Gong practitioners endorse this book?

We have never asked them to endorse the book nor will we ever do so in the future. Looking at it strictly from *their* point of view, as Falun Gong practitioners, there are many unknowns in this book—the exact identity of the author being one of them. And since we cannot reveal the author's identity, we would not expect Falun Gong to endorse the book.

Whether practitioners choose to discuss or share the book with others will be entirely up to them. We do not expect or require any assistance from them at all. Likewise, we feel it is in our best interests to remain unaffiliated with Falun Gong. We just publish books.

What is the publisher's purpose in making this book available?

One of our main purposes is to expose the truth behind Jiang's persecution of Falun Gong. He is under the definite illusion that social terrorism is the one and only way to govern the people of China, but, of course, this is not true.

Neither is it true that citizens should be routinely slandered, arrested, thrown in jail, tortured, and murdered for practicing truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance. We are all for the idea of stopping this injustice in any small way we can. Agreeing to publish this book grew out of this desire to help.

Why is the publisher offering the e-book version of the book for free?

The publisher feels that everyone should read this book regardless if they can afford it or not. It is available in PDF format at: <http://www.deep6-publishing.org>.

Why don't we see any indication of who edited or translated the English and Chinese versions?

The editors and translators of the book are fully aware of the far-reaching and corrupt influence of the Chinese government. As such, they requested not to receive credit for their work. They preferred to remain anonymous, just like the author.

How can anyone verify if the things that are being said in the book are actually true?

It is not our job as publishers to convince anyone of anything. As such, we do not feel obligated to defend the book's contents, to excuse it, to justify anything the author said, or to back things up with undeniable proof.

As far as people's expectations, demands, questions, bewilderment, indignation, suspicion, and the like, we cannot really offer any universal remedy here. The only thing we can suggest is that the reader do some independent investigation into the subject; starting with such groups as Amnesty International, Freedom House, or Human Rights Watch.

Whoever does the research will find that many of the facts presented in Mr. Mo Wen's book are backed up by third party investigations. Although the amount of investigation these human rights organizations can do in China is severely limited by the Chinese government's constant stonewalling, they are at least beginning to paint a clearer picture of the horrible scope and intensity that Jiang's persecution has taken on.

Because of all the known and unknown risks involved in revealing more inside information to the reader, the book must stand on its own, as is.

I'm not sure I believe everything that's contained in this book... some of it sounds too incredible?

We understand your feelings; however, we do not believe it is our job to convince you of anything here. It is up to you to believe what you choose to believe.

Did the author practice Falun Gong? Does he practice it now?

We cannot tell you if the author has ever practiced Falun Gong or not, as we do not know ourselves.

Does the publishing company itself practice Falun Gong?

No.

Can we see the physical evidence the author has gathered from his investigations?

We have no authority, nor the means to make any evidence the author gathered in his investigations, available to the public. We simply publish books.

When the author's pseudonym, Mo Wen, is translated into English, what does it actually mean?

The Pinyin (pronunciation) of the Chinese characters 默文 is Mo Wen. This name can be directly translated as "Silently Writing." It is perfectly suitable for an author who doesn't want his name to be shown on his works and especially ideal for a government official who writes something that might not be very good for his career... or his life.

Why was the English version of the e-book offered before the Chinese version?

We insisted on receiving the book's contents (originally 260 pages) in English, as this is our native language. It would have been impossible to edit the book if it came to us in Chinese. Once it was edited and approved by the author, we uploaded it to the website.

Why does the English version sound so "English" and not Chinese?

First off, we received the author's material in English as per our request, and then edited it using English speaking, English writing editors.

Moreover, the author wanted to avoid the normal syntactical awkwardness that comes

from translating one language into another and asked us to “make it as English sounding as you can.” We did just that.

How can you publish a book in all good conscience if you cannot 100% verify its contents?

A lot of thought went into our decision to go forward with publishing this book. From what we know, we are satisfied that the claims the author makes are true. That is why we decided to publish his work.

PART I
FALUN GONG
FROM THE INSIDE OUT

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Keeping My Thoughts to Myself

Sometimes I feel my job isn't easy, not because there are so many things to do every day or because of this meeting or that meeting, but because I must do my job with my eyes open and closed at the same time.

As a veteran Party official, I am supposed to be alert and attentive to my duties and obligations. However, I must also be sure to selectively overlook issues that are best left unspoken. One such issue is the Party's handling of Falun Gong. I must be careful not to express my true thoughts lest they be construed as having the "blemish" of dissident thinking.

Sometimes I feel like a foreigner in my own country. I get this feeling because there is corruption all around me and righteousness becomes a concept that few at the top can afford to indulge in. To do so would cost my comrades promotions, raises in pay, prestige, and power, as they are easily taken in by the lure of these petty perks. Even though they have no effect on me, I must pretend they do.

I have to pretend that I don't see the deep insecurities and hollowness of Jiang Zemin whenever I look him in the eye. I have to pretend not to notice the sordidness and brutality that are at his very core. Moreover, I have to ignore the distinct feeling I get from being around him, for so many years now, that he is something other than a human being.

Judging a Man's Character

One can judge a man's character by the way he wields his power. Jiang's use of power, in my view, bespeaks of someone whose very essence is rooted in all things that directly oppose goodness. This accounts in part, for the viciousness he openly displays to the world and the pride he takes in having a "staunchly unmovable opinion," as if such obstinacy demonstrates character.

True leaders endear themselves to the hearts of the people by winning their favor through merit and concern for their welfare. They do not create problems where there are none; only to seek recognition later on for trying desperately to resolve these same problems, as in the case of Jiang's persecution of Falun Gong. Only a righteous leader can rule from the heart. What flows from such a heart nourishes and breathes life to all around him. Jiang is the opposite. He rules from his ego and therefore deceit and lies flow incessantly from his being. Hence, no matter how hard he tries to hide his own insatiable need for recognition and applause, he is unable to do so.

He laces power with uncompromising stubbornness and the inability to graciously allow others a say in matters that are particularly personal to Jiang. One such matter is his private war against Falun Gong, which, I may add, he tries to portray as the "people's war" against Falun Gong or the "Party's war" against Falun Gong. It was... and is... neither.

Jiang's Disregard for the Law

Jiang initiated his brutal campaign to suppress Falun Gong without conferring with the Central Committee or the Standing Committee of the Politburo. According to the constitutional laws of China, he should have originally had approval of both of these governing bodies, before he called into law all the measures he did to eliminate Falun Gong's so-called "threat" against his power and control of the Party. There absolutely was no such threat at all. Moreover, since he knew that this was too obvious to the Central Committee and the Standing Committee, he decided to ignore their suggestions and advice to let the group alone. He was opposed to logic and reason in handling this matter right from the start and so naturally, he ignored the correct lawful procedure for dealing with this Falun Gong issue.

The Constitution clearly states that even the President of the country has no right to abuse his power in this way, that is, by illegally, unilaterally bypassing the correct procedure in handling important joint issues of national importance. Jiang sent out a letter to the Standing Committee and to the whole Party, expressing how he intended to handle the Falun Gong issue. He did not seek anyone's permission in enacting this decree. He simply did it. He did not invite any discussion or any opposing views on the matter. He intended to act against the Constitution and the will of the Party from the very beginning. To this day, he continues to enforce his decision with threats and intimidation. The way he sees it is this: If you are *for* Falun Gong, you are *against* the Communist Party.

Moreover, as far as Jiang's intentional staging of the Tiananmen Square "self-immolation" incident to discredit Falun Gong's name, I still feel that this was and still is the greatest hoax ever to be perpetrated against the Chinese people in over 5,000 years. This hoax-of-hoaxes makes a mockery of Jiang Zemin, his position as president, the Constitution, human rights, and of course, the people of China themselves.

I must pretend every day that I'm not aware of all these things when I see Jiang in the hallway or in meetings. These are private thoughts that I keep to myself, for it is hard to know whom to trust around you.

In the very, very beginning of the persecution, Mr. Li Hongzhi, Falun Gong's founder, said something to the effect that Jiang is doing what he's doing because he does not understand what Falun Gong is all about. If he understood, he would not overreact like he is. I believe Mr. Li was right at the time he made this statement. It was indeed Jiang's personal fear, jealousy, and lust for power that blinded him, causing him to misunderstand and overreact to Falun Gong. Once Jiang imagined the "threat" facing him, that is, the fact that there were more practitioners than actual Communist Party members, he immediately began formulating a plan to neutralize Falun Gong's burgeoning influence.

In the end, he would fool not only the Chinese public and low-level government officials about this Falun Gong issue, but even many in the highest levels of government; that is, those who were not directly involved with the planning and executing of this so-called "self-immolation" incident.

Could it be that there never would have been a problem with Falun Gong, up to this day, had Jiang not intentionally gone out of his way to slander and destroy its good reputation? I know so.

For the record, I believe Falun Gong is one of the best things that has ever happened to China, or for that matter, the world. Why? Because it has the ability to usher in a new era of peace, health, well-being, morality, and truth. I welcome it wholeheartedly!

Cunning as a Fox?

Jiang thinks he's as cunning as a fox... but I don't think so. If one expends even the least amount of energy examining him, it is easy to see through his thin veneer of lies. Watch Jiang closely and you will notice that he never offers specific, verifiable references when he “quotes” Li Hongzhi. And why can't he offer specific references? Because these “quotes” were never said by Mr. Li—Jiang just had them fabricated to fit the occasion.

Facts are verifiable, as they can be tracked down to a specific source. Lies, on the other hand, well... they are just lies. They have no basis in reality and therefore they can not be linked to a verifiable source. As long as Jiang makes it virtually impossible for the Chinese people to disprove his claims against Falun Gong, (because he destroyed almost every Falun Gong publication in print), he can freely claim anything he wants with total impunity. Within China no one will be the wiser. Outside of China... well, that's a different story.

Anyone outside of China can go to the Internet, download Mr. Li's books for free, and verify that everything, and I do mean *everything* that Jiang and his State-run media say about Falun Gong, is completely 100% fabricated. That's why he banned Falun Gong publications and prevents the Chinese people from accessing websites where these publications can be viewed. He wants to make sure that no one inside China can compare the things he claims are true about Falun Gong against the actual facts themselves.

On the rare occasion that Jiang is confronted with the facts supporting Falun Gong's claims, he gets indignant at the line of questioning, as if he is being personally insulted as he sputters out vague denials of wrongdoing. He isn't equipped to handle the propaganda campaign at this level of detail, as the details simply aren't there.

Jiang even issued a series of comic books designed to defame and discredit Mr. Li. The first in the series was titled, “*Li Hongzhi: The Man and His Evil Deeds.*” These books even accuse Falun Gong of such crimes as “creating social terror,” if you can believe that. Of course, not even Jiang believes what is written in these comic books. He's just methodically carrying out his plan to eliminate Falun Gong.

Winning by Lying

Distorting the truth about Falun Gong beyond all recognition is one of Jiang's greatest pleasures. He effectively destroyed an innocent man's reputation and gleefully prides himself on his “win.” He fancies himself a great strategist, but he is not. Yes, Jiang has been effective in framing and slandering Mr. Li and Falun Gong, but so what? In the end he will fail, as do all Chinese leaders who neglect to adhere to the principles of the Tao.

Real winning has nothing to do with framing, lying, slandering, torturing, imprisoning, and murdering innocent people. It has nothing to do with intentionally breaking the bond of trust with the people of China. It has nothing to do with inciting hatred towards Falun Gong, without cause. It has nothing to do with fooling the Chinese people into believing anti-Falun Gong rhetoric, completely fabricated TV documentaries, and of course, the “self-immolation” incident.

The way I see it is this: If one's actions are not steeped in righteousness and truth, then any benefits derived thereof, will at best, be short lived. True winning is a result of being honorable, noble, kind, and truthful. If a man gains the world but acts against the universal principles of life itself, he has gained nothing at all. Only by adhering to the Tao or the Way, can a man meet with genuine success. Trying to force success or a “win” in any other

manner can be likened to trying to wrap fire in paper. No matter how hard you try, you will not be able to do it.

Jiang's ignoble actions set a horrible precedent for future leaders to follow and does not help him establish credibility or integrity in the world's eyes, nor in the eyes of his own people. Rather, it has exactly the opposite effect.

When the Lies Become Known

Imagine what will happen when the Chinese people find out:

- 1) that there never was an actual “Falun Gong problem” to begin with
- 2) that the “self-immolation” incident, the single most slanderous event used by Jiang's State-run media to turn public sentiment against Falun Gong, was entirely staged and overseen by Jiang himself
- 3) that all the countless TV “documentaries” denouncing the group were completely fabricated
- 4) that Jiang is the main official behind the ongoing anti-Falun Gong slander campaign

Not only will the Chinese people lose all trust and respect for him as leader, but Jiang will be lucky if they don't severely deal with him right on the spot. He knows this well and this is one of the main reasons he fears being found out. That is why he puts so much effort and resources into hiding the truth behind this persecution.

This reminds me of the famous quote by Dr. Joseph M. Goebbels, Hitler's propaganda minister:

The lie can be maintained only for such time as the State can shield the people from the political, economic, and/or military consequences of the lie. It thus becomes vitally important for the State to use all of its powers to repress dissent, for the truth is the mortal enemy of the lie, and thus by extension, the truth becomes the greatest enemy of the State.

People around Jiang Zemin carry out his dirty work for him, yes, but very few inwardly respect and trust him. They know what he is all about. Therefore, no matter how much he tries to coerce people into genuinely respecting and trusting him, he will find it quite impossible to do.

The fact is, Jiang only knows one way to rule; with an iron fist and a crooked tongue. To garner allegiance from those below him, he bribes them with promises of promotions and financial rewards. If that doesn't work, he simply threatens them. If that doesn't work, well... let's just say that Jiang will arrange to have these people's physical whereabouts become a “permanent mystery.”

In contrast, Mr. Li has the respect and loyalty of his practitioners, by virtue of who he is and what he does. Not only does this drive Jiang raving mad... it also turns him green with envy. Thus, in comparing Li's virtue and Jiang's lack of virtue, one can see the essence of this entire story.

If Jiang Only Knew...

Jiang had no true understanding of Falun Gong from the very beginning. Why? Because if he had, he may have opted to listen to his senior advisors and just let the group be. He thought “crushing” Falun Gong was going to be a very simple matter, requiring only the issuance of a State decree to disband the group. He actually thought he could achieve “victory” over Falun Gong within a mere 30 days! However, as history tells us, this did not prove to be the case. You see, Jiang had no idea that carrying out his seemingly simple plan to “eliminate” Falun Gong was, in fact, setting himself up for immediate failure and unending embarrassment.

Moreover, once he started the persecution he could not reverse his position without admitting defeat, which was unthinkable to him. In his mind, he had to continue the persecution, if for no other reason than to be able to say one day, “See, I told you I could defeat Falun Gong!”

But, let's think about it... Jiang had the entire Army, Navy, Air force, police, the media, and billions and billions of yuan at his disposal and he still could not “defeat” Falun Gong. He thought he could “beat them to the ground” by viciously slandering, arresting, and torturing unarmed, nonviolent men, women, and children... but he could not.

Even Jiang's “610” office, consisting of a cadre of the worst political scoundrels imaginable, has failed to eradicate this peaceful meditation group. What is the function of the “610” office? Its main purpose is to formulate and implement vicious anti-Falun Gong strategies in order to carry out Jiang's instructions to “Destroy their [Falun Gong's] reputation, bankrupt them financially, and annihilate them physically.”

The “610” office is the same murderous group that is behind the plot to “sanitize” the injustices that take place in their so-called “re-education through labor camps.” The “610” office tries to deceive the public into thinking that the government has a very humane and caring policy toward Falun Gong, which is to “educate, influence, rescue” those who have been “unwittingly deceived” by Mr. Li.

They even build grand and stately looking prisons to showcase their “undying concern” for practitioners' welfare. Nevertheless, do not be taken in by the appearances of these handsome “designer” buildings... what takes place inside is monstrous. Sometimes the government offers foreign journalists pre-planned guided tours of these “luxurious havens” with smiling, happy prisoners in sparkling clean surroundings with TV and sports facilities wherever one looks. The food menu board depicts a fine selection of meals replete with assorted desserts and the grounds outside are meticulously groomed. One would never think they were looking at a prison, much less a building where torture and murder take place!

However, everything displayed on these tours is solely for the journalists' benefit. It is simply and plainly a façade; it is done just for show. In reality, what the journalists see can be likened to a Hollywood movie set; that is, the moment the prison tour ends, the set gets taken down. Thus, according to plan, most of the journalists on these guided tours leave with a generally favorable impression of the Chinese prison system. However, as soon as they walk one meter out the door, everything behind these prison walls goes back to the way it had always been. As you can see, the “610” office spares no effort or expense in whitewashing their unspeakable crimes.

I would hasten to caution the foreign media to not take things at face value when visiting China. Why? Because here the government values appearances over the heart or

substance of a matter. Thus, if you go with the “facts” as they are presented to you, you will, in most cases, be royally duped.

In addition, since every aspect of this persecution is built upon layers and layers of lies... one would expect that anything the officials in the “610” office say or do to create an aura of innocence about themselves, would fall far, far short of reality. The “610” office thinks that just because they cannot be forced to admit that this persecution is really taking place, as it is, means that it is not necessarily really taking place at all. If they don't admit to anything, then it is just your word against theirs. That's the way they look at it.

Even though the “610” office knows there are many people who know exactly what's going on and can not be deceived by their propaganda, they still play out their game of denial. They put the burden of proof completely on other's shoulders. Moreover, even when legitimate, verifiable proof is shown to them, they instinctively and immediately deny that too.

So where has all of Jiang's efforts gotten him thus far? In my opinion, absolutely nowhere. In fact, what he has done has only served to galvanize the Falun Gong group, making them more determined than ever to educate the people of the world about the truth behind this awful persecution. From my perspective, Jiang has lost this battle against Falun Gong a long, long time ago. It is his worst nightmare come true, one that will follow him to the grave... and beyond.

Running the Government Like the Mafia

As much as the Communist Party talks about getting rid of Falun Gong to “uphold the law and order of the land,” it can be argued that the Party, by its very nature, opposes law and order. Why? Because the effectual truth of Communism is two-fold:

- 1) wealth and power for the very few
- 2) and absolute control over the masses, by any means available, legal or illegal.

In order to hold fast to their self-appointed positions, the Party ferociously suppresses all opposition, real or imagined, while at the same time, regarding themselves as rightful heirs to the fruit of the labor of the masses.

Therefore, no matter what you may think the Communist Party is or isn't, I can clearly tell you this; at the very top, it is not a political party at all. Rather, it is a tightly knit bunch of thieves, liars, swindlers, and murderers.

It is run as a mob, with each member getting his just rewards for successfully carrying out the Party Boss's instructions. In addition, just like a typical mob, they are not so welcome of competition in any form.

Remaining true to the mob mentality, they settle their disagreements with others using bully tactics, violence, and executions, among other things. In Italy, it's called the Mafia, in China; I call it the Communist Party.

Why the Party Elite Loves Capitalism

Publicly, the Communist Party has always denounced capitalism as the world's worst evil. Privately, they practice it in earnest. Thus, these denunciations against capitalism were, in

effect, just there to distract the public. What they actually wanted to do was eliminate any outside competition to give the Party the implicit sole “right” to exploit the resources and labor of the masses. The Party, under the pretence of “gaining the good for the many instead of the few,” actually managed to trick the masses into willingly giving up their individual rights as human beings!

In their attack on capitalism and in their denial of the individual rights of the Chinese people, the Communist Party throughout the years, has always had only one objective firmly in mind: furthering and consolidating its own power and control over the masses. Today, Jiang would like the people of China to believe that:

- No laws or administrative or local rules and regulations may contravene the Constitution.
- All State organs, the armed forces, all political parties and public organizations and all enterprises and institutions must abide by the Constitution and the law.
- All acts in violation of the Constitution and the law must be investigated.
- No organization or individual is privileged to be beyond the Constitution or the law. (Chapter 1, Article 5 of the *Constitution of the People's Republic of China*)

However, despite what the general public actually thinks, top Party leaders really do make their own rules to fit the occasion. They want the common-man to view the Party elite as somehow “equal,” and therefore forced to follow the same rules as the masses do. That is the joke of jokes! Communism serves its own purposes, none of them being for the common good.

I myself am not for or against Communism; I am for truth. I do not have any social ideology to guide and confuse me. I do what is noble and shun what is not. I'm not apt to fight *against* something as much as I am to fight *for* something. Thus, in standing up for the truth, I am automatically standing up against that which is false. This is the way I am.

The Chinese Myth of Personal Liberty

Chinese tradition does not place a high value on personal liberty. However, that doesn't mean that Chinese people don't have human rights just because they don't claim or believe they have them. Moreover, even if they can't justify to themselves why they deserve or should expect to exercise these rights, they still have these rights nonetheless.

Using the Chinese language to explain the reality of personal liberty is not as easy as one would imagine. It's like always living in darkness and trying to conceive of what it means to live in the light of day. If you have no concept of light, then you have no language to express the reality of light. So too, if the Chinese don't have a heartfelt understanding of personal liberty, they won't find it natural to talk about or defend what little liberty they do have. Therefore, it's easy to deny a person something he is hardly aware of in the first place. Isn't this so?

Here is the Party's view on the subject: “The people of China have personal liberty if they support whatever the Communist Party says and does and they do not have personal liberty if they do not support whatever the Communist Party says and does.” You see, in China, demanding your rights as an individual is tantamount to saying that you are acting

in defiance of the Chinese government itself. In other words, you are a “counter-revolutionary” in the State’s eyes.

Keep in mind that the ultimate authority in most Chinese people’s minds, the very authority they rely on to define for them what personal freedom really means, is the Communist Party itself. However, one of the actual functions of Communism is to control and stifle freedom, not to grant it!

Falun Gong Still Puzzling to Many

Most Chinese do not expect freedom from State coercion but regard such coercion as the norm. Someone of this mindset cannot readily understand that in certain countries outside of China, there actually exists a political morality that supports the rights of its citizens as well as freedom from State coercion.

Why does the average Chinese think practitioners are a bit reactionary in their conduct? It is because true practitioners stand up for their right to practice their beliefs and will not accept the State dictating to them what to believe in or not to believe in. Unlike practitioners, the average Chinese person has never believed in anything so strongly and clearly that, without question, they would risk their very life to defend it.

Since childhood, the average person on the street has learned to play it safe and accept that the only rights they have are the ones the State grants them. Thus, to these people, Falun Gong is extremely puzzling. Falun Gong practitioners feel that their right of belief doesn’t come from anything the government extends or grants them. Furthermore, they feel that the ultimate authority in their lives is neither the Chinese government nor Falun Gong... but the Great Law... the universal principles, “to be True, Good, and Endure.”

I believe these principles are much more than dry philosophical notions of correct conduct. Rather, they exist as the living characteristics or qualities of all matter in the Universe. From my reading of *Zhuan Falun*, it appears that these characteristics or qualities not only express the nature of the Universe... they *are* the nature of the Universe. Mr. Li says, “Air particles, stone, wood, soil, steel, the human body-all matter has this nature, to be True, Good, and Endure.”

Now think about it. If a practitioner were to cultivate his human heart and mind nature and assimilate himself to the nature or qualities of the Universe itself, “to be True, Good, and Endure,” wouldn’t that practitioner’s human nature change? Wouldn’t he take on the essence or nature of the Universe itself? Wouldn’t he become more truthful, good, and enduring (forbearing)? My thinking is that it would be an inevitable consequence. Thus, a person practicing Falun Gong will naturally become a good person. There is no other way.

Let me illustrate this a step further. If you took a white cloth and kept dipping it into a container filled with red dye, wouldn’t that cloth, after some period of time, take on the color of the dye? It would have to, right? It’s the same thing here. The more a practitioner assimilates himself to the qualities or nature of the Universe itself, the more he will take on the “color” of the nature of the Universe, “to be True, Good, and Endure.”

According to Falun Gong, the nature of the Universe is Truth itself and is reflected in the human world as being true or being truthful. The nature of the Universe is wholly Good (or pure), and manifests itself as goodness, kindness, or compassion in and among people. The nature of the Universe has no beginning or end, so it is Enduring and manifests itself in human society as forbearance or the ability to endure through hardships or tribulations.

Falun Gong believes that the more a practitioner lets go of the heart of an everyday person, the more his human nature will be purified. By committing himself to this purification process, he will inevitably fulfill the purpose of his human existence, which, according to Falun Gong, is to return to the origin, to his original true nature, which is the same nature as the Universe itself.

They believe that if a person commits himself to this purification process (which includes performing the five simple exercises as taught by Mr. Li), he will automatically put his human body, heart, mind, and true being into the most efficient and highest evolutionary state possible. Why? Because the living intelligence that guides all evolutionary processes in the Universe, is the characteristics or nature of the Universe itself, or, in other words, the Great Law.

Thus, according to Falun Gong, as you assimilate yourself to this Law, this Law assimilates itself to you. It evolves you more deeply and directly. Why? Because you have elevated your mind and heart nature by emptying yourself of your human attachments, thus your nature is now closer to the nature of the Universe.

In essence, you have removed some of the things that separated you from the nature of the Universe. And the closer your nature is to the Universe's nature, the faster you will evolve on all the different levels.

As Falun Gong sees it, this Law is not an ordinary law. Neither is it the law of man. Rather, it is the intelligent living Law of the cosmos itself. Moreover, Falun Gong believes that by adhering to the principles of this Great Law, as taught by Mr. Li in his book, *Zhuan Falun*, one can expect to receive proper spiritual guidance on all the myriad of levels, for without this guidance, it would not be possible to cultivate at all.

What does Falun Gong say a person will gain by taking part in this cultivation or purification process? He will gain everything an everyday person wants, but can not obtain, such as Truth, harmony, balance, enlightenment; an insight into the mysteries of the Universe; he will know the purpose of his human existence; he will have the right view on all matters; he will have a disease and illness free body, and he will have a purified mind and heart.

There's also something else that I feel a person will inevitably gain as he walks along this path. It's spiritual freedom, which goes hand-in-hand with everything I just made reference to above. And what is spiritual freedom? It is the ability to be able to step out of one's ordinary point of view, one's ingrained way of internally processing the world. It is being free of the habitual knee-jerk responses that most people have when confronted with a particular situation or circumstance, be it negative or positive.

So according to Falun Gong, when a practitioner cultivates himself well, he will gain not only the right view on all matters, but he will also be able to choose his reactions to any given situation he finds himself in... *because* he has the right view on all matters.

Wouldn't you say that person is free in the truest sense of the word? Isn't he free from his limited point of view, his notions, his emotions, his opinion, his desires, his likes and dislikes, and his human attachments? Or, in other words, isn't he free from the constraints of his human nature? Isn't this freedom the same freedom that people throughout the ages have sought... but few ever found?

As I said before, Falun Gong practitioners feel that their right of belief doesn't come from anything the government extends or grants them. Practitioners simply reserve the right to choose what they believe in and what they don't believe in. Hardly a political agenda, I'd say. Yet, Jiang turns Falun Gong's humble request to practice their belief into a political morass. He arbitrarily labels Falun Gong a "political organization" interested

in playing politics with the Party. But really... isn't that such a twisted logic?

If the Party did not illegally take away Falun Gong practitioners' right to practice their belief, Falun Gong practitioners would not have needed to legally appeal to the Party to reinstate their right to practice their belief. Legally appealing to the Chinese Government is a citizen's right as guaranteed under China's constitution. Yet, Jiang calls this "playing politics with the Party"... as absurd as that may sound.

This whole issue comes down to two things:

1) practitioners believe in, act upon, and live in accordance with the principles of "to be True, Good, and Endure"

2) and as silly as it may sound... Jiang does not want them doing this!

Therefore, when practitioners say, "Falun Gong is good!" to me it is a truism. Why? Because everything that Falun Gong stands for is good and can be summed up in just a few words, "to be True, Good, and Endure."

Truthfulness Above All Else

Falun Gong practitioners, who were also Party members, were *first* practitioners *then* Party members. Meaning, practitioners put truthfulness above all else. So surely, they would not carry out orders that violated universal truths or did harm to others.

Let me ask you a question. If you were a high-ranking official who happily carried out Jiang's presidential orders, no matter how negatively they affected the Chinese people; would you enjoy having a Falun Gong Party member working alongside you talking about truthfulness, forbearance, kindness, and compassion? How might that make you feel being around him? While you are boasting about the grand display of power and brutality displayed against the students in Tiananmen Square in 1989, for example, a Falun Gong Party member may tell you it was wrong for the government to have done such a thing. He would further explain that leading a country in such a fashion would only breed dissent and dissatisfaction throughout society.

Do you honestly think that you would want to work amongst good people like this? Wouldn't you rather follow your own political agendas with like-minded people around you, instead of fellow Party members who remind you about the importance of right thinking, right action, and having a heart of compassion? In addition, I am sure you would not like having to deal with their refusal to carry out certain orders you issued, simply because they were not in accordance with the high-level principles as taught by Mr. Li. Rather, I think you would prefer to have these practitioners far, far away from you, right?

Let me illustrate this a step further. You see, if a man becomes a Communist Party member with the intent of aggressively moving up through the ranks, one of the first things he is required to do, without someone actually sitting down and explaining it to him, is to cease to think for himself.

He is required to willingly give up the notion of being an individual with individual thoughts and feelings. In essence, he must give up the right to be himself... to think his own thoughts, have his own feelings, and express his own unique point of view. And, because he has no right to think for himself, in reality, he has no personal freedom. At the same time, he must banish the thought of having any sense of moral character and is

therefore required to mindlessly acquiesce to a growing number of demands, both implied and inferred. The higher up in rank one wants to go, the more of his personal integrity he must compromise. In essence, he becomes a heartless, lifeless robot; a pawn in the hand of the person immediately above him in rank. Then the person immediately above that person in rank must also become a pawn in the hand of the person immediately above him, etc., etc. This “chain of command” continues like this all the way to the top—to Jiang Zemin himself.

This creates a very competitive atmosphere where everyone is running around trying to impress this superior or that superior. Many will stoop to extraordinary and quite devious means to accomplish their personal objectives. It is all smiles and false compliments, all day, everyday. Whatever your rank is, you must show the person above you a type of fake respect, a kind of, “You are the best boss there is, I respect you, and I honor your authority” and so on. It is really quite nauseating what goes on.

That is why there is such fierce competition within the ranks. Everyone is competing for recognition, hoping to be acknowledged as the most loyal, the most dedicated, the most willing servant of the State. Party members such as these, will act on any order given to them, without pause, without asking whether what they are being asked to do is the right thing to do or not. This robotic mindset goes something like this: “I am a willing servant of the State and as such, I can not refuse the requests my superiors make of me, whatever they may be.”

At some point, this attitude becomes so automatic, that Party members cease to know right from wrong. They just follow orders as given. They do not question the Party's decisions at all. In fact, “doing the right thing” becomes synonymous with obeying the Party's wishes and “doing the wrong thing” becomes synonymous with not obeying the Party's wishes.

In effect, aren't the Party members required to worship the Party elite—the top brass? Isn't this what's going on here? Also, isn't this the very reason why Communism and atheism are inseparable ideologies? Let me explain...

Think about it, if people were allowed to worship a God or some higher intelligence, then wouldn't that mean that this higher intelligence itself would be competing with the Party for the minds and hearts of the people?

In atheistic China, from birth to old age, the existence of a superior being or God has always been considered “superstition” or feudal nomenclature. Communist Party leaders forced the masses into believing that “Religion is the enemy of our materialistic ideology and believing in religion is blind faith. Therefore, you should not only have no faith in religion but you should also condemn it.” Now... after so many years of intense indoctrination, the Party has, to a large degree, taken God “out of the picture” in most people's minds. And, with God “out of the picture,” the Party naturally takes on the role of God, and actually becomes “God.” That is, the Party becomes the ultimate authority, the indomitable all powerful “being” that governs everyone's life.

Accordingly, doesn't the Party's spreading of atheism, in some ways, take on the color of religion without it looking like religion? How's that? Instead of their being one universal spiritual deity to worship, praise, and obey, there is Jiang Zemin, the one head of the Chinese Communist Party. I call this *Party worship* or the religion of Communism.

Falun Gong: The Greatest Threat?

With millions of Falun Gong Party members in all the different levels of government, it was easy for Jiang to feel threatened. Why? Because when there is morality in one's midst, it is easy even for a blind man to sense the immorality in a person. Moral people are hard to fool. Only immoral people can be controlled and manipulated. If you pay an immoral man a certain amount of money or simply threatened his life, he will carry out any order he's given... but never a moral man.

A moral man stands firm and does what he does because it is the right thing to do. Thus, he has no fear of the consequences of his actions. Therefore, in the eyes of the immoral, or in this case the Party elite, isn't this moral man a "dangerous enemy" to the State?

Think about it, if the ruling class in China cannot threaten or manipulate a moral Party member, then they cannot coerce this man into carrying out their less than noble deeds. If they can't coerce him, then they do not have power over him. If they do not have power over him, then they cannot control him. If they cannot control him, then, in effect, isn't he outside of their control?

Then, if there were millions of such people in the Communist Party and throughout society, couldn't it be said that the Party's absolute power and control over the masses would therefore be severely compromised? Wouldn't that imply that loyalty to the Party would no longer be absolute?

Without absolute loyalty from the masses, wouldn't allegiance to the State be, at best, questionable? Thus, as the logic goes, couldn't it be perceived that the security of the State is now at risk? If the security of the State is at risk, it follows that those who compromised the State's security could be viewed as "enemies of the State." Thus, wouldn't it be easy for the Party to convince the public for the need to eliminate this perceived "threat" to the State, in order to preserve the people's "safety and well-being"? What better way to do this than to have the Party defame their opposition, accuse them of things that they never did, and then not allow them to defend themselves publicly or through the legal court system? Isn't this exactly what Jiang did to Falun Gong?

Jiang's greatest fear is that whatever he cannot control today, may wind up controlling him tomorrow. The fact that Mr. Li had more influence over some 70 million practitioners, did pose an immediate threat to Jiang, that is, from Jiang's limited, fearful, and distorted point of view.

Nevertheless, practitioners have more important things to do than forcibly wrestle the control of the country from the ruling elite. They have the task of cultivating their minds and hearts... which, if you think about it, is far more difficult, and infinitely more rewarding than overthrowing the Chinese Government! However, the sheer number of practitioners was not the only "threat" perceived by the government. The other "threat" was the fact that practitioners live according to what they call the Great Law, the absolute, immutable law that governs all of mankind, whether they realize it or not.

These practitioners believe that the #1 priority in their life is to live according to and measure themselves against this Great Law, that is, "to be True, Good, and Endure"—the very qualities or characteristics of the nature of the Universe itself. At first glance this doesn't seem to be such a threatening thing, right? But think about it. Doesn't this put Falun Gong at odds with the Communist Party's ideology, in a very big way? Aren't the principles, goals, and aspirations of the Party's elite, 100% diametrically opposed to Falun Gong? Aren't they completely opposite in the strictest sense of the word?

Now consider this: At the rate that Falun Gong was growing, wouldn't it soon become very apparent to the entire Chinese society, that there were, in effect, two "forces" operating within China, one being the Chinese Communist Party and the other being Falun Gong? Wouldn't it be equally clear, over time, that one of the two "forces" would be for truth and righteousness and the other "force" would be for power, control, and profit at the expense of the common man?

However, Falun Gong was not a direct threat to the Party's rule, as in, "Falun Gong wanted to usurp the Party's power," that was never their goal. More to the point, Falun Gong indirectly and unintentionally competed for the hearts and minds of the people, showing them how to be good people, how to purify their bodies, how to put right their hearts, and how to cultivate their minds and raise themselves upwards. When people are introduced to the Great Law, they automatically know the right way to think and the right way to act from then on. That is the nature of the Great Law. It awakens people to the truth... because it is truth itself.

When Falun Gong practitioners follow the Great Law or the Tao, they instinctively become law-abiding citizens, model citizens, if you will. Why is it then that Falun Gong can achieve this result but State laws cannot? It's because State laws can only superficially influence a bad person's external behavior, that is, when that person is in everyone's range of sight. However, once he is out of sight, he will continue to do wrong. Falun Gong, on the other hand, teaches a person how to truly cultivate his heart and mind nature. And when a person's heart and mind nature changes, so does his intrinsic nature, his very being. This person then, at his most fundamental core, is different. Thus, he no longer has any desire to consciously do wrong again. Jiang cannot comprehend this simple yet profound principle. Why? Because it is beyond his realm of thought. It is supernatural. Furthermore, since Falun Gong is *for* truthfulness, forbearance, and kindness, Jiang wants the public to blindly take that to mean that Falun Gong is *against* the government. I ask you this, how can two completely different ideas wind up, in the end, to mean the exact same thing... when they don't?

Just for the record, Falun Gong was practiced by entire families in the top echelons of the Chinese government, that is, before Jiang's anti-Falun Gong campaign got underway. To be specific, for years and years, all seven members of the Standing Committee of Politburo of the Party's Central Committee had their entire families practicing the Falun Gong exercises and reading Mr. Li's books. No one at that time doubted the mental, emotional, physical, and spiritual benefits they derived from this most peaceful practice. They were clear as to what Falun Gong was and what it was not. Thus, they knew instinctively that Falun Gong was really good.

To be True, Good, and Endure: Illegal?

When in the five thousand years of Chinese history, has adhering to the principles of "to be True, Good, and Endure" been illegal? What are people really doing when they assist Jiang in the persecution of Falun Gong? Are they trying to get practitioners to stop conducting themselves in accordance with the principles of Heaven? Are they trying to punish them for being good, righteous, and, honest people? Shouldn't a government reward outstanding behavior instead of torturing people to death for it?

Secretly, I was filled with joy when thirty-five practitioners from ten countries visited here to denounce the torture of their fellow practitioners in China and restore the good

name of their teacher. When one of the Westerners asked why they were arrested in Tiananmen Square for merely holding up a banner with the words, "Truth, Compassion, and Tolerance" ("to be True, Good, and Endure") on it, a guard at the jail answered, "Jiang has outlawed the display of those three characters."

Think about it; according to Falun Gong, these three Chinese characters symbolize the highest qualities or characteristics in the Universe. Thus, anyone earnestly cultivating and assimilating themselves to these qualities or characteristics will eventually achieve the Tao. Doesn't this sound like a great and admirable thing for a man to strive for and achieve in his lifetime? However, from Jiang's point of view, somehow this is *illegal!*

The Missing Piece to the Puzzle

People outside of China who have been fortunate enough to be only minimally affected by Jiang's propaganda, find it almost impossible to comprehend that Jiang would, without cause or reason, imprison and torture human beings for putting their arms up in the air, silently doing five simple exercises in a park, or reading wholesome books. These same people think to themselves, "Surely, a government could not be this cruel and terrorize its own people to this degree! If Falun Gong is as bad as Jiang says it is, then why isn't there any real evidence to support his claims? Without real evidence, this persecution makes absolutely no sense at all. Surely, there must be a missing piece to this Falun Gong puzzle!"

Yes, there is a missing piece to this puzzle. It is the slow-motion video of the so-called "self-immolation" incident. Once you see this video:

<http://www.faluninfo.net/tiananmen/immolation.asp> you will instantly realize that Jiang's brutal persecution has absolutely nothing to do with practicing peaceful exercises in the park or reading wholesome books, which of course, you intuitively knew all along. It has to do with something sinister... something evil... something unthinkable...

It has to do with the systematic imprisonment, torture, and murder of innocent people for two reasons and two reasons only. Jiang felt threatened by the sheer number of practitioners in the Falun Gong organization and he felt threatened by the righteous principles that Falun Gong was spreading throughout society.

Is this not a horrible reason to commit genocide against a kind and gentle people? This is the true story of Falun Gong. It isn't very complicated anymore, is it?

The Slander & Slaughter Formula

The Party has specific procedures for removing any perceived threat to its power, be it real or imagined. I call it the *slander & slaughter* formula. They use it anytime they want to destroy the reputation of a popular high profile figure, organization, or ideology that isn't in line with the prevailing political climate. It's both simple and very effective.

How did Jiang go about putting this formula into practice, as it relates to Falun Gong? First, he fabricated slanderous "evidence" out of thin air so Falun Gong's pristine reputation was immediately called into question, again and again. Then he refused to give them the opportunity to dispute this "evidence" or to work out a solution to the perceived problems at hand. By doing this, Jiang intentionally destroyed Falun Gong's reputation in the public's eye, making them extremely unpopular overnight. He used every form of trickery imaginable to discredit, slander, and frame the group. This includes using

unforgettable emotional labels, such as “evil cult,” “doomsday cult,” or “terrorist cult” to describe an ancient cultivation practice that Mr. Li has popularized in these modern times. Anytime the public saw or heard these slanderous terms, an automatic gut wrenching response would be produced in these people, causing them to associate Falun Gong with everything evil. Couple that, with emotional photos of bloody murder scenes supposedly caused by practitioners under the so-called “direction” of Mr. Li and just like *that*, you have a successful smear campaign. What is the ultimate goal of this smear campaign? It is to demonize Mr. Li and Falun Gong in the minds and hearts of the Chinese people. Plain and simple.

However, Jiang did not stop there. He also destroyed Falun Gong books, tapes, videos, and CD's making them illegal to possess, even in one's own home. This of course, made it very difficult for anyone to compare the things Jiang claimed Mr. Li said with the things Mr. Li *actually* said. Jiang also enacted a “law” forbidding practitioners from gathering in groups. Whenever they were caught associating together, even in the privacy of their own homes, the police would say, “Look, these people are all law breakers, common criminals who need to be thrown into jail for disregarding State laws.”

Jiang labeled Falun Gong a “counter-revolutionary organization” and made it illegal for them to defend themselves in public or in court. He forbade attorneys to take on Falun Gong cases under any circumstances, thus, denying practitioners legal consul and without legal consul, how could they properly defend themselves? He also had the courts sentence practitioners during mock trials, behind closed doors and refused all requests from foreign journalists to cover these events.

He created rumors and spread lies to incite the masses, so in the end, it was the masses themselves that spread fear and loathing, further demonizing Falun Gong.

Jiang ordered the police to break up families by arresting one or both of the parents and/or family members and harassed anyone visiting or leaving a practitioner's home. He ordered healthy practitioners committed to mental hospitals where they were injected with very powerful, nerve-damaging drugs. He had them thrown in “labor camps”—prisons of torture!—where he ordered the cell guards to use the most barbaric and extreme measures imaginable to force the practitioners to renounce their belief in Falun Gong or, in other words, to renounce their belief in the universal principles “to be True, Good, and Endure.”

But think about it, how can these guards force a person to renounce their belief in such universal principles? Isn't that akin to forcing a practitioner to stop believing in the existence of the sun and the moon?! “Okay, okay, you've tortured me long enough! I'll renounce my belief in the existence of the sun and the moon!”

Jiang also promoted the widespread practice of allowing the police to extort money from Falun Gong family members, in order to guarantee the early release of an illegally imprisoned practitioner. He gave permission for the police to break into practitioners homes and search for Falun Gong books and tapes, leaving their homes turned upside-down every time they walked out the door. Most of the time these illegal break-ins were conducted in the middle of the night, under the cover of darkness. They would run in and forcefully grab the practitioners, even sometimes by their hair and literally drag them from their homes to awaiting police vans. The police did not even allow the practitioners to gather up some clothes to cover themselves or put shoes on their feet. Many times, very young infants were left unattended while the parents were arrested and taken away. The lawlessness the police demonstrated and continue to demonstrate during these raids is quite horrifying. Many practitioners who were forcefully removed from their homes never returned to them. Why? Because the police confiscated their homes leaving the

practitioners homeless. In addition, the police often emptied out these practitioners' bank accounts leaving whole families penniless.

Jiang also ordered the police to randomly stop people on the street and ask them if they were Falun Gong practitioners, knowing that practitioners would not lie to them. These people were made to slander Mr. Li or spit and stomp on his photo, knowing that a practitioner and even many non-practitioners would never do such a disrespectful thing. If anyone refused the police demands, they would be arrested on the spot for being either a Falun Gong practitioner or at least, pro-Falun Gong. As the police saw it, even if you were just pro-Falun Gong, you were definitely and automatically against the Chinese government.

Was the Party interested in protecting the people from the so-called “evils” of Falun Gong as they tried to make it appear? Or, were they simply interested in protecting the Party's interests, power, and control by silencing Falun Gong, thereby effectively burying the truth of this persecution?

If a Falun Gong practitioner died in custody, it was claimed that he “jumped out of a building,” “jumped from a moving vehicle on the way to the detention camp,” “hung himself in his jail cell,” died of a “heart attack” or “natural causes.” This was obviously done to remove any trace of the murder's responsibility. Keep in mind that there have been many, many cases where the police actually did shove practitioners out of fast moving vehicles, or forced them to jump out of buildings while interrogating or torturing them. This type of thing really does take place, even though it is hard to imagine. Of course, all of these deaths are routinely reported as “suicides.”

However, the police still had to get rid of the evidence... the dead body, right? So what did they do? They quickly carted the body off to an authorized medical facility that specialized in harvesting or taking out the internal organs of a person's corpse. Those organs that were salvageable would later be sold through discrete channels in the huge international human-organ trade. That is one of the main reasons why they cremated the victim's body without delay. If a relative were to come to claim the body and saw a half meter incision up the front of the corpse with an imploded look to it (due to the missing organs), it would raise a hurricane of questions, wouldn't it? It would be too obvious as to the real nature of the practitioner's death. Therefore, the police have always found it safer to have the body cremated and simply hand the ashes to a family member in a jar.

Jiang also made all relatives of a Falun Gong practitioner “guilty by association” and disrupted their lives as well, all the while pointing the finger at Falun Gong, saying in effect, “It is Falun Gong that causes havoc and disrupts the normal functioning of society! If we eradicated this evil cult, we would not be faced with all these disruptions.” They tried to make it look like Falun Gong was the culprit here and therefore the cause of all of China's woes. However, if you force people to focus on the idea that Falun Gong is “disrupting the whole of society,” then that is what people will focus on. It is like the Chinese expression, “look one way and row another.” No one exemplifies that better than Jiang himself, China's master of deceit. Of course, using Falun Gong as a scapegoat was a way to avoid admitting that it is the illegal persecution of Falun Gong itself that is disrupting the society, not Falun Gong.

Those who punish practitioners are the true criminals here because Falun Gong has done nothing wrong. Moreover, when I read the reports from our team of informants and guards stationed within prison walls, I can hardly bear it. I find that I can only read one or two reports at a time. Any more than that and my heart becomes so heavy I cannot seem to breathe.

Governing the State with Cleverness

From my point of view, it is just a matter of time before the Tao (the ceaseless flux of creative intelligence), brings all of the lies and half-truths of this persecution to light, just as it reduces all mountains to dust and dulls the sharpest sword.

Anyone who harmonizes himself with the Tao will flourish; anyone who does not will meet with misfortune and hardship. This is a universal principle that no one can escape. Lao Tzu once said:

For why are the people hard to govern? Because they are too cunning! Therefore, he who governs his State with cleverness is its malefactor; but he who governs his State without resorting to cleverness is its benefactor. To know these principles is to possess a rule and measure. To keep the rule and the measure constantly in your mind is what we call Mystical Virtue. Deep and far-reaching is Mystical Virtue! It leads all things to return, till they come back to Great Harmony!

Since Jiang governs *his* State with cleverness, he feels comfortable saying what he wants, when he wants, and to whomever he wants, whether it's true or not. He thinks that even if he is caught in a lie, so what, he can always just deny it. This “cleverness” however, is exemplified most clearly in the tall tales his State-run media fabricate about Falun Gong.

The Chinese people basically would find it hard to conceive of anyone doing the things Jiang does, for the reasons he does them. This makes these people very vulnerable to his propaganda. They plainly underestimate his ability to deceive them. Moreover, they blindly trust him, as if he has earned and therefore deserves their trust. However, quite to the contrary, he deserves the people's suspicion, disbelief, and finally their fury!

I am definitely not alone in holding this opinion. There are many Party members that secretly oppose Jiang's handling of Falun Gong—more than Jiang could ever imagine. His brand of leadership provides little comfort to those who see its ruinous effects. In addition, many Party members will continue to practice Falun Gong, no matter what the consequences.

Jiang does not realize that just because he coerced and threatened Party members to denounce Falun Gong and forbids anyone to practice the exercises, this does not mean these people's hearts have changed towards Falun Gong. As I see it, you can never change a person's inner beliefs through intimidation.

Guilty as Charged?

Think back on what occurred to Liu Shaoqi, the ex-chairman and head of State of the People's Republic of China. He was labeled a “betrayor, an undiscovered traitor, and a thief to the workers.” Although he was stripped of his power in 1968, his reputation was rehabilitated posthumously in 1980. Why was this done? Because it was discovered that he was falsely accused. Moreover, as everyone knows, truth will eventually triumph over lies... always.

And let us not forget Deng Xiaoping. He was overthrown by the same methods Jiang is using to destroy Falun Gong. Not only that, but Deng was also forbidden to hold public office again. However, in the end, he was completely absolved of all charges against him and later became China's second-generation leader.

History shows us clearly that just because a man is accused of something, does not mean he is necessarily guilty as charged, and it doesn't mean he's defeated. The same principle also applies here to Li Hongzhi and his Falun Gong. If one were to think Falun Gong is “defeated” just because Falun Gong has been accused of thousands of crimes that they did not commit, I would say this person does not have the proper understanding of the spiritual mechanics at work here. In my opinion, it would be easier for Jiang to stop the earth from spinning on its axis than to defeat Falun Gong—and that is putting it ever so mildly! Therefore, the Chinese people must be careful not to secure the wrath of Heaven by assisting Jiang in persecuting these innocent practitioners. In the end, the people who assist Jiang in this way may find that they have made an unalterable mistake—or, as the saying goes, “Wood has already been made into a boat” (Moo Yi Tszen Zhou), meaning, once a man takes certain actions, there is no turning back.

There are those who ignorantly believe they will not be held accountable for the wrongdoings they committed against Falun Gong. However, at the end of their lives they will know how wrong they were for having such whimsical notions. With smug grins on their faces, these same people dare to stubbornly and naively discount the existence of a Great Law that governs all life in the Universe, saying that believing in such a Law is “talking superstition.” However, this does not mean these people will not be judged by the same Law they insist does not exist. It is as Arthur Schopenhauer, a 19th century German philosopher once said, “All truth passes through three stages: First, it is ridiculed; Second, it is violently opposed; and Third, it is accepted as self-evident.”

The Buck Stops Here

From the very beginning of this persecution, I felt that someone in the Communist Party needed to expose the truth behind this hellish persecution. Then I realized that that someone might as well be me and it might as well be now. As a government official, it is my duty to serve, to look out for my country's best interests, and to be directly responsible to the Chinese people. This is what being an official is all about, is it not?

When I see the Chinese being forced into believing whatever Jiang wants them to believe, I see him abusing the faith and trust they naturally put in him. Knowing this, I cannot help but oppose him... as if my very life depended on it.

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Propaganda: Deceptive Persuasion

Propaganda, by its very nature, is information or ideas methodically spread to promote or injure a person, organization, cause, movement, nation, etc. At its core it is extremely manipulative, deceptive, and confusing.

The reason it works so well is because it catches people off guard. They aren't really expecting it. They're just trying to raise a family, make a living, or have a little fun in their lives. They don't feel they have time enough to worry about whether a propagandist is trying to deceive them or not and in most cases, they don't really care. Why don't they care? It is because most people don't fancy themselves as being strategists—which of course, they're not. However, that's just a poor excuse not to pay attention to reality, to the way things really are. Just because people are not strategists doesn't mean they are incapable of discerning the true from the false, fact from fiction.

In addition, it doesn't mean that just because people bury their heads in the sand that their lives are not negatively affected by their refusal to face the truth. The consequences of denial do not disappear just because one has rosy thoughts. Let me explain...

A propagandist's job is to influence a person's feelings, thoughts, emotions, viewpoints, and opinions in a subtle way, until they change from what they are now, to what he wants them to be, all without a hint of his involvement. How does he manage to get away with this? I'll tell you; human beings, deep down inside, have an un-voiced longing to believe what they are told and a propagandist knows this fact very, very well. Thus, he purposely preys on people's innocence, naiveté, and trust. The masses are taken in by his message, due in part, to their inherent laziness, preoccupation with their own personal lives, or just plain apathy. Meaning, they do not usually accept responsibility for being aware and informed, rather, they expect someone else to make them aware and informed. Herein lies the power of propaganda.

You see, a skilled propagandist can be likened to a master magician. What do I mean by this? He takes a couple of graphic images, adds in a few key words, sprinkles in a bit of the reader's or viewer's emotions, and “*Presto!*”—out of thin air a person's whole viewpoint of the world changes without that person ever being aware of it. I call it the art of deceptive persuasion or simply, propaganda.

For the most part, the people we meet on a day-to-day basis are not usually planning and scheming to deceive us into believing something that is obviously not true. As a result, we wind up developing a somewhat passive approach to communication which can easily spill over into how we take in the news when we turn on our TV set. Thus, out of habit, we allow ourselves to remain open and therefore vulnerable to the messages we're listening to or viewing. There is a part of us that naturally wants to do this. However, propaganda is not a passive form of communication. Rather, it is extremely aggressive.

So how can the average person on the street hope to get past this *smoke and mirrors* show and prevent themselves from falling into this propaganda trap? Well on one hand, yes, propaganda is specifically engineered to be confusing, vague, and misleading, causing a person to become distracted and coaxing them into letting their guard down. This is true. However, on the other hand, propaganda can also be very apparent; very easy

to see through. This is especially true for people living outside of China looking at the Party's smear campaign against Falun Gong, inside of China.

For example, the State-run media's #1 job is to disseminate the Party's propaganda, or in other words, their lies. This is a given. Equally true is the fact that the Party has declared war on Falun Gong and is out to slander and destroy them any way they can. This is another given. Therefore, based on these two given points, is it not true that the “news” the media reports about Falun Gong will inevitably be pure, unadulterated propaganda? It has to be! Consequently, won't this “news” be severely biased and distorted? Therefore, since propaganda itself is always a distortion of the truth, instead of looking for the State-run media to supply you with the truth about Falun Gong, the only thing you should be looking for and expect to find, are distortions of the truth about Falun Gong. This simple shift in perspective will make it possible for you to avoid this propaganda trap completely. Why? Because you cannot be fooled by propaganda if you *know* it is propaganda, right?

Incidentally, can you ever recall the Party saying anything positive about Falun Gong after the persecution began, anything at all? However, before the persecution began, the Party had plenty of good things to say. Is it really as the Party now claims, “Falun Gong is 100% bad”? I would not buy into this silly propaganda if I were you. Why? Because it is not Falun Gong that has changed since it was first introduced to the public... it is the *position* Jiang forced the Party to take *towards* Falun Gong that has changed. Falun Gong has always been good because the principles guiding the practice of Falun Gong, “to be True, Good, and Endure,” are good. They are unchanging; thus they are enduring.

So, who actually deserves “credit” for manufacturing this insidious propaganda against Falun Gong? It is the Central Propaganda Ministry—a full time governmental operation whose sole purpose is to create and execute countless hidden Party agendas. Each agenda is designed to evoke a certain response from you, that is, win you over to the Party's point of view or at least neutralize your efforts to oppose the Party. In reality, this discussion on propaganda, as it relates to Falun Gong, boils down to this: no matter what the media tells you about Falun Gong, no matter how much so-called “evidence” they produce, no matter how many “witnesses” they say they've rounded up, no matter how many “facts and figures” they wave in our face, and no matter how many so-called “reformed” practitioners are shown denouncing Falun Gong, all of it is propaganda, therefore, all of it has no relevance to the truth.

About Defamation

One of the most basic and sinister tactics Jiang uses to attack Falun Gong is defamation. Defamation consists of lies, half-truths, misrepresentations, and words or ideas taken completely out of context. The aim is always the same, to discredit the target (Falun Gong), so as to make it out to be something other than it is. Jiang wants the public to see Falun Gong as “hostile” to China's interests, “dangerous,” “evil in nature,” and “antithetical” to all the common man stands for.

For example, on February 27, 2001, Liu Jin, a member of the State Council Office for the Prevention and Handling of Cults said, “Enticing practitioners to 'take the final step,'” Li Hongzhi has also instigated and driven these obsessive followers to give up 'faith in life' and 'care for life' in order to achieve 'nirvana.’” However, the “facts” as stated above are sheer nonsense. Mr. Li never said or implied any one of those ridiculous statements. Had he, one would expect to find corresponding references to them in written or voice-

recorded form, right? But no matter how hard you look, you will not find even one of them—not in any recorded speech, book, article, or the like. Go ahead, investigate this yourself. I guarantee you are just wasting your time. Rather, if you exert even the slightest degree of effort, you will find a rather large body of statements saying just the opposite, such as, killing is wrong, killing oneself is a sin, and that all practitioners everywhere are taught to cherish all life including their own, and so on.

Now comes the big question. If no evidence ever existed to support Liu Jin's allegations, then why would he publicly attribute such statements to Mr. Li? Why would he be so bold as to accuse Li of saying things he never said? The answer can be found in a complex protocol of deceit and trickery that Jiang and his gang use to provide themselves with an aura of invincibility. This allows them to do and say what they please with impunity. Some of the many tactics they use are as follows:

- They admit no wrong and make no apologies.
- They put together preposterous and baseless claims.
- They offer no explanations at all for the claims they make.
- They never allow anyone to freely verify or investigate their claims.
- They never defend themselves, their positions, or their statements.

What would happen if a foreign journalist were to be caught in China investigating any number of Jiang's bogus anti-Falun Gong news stories? Upon seeing that this person had penetrated the Party's web of lies, they would swiftly enact a barrage of ridiculous laws accusing the investigator of “prying into State secrets,” “undermining the law with cult activities,” violating China's “right to State privacy,” “disrupting public order,” or some other meaningless drivel. In addition, he could even be jailed, beaten, tortured, and forced to sign a “confession” admitting to his “treasonous” acts. Yes, this is exactly how things are done in China today, and it is not a very pretty picture either. Whatever power and popularity the Party enjoys, although built on lies and deceit, claims scores of gullible people as their victims.

The interesting thing here is this: Jiang and his gang get so wrapped up in their web of lies that they themselves actually wind up losing perspective on the truth itself. How's that? They get a trifle too sure of themselves and as a result arrogance sets in. What do I mean? Here is the scenario: Jiang boards the official plane designated for presidential travel and lands in a foreign country ready to attend a meeting of high-level dignitaries. So far so good. However, being unable to contain his exaggerated self-importance, (which he should have left back in China), he addresses his audience as if he were back in China—even though he is thousands of miles away. So why is this a problem? Because this audience does not take his presidential position quite as seriously as he does or as seriously as our Chinese people do. As a result, they judge him on his words and deeds, not on the prestige of his title or the bloated, pompous image he has of himself.

One day, I clearly remember that he handed out color brochures to all the attendees of a very important international meeting in the U.S. The brochure contained bogus pictures of the supposed murders that Falun Gong practitioners committed here in China. It was very gruesome, very graphic, and very crude. The U.S. officials there couldn't believe their eyes. Jiang, on the other hand, was oblivious as to how utterly foolish and disrespectful he was being. He was just too busy being proud of himself to notice.

Because of his arrogance, his perspective was thrown off. Why? Because he unwittingly put his propaganda in the wrong hands! You see, the one rule of thumb

commonly known in the propaganda world is that propaganda doesn't work on those who know it is propaganda! That was a serious oversight on Jiang's part that fateful day. His true colors showed through his thin veneer of "respectability." Handing out those brochures showed those present just how desperate Jiang was to cover up not only his Falun Gong dirty work, but also his conniving and murderous nature. In a word, it made him look like the fool he is.

Instead of convincing those present to support his ambitions to globally persecute Falun Gong, they felt insulted beyond measure. Or, as the Chinese saying goes, Jiang tried to "ride the wind and break the waves" (Chen Feng Po Lon). That is, he tried hard to achieve his ambitions but failed miserably.

One Little Step?

Somehow, Jiang wants the world to play stupid and believe that, for some unfathomable reason, only within the borders of China do Falun Gong practitioners become obsessed, murderous, suicidal pyromaniacs. Does it have anything to do with the Chinese air? The Chinese water? The Chinese culture? The Chinese food? Surely, there must be some reasonable explanation. What is it about standing on Chinese soil that supposedly makes these practitioners go insane? Are we saying that just by crossing the border into China, practitioners will change into "evil cult members" obsessed with murdering people, committing suicide, and setting themselves on fire? Is that what we're saying here?

On the other hand, are we saying that taking one step backwards, that is, crossing the border out of China, instantly changes these practitioners back into the people all nations have come to respect? Is this what Jiang wants the world to believe—that one little step makes all the difference?! But if that were true, then why hasn't anyone seen any news reports of practitioners living outside of China turning into raving psychopaths while traveling inside of China?

As you can see, his propaganda tries to persuade the countries of the world that "Falun Gong is a serious threat to mankind" when no such threat even remotely exists! Whatever the Chinese media says about Falun Gong has always been groundless babble to those who are even half awake. Jiang wants the world leaders to heed his words of "caution" and join his anti-Falun Gong crusade, but they have no reason on earth to take him seriously. Oh sure, he does have tons of "evidence" he's fabricated to prove he's telling the "truth," but who is listening to him anymore? What country in the world is relying on the Chinese media to provide true and accurate news as it relates to Falun Gong? None that I know of.

Also, how is Jiang to explain the fact that all the evil things that Falun Gong is being accused of doing on a daily basis in China hasn't occurred yet—not once!—in over three years in a row outside of China? Jiang couldn't explain this discrepancy if his life depended upon it, as he has no defense whatsoever. Why? Because Falun Gong is exactly the opposite of what he says it is, and he knows this well.

Nothing Jiang says about Falun Gong stacks up to how the world experiences it. Meaning, Jiang cannot attack Falun Gong for what it is, he can only attack Falun Gong for what he *portrays* it to be. How can he attack Falun Gong, which is something wholesome and good, without first making it look like it's unwholesome and bad? He can't. That is the point here. That is why it is so important for him to demonize Falun Gong in the eyes of the Chinese people and, for that matter, the rest of the world. That is exactly

the reason Jiang intentionally orchestrated the “self-immolation” incident in Tiananmen Square. He did it solely to legitimize his crusade against Falun Gong and to gain the support and backing of the Communist Party. Only by doing this could he fulfill his personal objective to wipe out this meditation group.

Now stop and think for a moment. What kind of evilness must be lurking inside this man that drives him to want to defame innocent human beings like this? How could he, of all people on this planet, have the audacity to call Falun Gong “evil”? It's not Falun Gong that's slandering, torturing, and murdering innocent people on a daily basis, it's Jiang Zemin who's doing it. Thus, in my mind, he is, without a doubt, the most complete and perfect expression of evil I know of!

Now back to our discussion...

Understanding Defamation

At this moment, in China, there are no laws whatsoever protecting Falun Gong from defamation. There were at one time, but Jiang suspended the Constitution as it applied to Falun Gong and simply changed the laws.

I am sure you have noticed how easy it is to accuse someone of a crime and how utterly time consuming and difficult it is for the accused to prove their innocence. Jiang's State-run media can spend three minutes accusing someone of something on TV and it could take a lifetime for the accused to clear their name—that is, if they're lucky. In China, that's just how things work. You see, when a man has to prove his innocence, he is after all, put in a weaker position than his accuser. Furthermore, it takes far less energy to accuse than to defend and the risks are not comparable either. It is literally exhausting having to constantly prove one's innocence and defend one's reputation. Yet, this is precisely what Jiang forces millions of practitioners to do, every single day.

Moreover, these practitioners have lost their right to appeal, so never mind them having the opportunity to get a fair trial to clear their name. Falun Gong is strictly forbidden to defend itself in any way, shape, or form. As a result, practitioners must resort to posting informational flyers clarifying the real truth behind Jiang's conspiracy to slander and defame Falun Gong. However, that too is a “criminal act” according to “laws” Jiang had enacted. In fact, as it stands now, it could cost a man his life if he were caught posting Falun Gong flyers. How is that? Jiang issued a “law” ordering the police to “shoot to kill” anyone posting any information relating to Falun Gong. I ask you: Doesn't this sound just a trifle too extreme?

You see, the degree to which Jiang reacts to any given situation is the degree to which he is guilty as charged. And he knows it. He also knows he absolutely cannot defend himself against the facts written on those flyers, so he does the next best thing—he orders the police to kill the people putting them up! Think about it; isn't there something written on those pieces of paper that severely threatens Jiang and implicates him and his criminal gang? Don't these flyers explain the truth about what is really going on here... the truth that he does not want the Chinese people to know? Isn't Jiang afraid of having some ugly, shameful secret revealed which will cause him to be seen for what he is: a murderous, heartless tyrant? Could it be that the Chinese people would turn against him in large numbers if that secret ever came to light? I know so. I have read those flyers myself and they indeed expose the truth of this persecution—very accurately so.

Unlike Jiang, a righteous leader doesn't spend his whole life hiding his actions from

everyone. He lets his actions speak for themselves; he's proud of them. He uses words, not violence to settle differences. He is compassionate and kind, not cruel and vicious.

Have you ever noticed how Jiang always appears suspicious, shifty, and nervous in public? Why does he blow up when foreign reporters even remotely suggest there is another side to this Falun Gong issue that is simply not being told? Why would he inundate the masses, from schoolchildren on up to the elderly, with anti-Falun Gong defamation when the nation has so many immediate and serious problems that plagues it? You see, none of this is rational; it is the product of deep fear.

A Gold Medal for Social Terrorism?

The fact that Jiang Zemin actively promotes State-sanctioned terrorism is reason enough, in my opinion, to have denied China the privilege of hosting the 2008 Olympics. Think about it; why would the world want to award him for terrorizing innocent Falun Gong, Tibetan, Christian, and Muslim individuals who he framed and tortured simply because he thought there were too many of them around and he felt threatened?

Consider what the following organizations have to say about this 2008 Olympics issue:

“Political imprisonment, torture, and a frenzy of executions fly in the face of the Olympic Charter's principles of the preservation of human dignity and respect for universal fundamental ethical principles.”

– **Amnesty International UK, July 13, 2001**

“This will put the stamp of international approval for Beijing's human rights abuses and will encourage China to escalate its repression.”

– **Tibetan Government in Exile, July 2001**

“The IOC's [The International Olympics Committee] 'bet' on China improving its human rights record as a result of becoming the host city for the 2008 Olympics received its first blow when the Chinese Vice-Premier, Li Lanqing, stated that in winning the Games, the world community had recognized 'China's social stability, economic progress and the healthy life of the Chinese people.’”

– **The Tibet Information Network**

Isn't holding the Olympics in China equivalent to awarding Jiang and his Party a gold medal for social terrorism?

Is the Persecution of Falun Gong Grounded in Constitutional Law?

Tyrants like Jiang only allow one voice to be heard—theirs. From the very beginning, Falun Gong wanted a chance to work things out with Jiang, to resolve the situation peacefully and diplomatically, to everyone's satisfaction. Why didn't Jiang go this route? Because he never intended to resolve anything in the first place.

Instead, he wanted the Chinese to perceive Falun Gong as a threat to public safety and public security. In this way, Falun Gong would be seen as “public enemy number one.”

thus opening the door for Jiang to come to the public's "rescue" and eliminate this perceived "threat" to society; the very "threat" his propaganda campaign created in the first place.

Jiang's regime has even gone on record as saying that the persecution of Falun Gong is grounded in constitutional law. Consider the following article, "Pro-Falun Gong Activities Prohibited," which was widely circulated by the Government:

(July 29, 1999) The Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China on July 22 issued a notice prohibiting all activities in support of Falun Gong, which was termed illegal and has been banned. Earlier, [on] July 22, the Ministry of Civil Affairs issued a decision banning the Research Society of Falun Dafa and the Falun Gong organization under its control after judging them to be illegal.

The Ministry of Public Security in its notice prohibits anyone from hanging up or posting any scrolls, pictures, insignias or other signs in any place that publicize Falun Dafa or Falun Gong.

The notice says that no one is allowed to distribute books and other publications, audiovisual materials or any other propaganda products in any place publicizing Falun Dafa. The ministry also prohibits anyone from rallying people to "practice Falun Gong in groups," "publicize Falun Dafa," or carry out any other activities to propagate Falun Gong.

The ministry prohibits activities that support or publicize Falun Dafa such as holding gatherings, parades, or demonstrations in the form of sit-ins, or by appealing to higher authorities for help.

The notice prohibits all activities that incite disturbances of public order by creating fabrications and distortions of fact, intentionally spreading rumors, or by any other means.

The ministry also bans anyone from organizing, establishing ties for, or conducting any activities, which resist related government decisions. Any violation of these aforementioned regulations will be pursued for criminal liability or given administrative punishment according to the degree of seriousness of each case, the notice says.

Note in particular the passage, "the ministry prohibits... appealing to higher authorities for help." This is a declaration that the Constitution of the People's Republic of China, which grants citizens the right to appeal to authorities when wrongly treated, is suspended in the case of Falun Gong practitioners. That is, one is condemned simply by virtue of practicing Falun Gong. Further, it means that by law, practitioners have no rights, recourse, or refuge anywhere. This permits Jiang's anti-Falun Gong propaganda campaign to roll on unabated. Motivated by political and personal gain, Jiang has completely stripped away these people's rights as lawful citizens of China.

This persecution of Falun Gong is not grounded in Chinese constitutional law as the Party claims it is. It never was and never will be. So what they claim is simply untrue. However, what *is* true is the utterly repressive nature of the Communist Party, which is common knowledge throughout the world. Here is an excerpt from an article that highlights this point called, “China arrests 30,000 members of spiritual group”: “... [Li Hongzhi's] popularity is great enough in China to have led to the arrest of more than 30,000 practitioners and a formal ban on Falun Gong, apparently for little more than being popular and thereby posing a threat to the stability of the repressive Communist regime” (*The Globe and Mail*, Canada, July 22, 1999, by Miro Cernetig).

Private Conversations with Foreign Officials

Throughout the years, I have met with various foreign officials in both public and in private. On numerous occasions, after feeling relatively comfortable with each other, I would risk sharing a few of my “off-the-record” thoughts about Jiang Zemin. This included his character (or should I say *lack* of character), his position on Tibet and Taiwan, his various religious persecution campaigns, and of course, Falun Gong.

I was always amused by these officials' surprised yet cautious responses. However, as I opened myself up to them, they almost always seemed willing to open themselves up to me. The following are just a few of the more “gracious” comments I have heard regarding Jiang:

- 1) “Yes, the world really does see through and past his insidious propaganda.”
- 2) “Sure, he is the President of China but more to the point, he is an embarrassment to the Chinese race!”
- 3) “Jiang terrorizes his own people under the banner of 'maintaining social order' and gets away with it, year after year after year.”
- 4) “Jiang's strong-arm politics is a grave mistake in leadership. Controlling a country's people through intimidation and fear will surely meet with disaster in the long run.”

As you can probably guess, there are not many foreign officials left who do not see through Jiang's deceptive nature. People everywhere are getting very clear on this point.

China's Invasion of Tibet... the Real Story

The Falun Gong story is similar in ways to the Tibet story, the biggest similarity being that they are both presently being persecuted unjustly and without cause by the same group of Chinese Party scoundrels.

As you are reading this section, you will quickly realize that for as long as China was ruled by the Chinese Communists, there have always been massive secret government cover-ups to protect the Party's interests and hide their involvement in countless illegal agendas—none of them furthering the interests of the Chinese people, of course.

As one would expect, the Party used massive propaganda campaigns to whitewash the ignoble and brutal campaigns they perpetrated against any person or group even

remotely threatening the Party's policy of "total power and total control." Below is a sampling of lies China continues to tell the world in an effort to justify their imperialistic invasion of Tibet.

1) China claims that the "right of ownership" and therefore the right to exploit Tibet, stems from a relationship that existed 700 years ago, or, at best, 200 years ago. However, there was no such relationship that would have warranted China's claims, then or now, thus China has no such legal right to "own" or exploit Tibet.

2) China insists that the colony of Tibet is an integral part of the "motherland" of China. It is not.

Tibetan ruler Trisong Detsen (reign: 755-797) expanded the Tibetan empire by conquering parts of China. In 763, China's capital Chang'an (modern day Xian) was invaded and China had to pay an annual tribute to Tibet.

In 783, a treaty was concluded which laid down the borders between Tibet and China. A pillar inscription at the foot of the Potala Palace in Lhasa bears witness to some of these conquests.

The peace treaty concluded between Tibet and China in 821, is of particular importance in illustrating the nature of relations between these two great powers of Asia. The text of this treaty, both in Tibetan and Chinese, was inscribed on three stone pillars: one was erected in Gungu Meru to demarcate the borders between the two nations, second in Lhasa where it still stands, and the third in the Chinese capital of Chang'an.

Passages quoted from the pillars in the [Chinese] White Paper are inaccurate and out of context, and aimed at creating the impression that some sort of "union" resulted from the treaty. Nothing is further from the truth, as is clear from the following principal passage of that treaty: "Tibet and China shall abide by the frontiers of which they are now in occupation. All to the east is the country of great China; and all to the west is, without question, the country of great Tibet. Henceforth, on neither side shall there be waging of war nor seizing of territory."

It is hard to see how China can, in its White Paper, interpret these events as showing that "the Tibetans and Hans [Chinese] had, through marriage between royal families and meetings leading to alliances, cemented political and kinship ties of unity and political friendship, and formed close economic and cultural relations, laying a solid foundation for the ultimate founding of a unified nation." In fact, the historical records, both Tibetan and Chinese, contradict such an interpretation and refer to separate and powerful empires.

3) China claims the Tibetan people do not have fundamental rights to independence. They do. Since Tibet was never a part of China, it was already independent of China. It is has only been seeking independence from China since China invaded it!

4) China today claims that “no country ever recognized the nation of Tibet.” However, the International Commission of Jurists' Legal Enquiry Committee on Tibet reported in its study on Tibet's legal status:

“Tibet demonstrated from 1913 to 1950 the conditions of statehood as generally accepted under international law. In 1950, there was a people and a territory, and a government which functioned in that territory, conducting its own domestic affairs free from any outside authority. From 1913-1950, foreign relations of Tibet were conducted exclusively by the Government of Tibet, and countries with whom Tibet had foreign relations are shown by official documents to have treated Tibet in practice as an independent State” (*Tibet and Chinese People's Republic*, Geneva, 1960, pp. 5, 6).

Forty years of independence is clearly sufficient for a country to be regarded as such by the international community. Many members of the United Nations today have enjoyed a similar or even shorter period of independence. But in Tibet's case, even its ancient history has been selectively re-written by the Chinese Government's propaganda machine to serve the purpose of defending its claim to “ownership.”

In international law, recognition can be obtained by an explicit act of recognition or by implicit act or behavior. The conclusion of treaties, even the conduct of negotiations, and certainly the maintenance of diplomatic relations are forms of recognition.

It was precisely because Tibet *was* recognized as an independent country that:

...China's [then] President repeatedly sent letters and envoys to the Dalai Lama and to the Tibetan Government asking that Tibet “join” the Republic of China. Similar messages were sent by China to the Government of Nepal. Both Tibet and Nepal consistently refused to join China.

In response to the first letter of Chinese President Yuan Shih-kai, the Thirteenth Dalai Lama rejected the invitation to join the Republic, explaining courteously but firmly that Tibetans did “not approve” of the Chinese Government due to past injustices and stated:

“The [Chinese] Republic has only just been proclaimed and the national foundations are far from strong. It behooves the President to exert his energies towards the maintenance of order. As for Tibet, the Tibetans are quite capable of preserving their existence intact and there is no occasion for the President to worry himself at this distance or to be discomposed” (Guomin Gongbao, 6 Jan. 1913).

5) From 1911-1949, China "... unilaterally announced in its constitution and in communications to other countries that Tibet was a province of the Republic of China (one of the 'five races' of the Republic)." What China announced was not true. Tibet was never a part of China. If it was a part of China, then why did China's president at that time repeatedly send "... letters and envoys to the Dali Lama and to the Tibetan Government asking that Tibet "join" the Republic of China? [...] It's akin to asking a soldier in an army to join the army, he is already in the army, that is why you wouldn't need to ask him to join."

When the Tibetan Government refused to "join" the Republic of China in a formal letter, the Chinese lied and said on official record that the Dalai Lama said:

"It is not my true intention to be on intimate terms with the British... I swear to be loyal to our country [China] and jointly work for the happiness of the five races."

A short time later, the Chinese falsely quoted the Dalai Lama as having said, "My greatest wish is for the real peace and unification of China..."

There is no historical record of the Dalai Lama having made such statements in 1930. On the contrary, the official record of the Dalai Lama's reply to the Chinese President in 1930 contradicts this statement. The record refers to a list of eight questions submitted to the Dalai Lama on behalf of the Chinese President and contains each of the Dalai Lama's responses.

6) China claims that "...in 1653 and 1713, the Qing [Chinese] emperors granted honorific titles to the 5th Dalai Lama and the 5th Bainqen (Panchen) Lama [that is, individual lamas were sent to Tibetan monasteries to grant honorific imperial titles from the Chinese Emperor to the Tibetan lamas], henceforth establishing the titles of the Dali Lama and the Bainqen Erdini and their political and religious status in Tibet." This claim is absurd! China simply fabricated this propaganda to legitimize their "right" to invade Tibet—plain and simple. China was in effect saying:

We created the titles so we must have had the power to create them meaning the Dalai Lama needed the approval of the [Chinese] national government [which] is sufficient proof that Tibet did not possess any independent power during that period (1911-1949).

However... "there is no evidence whatsoever of political subordination of Tibet or its rulers to China or the Ming emperors [...] The Chinese Government alleges that these contacts with individual lamas demonstrate China's authority in and over Tibet. But since Tibet was not ruled by any of those lamas, whatever the nature of their contacts may have been, they could not affect the independent status of Tibet. In reality, the Dalai Lama was selected according to the age-old religious beliefs and traditions of the Tibetans and no approval of the Chinese Government was needed or sought."

7) China speaks about its alleged "ownership" of Tibet, however, under international law, "Populations that meet the criteria of 'a people,' possess the right to self-determination."

It is difficult to conceive of a better example of a distinct people [as in Tibet], with all the characteristics fulfilled: commonalities in history, language, culture, ethnicity and other manifestations of shared identity and experience; numerousness, i.e., enough persons sharing common identity and experience to warrant recognition by the international community; the existence of institutions to give expression and effect to these commonalities; the will of a people to assert the right to self-determination.

The right to self-determination means the right of a people to “determine their own political status and to determine their economic, social and cultural development free of outside interference” (International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, “Art. 1”; and International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, “Art. 1”).

Tibetans have been denied the exercise of this right since their country's invasion and occupation by China [...] In 1961, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 1723 (XVI), in which it explicitly recognized the right of the Tibetan people to self-determination.

The UN called on the PRC to cease “practices which deprive the Tibetan people of their fundamental human rights and freedoms, including their right to self-determination.” Four years later, in 1965, the UN General Assembly expressly reaffirmed this resolution in UNGA Res. 2079 (XX).

After the military invasion of Tibet had started and the small Tibetan army was defeated, the PRC imposed a treaty on the Tibetan Government under the terms of which Tibet was declared to be a part of China, albeit enjoying a large degree of autonomy.

However, this autonomy was mere lip service and as such, never materialized. And as the world now knows, broken promises have become the hallmark of the Chinese Communists.

In the White Paper, China claims that the treaty the PRC signed with the Tibetan Government was entered into voluntarily by the Tibetan Government and that the Dalai Lama, his Government, and the Tibetan people as a whole welcomed it. The facts show a very different story, leading to the conclusion that the so-called “17 Point Agreement for the Peaceful Liberation of Tibet” was never validly concluded and was rejected by Tibetans. The Dalai Lama stated Tibetan Prime Minister Lukhangwa as having told Chinese General Zhang Jin-wu in 1952:

“It was absurd to refer to the terms of the Seventeen-Point Agreement.

Our people did not accept the agreement and the Chinese themselves had repeatedly broken the terms of it. Their army was still in occupation of eastern Tibet; the area had not been returned to the government of Tibet, as it should have been” (*My Land and My People*, Dalai Lama, New York, Fourth Edition, 1992, p.95).

The Tibetan delegation sent to China to negotiate the terms of the Seventeen Point Agreement had to deal with the Chinese delegates present at the meeting, who, in effect, gave ultimatums to the Tibetan delegation and:

... addressed [them] in harsh and insulting terms, threatened [them] with physical violence, and ... [they were] ...virtually kept prisoners.

No further discussion was permitted, and, contrary to Chinese claims, the Tibetan delegation was prevented from contacting its Government for instructions. It was given the onerous choice of either signing the “Agreement” on its own authority or accepting responsibility for an immediate military advance on Lhasa [the capital city of Tibet].

Under immense Chinese pressure the Tibetan delegation signed the “Agreement of the Central People’s Government and the Local Government of Tibet on Measures for the Peaceful Liberation of Tibet” on 23 May 1951, without being able to inform the Tibetan Government. The delegation warned the Chinese that they were signing only in their personal capacity and had no authority to bind either the Dalai Lama or the Tibetan Government to the “Agreement.”

None of this posed an obstacle to the Chinese Government to proceed with a signing ceremony and to announce to the world that an “agreement” had been concluded for the “peaceful liberation of Tibet.” Even the seals affixed to the document were forged by the Chinese Government to give it the necessary semblance of authenticity.

The seventeen clauses of the “Agreement,” among other things, authorized the entry into Tibet of Chinese forces and empowered the Chinese Government to handle Tibet’s external affairs.

On the other hand, it guaranteed that China would not alter the existing political system in Tibet and not interfere with the established status, function, and powers of the Dalai Lama or the Panchen Lama.

The Tibetan people were to have regional autonomy, and their religious beliefs and customs were to be respected. Internal reforms in Tibet would be affected after consultation with leading Tibetans and without compulsion.

None of the above agreements, to date, have ever been honored by China... of course.

...On 9 September 1951, around 3,000 Chinese troops marched into Lhasa, soon followed by some 20,000 more, from eastern Tibet and from Eastern Turkestan (Xinjiang) in the north. The PLA occupied the principal cities of Ruthok and Gartok, and then Gyangtse and Shigatse.

With the occupation of all the major cities of Tibet, including Lhasa, and large concentration of troops throughout eastern and western Tibet, the military control of Tibet was virtually complete. From this position, China refused to re-open negotiations and the Dalai Lama had effectively lost the ability to either accept or reject any Tibet-China agreement.

In conclusion, “the Chinese Government cannot deny the fact that Tibet was independent between 1911 and 1951 without distorting history. Even China's last Head of Mission in Lhasa, Shen Tsung-Lien, wrote after leaving the country in 1948, 'since 1911 Lhasa (i.e., the Tibetan Government in Lhasa) has to all practical purposes enjoyed full independence” (*Tibet and the Tibetans*, Shen, T. and Liu, S., New York, 1973, p.62).

The majority of the above information on China's invasion of Tibet came from the full version of the Tibetan rebuttal to the Chinese White Paper. It is available at: <http://tibet.com/WhitePaper/index.html>. Below is a brief summary of this full version rebuttal:

Official Response to China's White Paper on Tibet

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As the international community takes up the issue of Tibet, China's propaganda campaign has intensified.

The White Paper on Tibet issued by the State Council of the People's Republic of China on 22 September 1992 is to counter international criticism of its illegal rule in Tibet. This document is riddled with distortions and generalized statements so incredulous that actually it does not even warrant a response.

However, to prevent the completely uninformed from being deceived, we have produced a response, *Tibet: Proving Truth from Facts*, which seeks to set the record straight on the fundamental issues raised in the Chinese White Paper.

At first glance, one will be struck by the title of the Chinese White Paper: *Tibet—Its Ownership and Human Rights Situation*. If Tibet were truly an integral part of China for hundreds of years, as China claims, Tibet could not form the object of “ownership” by the country it is already a part of. The very notion of “ownership” of Tibet by China is colonialist and imperialist in nature.

China's claim rests on Tibet's relationship with the Yuan and Qing emperors. But the truth is that the Yuan and Qing were not Chinese

empires. They were Mongol and Manchu empires, of which China only happened to form the biggest and the most important part.

Furthermore, Tibet's relationship with these empires predated the latter's conquest of China, and ended before they were overthrown by the Chinese. The relationship which existed with the Mongol and Manchu empires was a very unique one of priest and patron.

Tibet was an independent country at the time of China's invasion in 1949. The country possessed all the attributes of statehood under international law; there was a defined territory, a population inhabiting that territory; and a functioning government exercising authority over that territory and possessing the ability to enter into international relations. The so-called 17-Point Agreement which China justifies as one of the reasons for its right to rule Tibet is in international law invalid by virtue of its having been imposed on the Tibetan representatives who were forced to sign it under duress. The Tibetan representatives were told that either they should sign it or there would be grave danger not only to their own lives but also an all-out military invasion of Tibet would begin and they would be held responsible for the consequences.

That so-called Agreement had never been accepted by the Tibetan people and at the very first available opportunity His Holiness the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader and the de jure Tibetan head of state, repudiated it in unambiguous terms. He said on 20 June 1959 soon after his escape to India that the so-called 17-Point Agreement was "thrust upon Tibetan government and people by the threat of arms."

In regard to this "Agreement," Mao himself also openly admitted on 6 April 1952 that "not only the two Silons (i.e. prime ministers) but also the Dalai and most of his clique were reluctant to accept the Agreement and are unwilling to carry it out."

The second part of China's White Paper speaks about unprecedented human rights, political freedom, socio-economic and cultural progress brought to the "backward" region of Tibet under China's civilizing mission. This claims smacks of 19th century colonialism.

The White Paper unabashedly talks about how the Tibetans elect their own leaders, and so on and so forth. Political freedom and human rights, as everyone knows, do not exist even in China. The 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre is a resounding evidence of this. How can you give something to others when you can't give it to your own people?

Tibetans in Tibet would be better off today if they were allowed the freedom to manage their own affairs. The Tibetan exile community is an example of this. In terms of education, skill and general standard of living, they are far ahead of their unfortunate countrymen left in Tibet.

This, despite being refugees.

If the Tibetans in Tibet were indeed as happy as the Chinese White Paper claims, why have they risen up against Chinese rule so many times risking their lives? Why did 1.2 million Tibetans lose their lives resisting the Chinese occupation of their homeland? Furthermore, why is China not responding to the Dalai Lama's call for an internationally supervised plebiscite in Tibet?

As the first Prime Minister of independent India, Jawaharlal Nehru, said in 1950, “the last voice in regard to Tibet should be the voice of the people of Tibet and nobody else.”

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The “Self-immolation” Hoax

Jiang had been trying desperately to contain the popularity of Falun Gong and at the same time persuade the public, the police, and officials at every level of government to wholeheartedly support his plan to wipe out this peaceful mediation group. However, he did not find that to be an easy task. Why? Because his own Party was strongly divided on this Falun Gong issue, as well as many other issues relating to Jiang's poor leadership in running the country. Thus, there was sporadic enforcement of most of the anti-Falun Gong “laws” that Jiang had put into effect.

Jiang knew that his plans to do away with the group would never materialize without a united Party. That was clear. Therefore, to consolidate his power and to make the masses believe that they too should oppose Falun Gong, Jiang conjured up several hoaxes to fool the nation. The hoax-of-all-hoaxes though, was the so-called “self-immolation” incident, which, as you know, was extremely deceptive and in my view, entirely unwarranted.

Jiang was relatively confident that the public would not immediately link his Party to this sham event. That's why he decided to brazenly move ahead with his plans to stage this “self-immolation” in Tiananmen Square, which of course, had the full backing of his State-run media, every step of the way. His twisted logic proved to be right in this instance, as this hoax was in fact, generally “successful,” meaning, he was able to fool millions of people into thinking that Falun Gong was a genuine threat to society.

Looking past Jiang's “euphoric victory” over Falun Gong, I personally warned him that this campaign of terror he started would only backfire and bring disgrace to the Communist Party and everything Chinese. What I predicted has come to pass. The slaughter of innocent students in Tiananmen Square in 1989 can be likened to this Falun Gong issue, in that both were grave mistakes in judgment and in leadership. I strongly feel that these two catastrophes could and should have been avoided like the plague.

When Jiang gleefully and shamelessly boasted about how he had fooled the unsuspecting masses into believing that the “self-immolation” event was actually real, it helped confirm what I always knew about him; he was not to be trusted, either as a person or as a Communist Party leader. However, some skeptics, who were well aware of the deceptive nature of the Party's ways, simply chose to suspend their belief in Jiang's anti-Falun Gong campaign. They knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that the Chinese government-controlled media could never be relied on to tell the whole story, straight up.

When I saw the commentaries from experts in the West and in Europe, I knew that although Jiang had fooled the Chinese public, he certainly had not fooled the people of the rest of the world! There were numerous conflicting eyewitness reports and chilling discrepancies in the official coverage of the immolation event, making it blatantly obvious that the whole affair was simply rehearsed and completely staged. When the Chinese people only hear one side of the Falun Gong story, repeatedly, they will believe in time, what they are told. Thus, understandably so, the public's misconception of Falun Gong has grown exponentially.

Each lie Jiang tells is intricately connected to each lie he has told in the past and each new lie he will tell in the future. From a propagandist's perspective however, this is a double-edged sword. Why? In one way, it serves to create maximum confusion in the public's mind, thus making people vulnerable to being controlled and manipulated on a large scale. Yet, in another way, it makes Jiang himself very vulnerable. I'll explain; If you take a knitted sweater and pull hard on any one main loose strand, the whole sweater will come apart before your eyes, right? Well, it's the same thing with Jiang's web of lies surrounding Falun Gong. For example, within a few minutes of watching the slow-motion version of the "self-immolation" film—the one key lie that Jiang has absolutely no defense against—you will be able to unravel, minimum, three years of the Party's lies, in one fell swoop. What we are talking about here is completely neutralizing the effects of:

- 1) millions of anti-Falun Gong news articles and reports
- 2) hundreds of thousands of hours of fabricated TV documentaries slandering Falun Gong
- 3) tens of billions of yuan in propaganda campaigns to discredit Falun Gong
- 4) millions of anti-Falun Gong comic books
- 5) and literally hundreds of millions of man-hours to persecute Falun Gong.

Keep in mind that this is the exact same film that Jiang Zemin; Luo Gan (head of the National Committee of Politics and Law), and the National Security Bureau ordered to be broadcast on TV throughout China. However, this film wasn't meant to be so transparent. What do I mean? I mean this: All one needs to do is slow down the film and the whole event completely loses its ability to deceive. Once you view this film, you will automatically distrust anything the Chinese government has ever said or will ever say about Falun Gong, no matter how compelling their so-called "evidence" appears to be. The trickery that went into producing this amateur event will shock and disgust you beyond belief. It's guaranteed to leave you speechless! However, do not just take my word for it; you should see it with your own two eyes too.

Unfortunately, though, if you live here in China, Jiang has made very sure no one has easy access to this slowed-down version of the film. Why? Because it clearly and convincingly contradicts every slanderous thing he has been saying about Falun Gong all along. In fact, if the Chinese public could freely view this slowed-down version of the film, Jiang would lose any remaining support and respect he has forcefully garnered in China in less than the time it takes to prepare a pot of tea! Yes, this film is that powerful. Simply open up your Internet browser and type in: <http://www.faluninfo.net/tiananmen/immolation.asp>. After seeing this short video, you will see why millions of people from around the world have come to understand that this "self-immolation" incident was the hoax-of-hoaxes, from start to finish.

For example, why were no third-party interviews allowed to take place with these "so-called Falun Gong immolators" until a whole year later? However, the State-run media in China was permitted to interview them almost immediately after police put out the fires that engulfed them. Curious, isn't it? Why do I use the term, "so-called Falun Gong immolators"? It is because the individuals who "starred" in this fake drama were paid by the State to impersonate Falun Gong practitioners. This is not hearsay, this is a

fact—one I know first hand. However, after reading this chapter and seeing the slowed-down version of the film, I guarantee you'll come to this same conclusion on your own.

Ask yourself this: Have you ever seen practitioners wearing thick padded fire-resistant gloves, clothes, and facemasks to their practice sites to do their slow moving exercises? However, the individuals in this immolation drama, all five of them, were absolutely wearing this type of clothing. This is not a hypothetical statement I am making here; this was actually part of the agreement they had with the State. Simply put, these immolators agreed to light themselves on fire, after pouring gasoline all over their bodies, ONLY if:

- 1) they were handsomely compensated for their nefarious deeds
- 2) they were provided with highly protective fire-resistant clothing (gloves, facemasks, pants, and jackets, etc.)
- 3) the police firmly agreed beforehand to put out the flames in a rush

Could this be the very reason why the fabricators of this sham event, equipped two little police vans with approximately 25 pieces of fire-fighting equipment that fateful day? If the police weren't fully expecting to make use of this equipment, then why would they be carrying that many pieces around in just two vehicles? At most, the police would normally be carrying one, maybe two pieces in each van.

However, a real immolator is not hoping someone runs up to him with a fire extinguisher to put out the flames engulfing his burning body, right? In fact, this is exactly what he doesn't want to happen! Why? Because a real immolator is intent on killing himself in order to make some political point or to protest this or that government policy. He's not thinking about ways of surviving the ordeal, right? Thus, he just goes ahead and lights himself on fire. Donning fire-resistant clothes, gloves, and a full facemask doesn't ever enter his mind. Here's a news article about 17 Indian immolators who had very serious intentions of committing suicide—that's why they all succeeded:

17 Followers of Jayalalithaa Commit Suicide
Chennai |Reuters | 29-09-2001

Seventeen followers of controversial Indian politician Jayaram Jayalalithaa have torched themselves to death in protest at last week's court verdict which unseated her from power, party officials said yesterday.

“The death toll from self-immolations by grieving followers of our supreme leader over the past week has now gone up to 17, with three more people succumbing to their burn injuries in the last two days” a party spokesman said.

However, unlike real immolators, Jiang's hired actors only intended to make it look like they wanted to kill themselves when they lit themselves on fire. Meaning, from the start, they were planning to live through the ordeal, collect their ill-gotten rewards, and go home when everything finally calmed down. That was the plan. Furthermore, if you knew how

heavily guarded Tiananmen Square was that day, you would think it would have been the “miracle-of-miracles” for these immolators to have slipped past the numerous check points that were in place at that time. In addition, all security forces, everywhere around Beijing were on “high alert.” Why? Because the Chinese Lunar New Year’s Eve was just around the corner and the police were expecting Falun Gong practitioners to try to enter the Square in an attempt to appeal to the Government to let Falun Gong have the right to practice their beliefs.

Think about it... there were security agents, guards, police in plain street clothes, and regular uniformed policemen at numerous check points in and around the Square itself. There is no way that the five fake immolators, all clad in multiple layers of thick, rough looking, bulky clothes, all carrying bottles of gasoline on their person, could manage to slip past the guards. Even if everyone managed to avoid detection, they would not have had a chance to sit down on the ground, in a semi-crossed leg position, don their fire-resistant face-masks and gloves, pour gasoline all over their bodies and proceed to light themselves on fire without being noticed. The police guards were obviously instructed to allow these fake immolators to slip past. That was the plan.

In addition, contrary to what Jiang and his State-run media espouse, Falun Gong practitioners do not commit suicide or kill others. This is strictly forbidden in every one of Mr. Li’s publications without exception. I’ve made a thorough study of Mr. Li’s works and I have never come across anything even remotely suggesting suicide. He says exactly the opposite, and he says it loud and clear. Besides that, practitioners are good people and as good people they do not do bad things, like lighting themselves on fire and creating a stir!

When the Xinhua News Agency first released the story of the self-immolation of five Falun Gong practitioners, world media agencies initially reported the story verbatim. Nevertheless, the *Washington Post* investigated this story on its own and only days later began questioning whether some of the burn victims were really associated with Falun Gong at all. Actually, from the information the *Washington Post* gathered in China, they found no evidence whatsoever to support the Chinese media’s allegation that Ms. Liu Chunling was one of the so-called “Falun Gong immolators.” Moreover, not even her closest neighbors were able to recall seeing her practicing Falun Gong! Thus, other news agencies also began questioning the Xinhua report especially when the number of immolators was upped to seven from the initial five pictured in the first Xinhua news release.

Even though these two extra “mystery immolators” were supposedly stopped before igniting themselves, the addition of these two people proved to be another desperate attempt to create an even more powerfully negative impression in the public’s mind towards Falun Gong. However, the U.S.-based CNN camera crew, who was less than 15 meters away from the immolation scene, attested to the fact that they only saw five people, all of them being adults.

One of these “mystery immolators” named Liu Baorong, claimed she was about to light herself on fire but had second thoughts when she saw the others in the Square on fire. She also claimed, “I drank about half a bottle [of gasoline!], and wanted to pour the rest on my body.” However, as the narrator of the slowed-down version of the “self-immolation” film pointed out, “Drinking one tenth of an ounce of gasoline per pound of body weight will cause death. For her weight, half a bottle of gasoline would be enough to kill her.”

Of course, being true to form, the Chinese Central Television Station (CCTV)

declared to the world that this immolation film was produced by the CNN camera crew, thinking it would lend credibility to this fake performance. Therefore, if anyone called into question the validity or authenticity of the coverage of the event, CCTV could claim it was not produced by them at all, but by an internationally trusted and respected news agency, CNN. Thus, in an underhanded way, they made use of the respectability of CNN's name just for show, just for effect. You see, Jiang instinctively knew that the Chinese and the rest of the world do not totally trust the Party's State-run media. Thus, they would always remain somewhat suspicious of a film that the Party had their hand in producing from beginning to end. What may be hard to grasp here though, is that the fabricators of this drama gave such little attention to the fact that CNN would simply deny any involvement in producing a film they did not shoot. Yet, that was not enough to stop Jiang's media from foolishly claiming that CNN filmed this entire event, as if CNN had a reason to lie about this "small detail," and Jiang's media did not.

Think about it; if CNN shot this film, why would they say they did not? How would their denial of shooting this film directly benefit CNN? What personal or professional agendas of theirs would have been realized by lying? What value would doing such a thing hold for CNN? Isn't it true that filming a real live self-immolation is a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence for a news reporter? Consequently, why would CNN deny their involvement? What hidden motive could they possibly have had to forgo taking credit for the filming of such an important and controversial event?

... Eason Jordan, CNN's chief news executive, said a producer and cameraman witnessed the self-immolations because they were making a routine check of the Square for Falun Gong protests on the day before the Chinese New Year, which was marked by protests a year ago. He said the footage used in the Chinese television reports could not have come from CNN videotape because the CNN cameraman was arrested almost immediately after the incident began. (Dow Jones Publications Library)

The fact is, the fabricators of this drama-of-dramas knew that in China, they would never be called upon to provide any evidence of CNN's so-called "involvement," so they felt relatively comfortable saying CNN shot the film. Moreover, they came up with the tall tale that CNN was simply lying when they said they did not film this immolation event—without ever stating one logical reason why CNN might be lying or how lying directly benefited CNN. As you can see, even on the surface, Jiang's staging of this event was simply one long string of oversights.

However, the question remains: Why was CNN prevented from filming the incident in the first place? Why would the police arrest them and take their cameras away before they had a chance to film the event? Were the police instructed to do this because those who staged this event feared they would not have a chance to edit out the glaring inconsistencies in this staged performance—inconsistencies that would inevitably become apparent if the film were brought into CNN's own photo lab and watched frame by frame?

Then who is the man with the video camera wandering about Tiananmen Square in the slow-motion version of the film? Why wasn't he stopped? Why was he allowed to film the event but not CNN? The reason he wasn't stopped is because he was one of Jiang's own hired hands who did the filming, that's why. However, the reporting of this staged performance was so hastily thrown together that Jiang's hooligan gang overlooked editing

out the most telling of events—a police officer slamming a so-called “Falun Gong immolator” purported to be Ms. Liu Chunling, with a heavy object in the back of her head. She was knocked forward with such great force, that in all likelihood, it killed her instantly.

Of course, if you watch the film at regular speed, as it was broadcast on TV, you can not readily see her being struck from behind. However, when you slow the film down a bit... well, you have to see it for yourself; you will know what I mean instantly. Here is the website address to view the video online:

<http://www.faluninfo.net/tiananmen/immolation.asp>.

This fake immolator, Ms. Liu, was the only victim reported to have died at the scene. However, despite what the State-run media claimed, in my opinion, she did not die from the burns she received or from smoke inhalation, but rather, from the deadly blow to the back of her head, delivered by one of the police officers there. Think about it; if this was a REAL self-immolation taking place, weren't the police there supposed to help put out the fires engulfing the victims in order to save their lives? One would think so, right? Then how does an officer forcefully hitting an immolator in the back of the head constitute saving that person's life? Did taking such action actually help snuff out the flames engulfing that person? Alternatively, is it possible that the officer was simply trying to kill this immolator instead of rescuing her? Furthermore, this same officer did what he did in plain sight of those standing immediately around him, making no efforts whatsoever to hide his actions. Did anyone try to stop him or at least apprehend him after he committed this horrific act? Could it be that he was instructed to do this by his superiors and that those standing around him were also in on this staged performance?

Incidentally, this Ms. Liu victim was not supposed to have died that fateful day. She originally contracted to be financially compensated, among other things, for her participation, which the government authorities involved agreed to. Obviously, she did not agree to being killed. However, the original agreement she made with the authorities that staged this immolation event was overturned, unbeknownst to her and as a result, she was slated to die. Why? Because those involved in orchestrating this drama wanted to get maximum shock and horror value out of it. They wanted to stir up people's resentment towards Falun Gong in a very big way. Therefore, someone had to actually die.

Now let me add something here that you may find interesting. It has been reported that the medical personnel that were present at the hospital to receive the burn victims, confirmed that the ambulances arrived approximately two hours after this self-immolation incident was reported to have taken place! Do you think it is possible that the higher authorities directly involved in this immolation stunt were using these precious two hours to hastily cover their tracks and to plan for their next move? How does an 8-12 minute trip to the hospital turn into a two hour trip to the hospital? I don't think they were late in arriving because the ambulance drivers made a wrong turn and got lost, do you? Then what caused this unexplainable delay?

And as far as the whole hospital scene goes... let me tell you, it was a fully staged event from start to finish. Whatever people saw on their TV screen was all done for effect, all done to stir up public sentiment against Falun Gong. I'll explain...

For example, yes, it looks like one of the alleged, so-called “immolators,” a 12-year-old girl named Liu Siying, had her hands burned to a blackened crisp, but think about it; why was her whole body covered in bandages yet her hands were not? Why was that one part of her body left unattended? I ask you this: Did the hospital staff simply forget to bandage her hands, or was it intentional? Was the ghastly sight of her “burned” hands

meant to invoke sympathy for her and outrage towards Falun Gong? Of course, if you ask me, I am going to say yes, it was!

Could it be that what people saw on TV was a “special effects” kind of thing that you find in movie studio productions. The hands looked like they were burned to a crisp, but were they? The media did not miss a single opportunity to show her little “burned” hands clinging to her teddy bear. People were inflamed with anger and hatred towards Falun Gong every time they saw this scene. It was a very cruel, very intentional maneuver designed to play and prey upon each and every viewer's emotions.

Think for a moment; if it were you and your hands felt as bad as her hands looked, would you be apt to want to talk to anyone, let alone be interviewed on national TV? The fact is, a REAL burn victim would not want to do anything of the sort, especially after only four days of treatment. Why? Because when a person sustains such extensive burns, that person's body and mind are severely traumatized. They are usually experiencing overwhelming pain, grief, sadness, anger, and depression. They are not interested in “strolling in the park and picking daises.” Therefore, isn't the idea of being able to give a fully relaxed and lively interview mere days after having been severely burned on 40 percent of one's body an insult to one's sensibilities? If you ask me, it's ridiculous. But not as ridiculous as the fact that these immolators, according to the *Jingrong Times* (February 2, 2001), all required tracheotomies in order to live, yet were “miraculously” able to speak to reporters in a clear conversational tone just four days later—that is, after undergoing an operation on their tracheas! As absurd as this sounds, is the degree that it is! However, I am not done yet...

Not only was the 12-year-old girl able to give a full CCTV interview, but she also sang a song for the reporters, not in a whisper either, but in a clear and robust voice! Now let's review the situation together. This girl had allegedly sustained 4th degree burns on 40% of her body. She supposedly underwent extensive skin grafting—that is, she had skin surgically removed from one part of her body and grafted to another, which, I may add, is frighteningly painful. And she supposedly had a tracheotomy performed just days before her TV interview.

Don't you think she should have been in at least some kind of visible pain while being interviewed? However, she did not appear to be in any pain at all, none.

Some people may argue the point that she would have been administered potent pain medication to ameliorate the pain, thus she was in good shape for the interview. But I don't think so. If that were the case, her mental clarity would have been close to nil. Why? Because strong pain medication such as Morphine IV, not only affects the nerve receptors of the brain thereby lessening the pain that a burn victim feels, but they can also cause that person to slur his speech, muddle his thinking, and cause him to become tired and sleepy. Additionally, there is no magic remedy available for total pain management. The amount of medication that would eliminate all pain would also suppress the respiratory system to a very dangerous level.

Moreover, nearly every burn patient has trouble sleeping after a burn injury occurs. Itching, temperature regulation problems (you're too hot or too cold), anxiety and pain, can all cause sleep disturbances. So, giving a lively interview and singing a song to the TV audience still would have been out of the question, and this is putting it mildly.

In the following article a pediatric surgeon from the U.S. discusses the likelihood of someone speaking, much less giving a full TV interview or singing a song only days after undergoing a tracheotomy. He stated unequivocally that it would be “inconceivable” for this to occur. Here are his eye-opening insights:

A Message from a Pediatric Surgeon to the People's Daily Newspaper

- Do not make the lies used to slander Falun Gong too outrageous to believe-

“Siyang wanted to talk, but because the doctors had to cut open her trachea and insert a tracheal tube, she struggled to speak. However, her voice was clearly audible” (quoted from the article “Please Save Me - the Heartbreaking Ordeal of a 12-year-old Child,” which appeared on page 2 of the January 31st, 2001 edition of the People's Daily Newspaper).

I felt extremely sad after I finished reading this article. Because I used to be a pediatric surgeon, out of professional habits, I read through the article carefully, wanting to find out how gravely injured the poor little girl was. I started to feel worse and worse as I examined the account, because I could tell that the reporters from the Xinhua News Agency who wrote the articles were lying. I am not a Falun Gong practitioner; I just want the truth to come out. I do not appreciate being treated like a fool by the People's Daily Newspaper.

The goal of tracheotomy (...) is to maintain the function of a patient's airways. Usually doctors perform such an operation on a child only if some foreign objects have caused an obstruction of the upper airway. Siyang had such an operation most likely because of her burns, which affected the airway, and the edema of the airway, that caused breathing difficulties. Her injuries were extremely severe, which means that she would need continual intensive medical care even after the insertion of a tracheal tube.

The edematous airway would secrete a great amount of fluid, which would require constant suction by the nursing staff. There is no way that the patient would be able to clear it out on her own. The fact that Siyang was only 12 years old and also suffered from serious burns means that she would need even more medical attention than an adult patient would. Under these conditions, conducting an interview with her would not only be inhumane, but almost impossible.

In order to insert a tracheal tube, doctors will usually make an incision between the 3rd and 4th tracheal rings, which are located well below the vocal chords, so that the tracheal tube will be able to bypass the swollen larynx. After such an operation, it takes an otherwise healthy adult several days before he could get accustomed to breathing with a tracheal tube. In the first few days, it would be very difficult for the patient to make any sound at all.

In some cases, if the tracheal tube could bring a little air to the vocal

chord, then the patient might be able to cover the tube with a finger and try to speak (...). It is inconceivable that a 12-year-old child who had suffered from burns that required extensive skin grafting, and with a tracheal tube inserted to bypass her swollen larynx, could not only talk to the reporter but sing a song a mere four days after her injuries.

I'd like to offer a suggestion to the staff of the People's Daily Newspaper. In the future, if you want to make up lies that require specific knowledge in professional fields, please ask the experts to review your writing before publishing it.

This way, people won't be able to tell that the official mouthpiece of such a big country is lying, which will undoubtedly damage the image and reputation of the entire country.

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However, the comedy of errors in this fake immolation film do not stop here—not even close. Actually, it gets even more ridiculous! For example, it was reported that Wang Jingdong, one of the so-called “Falun Gong immolators,” had suffered severe burns all over his body. Was this the truth? Did this really take place? Let's examine it together...

1) Wang Jingdong is wearing a fire protective facemask as well as very thick and bulky fire-resistant clothes.

Think about it; wasn't he interested in protecting himself from being burned? Is this what true immolators have on their mind while they're sacrificing their life on such a serious occasion? Yet, from the looks of Wang, this immolation event appeared to be a joke—not a serious giving of one's life for a noble cause.

2) The hair on his head was not burned in the least.

How is it possible that Wang sustained “very serious burns” all over his body—as the State-run Xinhua News Agency reported—when he was fully dressed in layers upon layers of fire-resistant clothing? Moreover, how did Wang sustain “very serious burns” all over his body without damaging his hair at all? In fact, his hair was completely exposed in the many close-up shots of him. It was not even partially covered up! In reality, wouldn't he have been hairless within seconds of lighting himself on fire? His exposed hair would have ignited just like dry straw—which it apparently did not. Why didn't it?

3) He was holding a plastic bottle containing gasoline between his legs.

Think about it; why would this bottle filled with gasoline appear as if Wang just bought it

off a store shelf? It looked brand new. Yet, Wang was supposedly engulfed in flames, right? At least that's what the Xinhua News Agency reported. However, as everyone knows, when gasoline burns it produces an extremely intense radiating heat. Then why wasn't this bottle even slightly melted?

Could the presence of the bottle have been placed there as one would place a prop in a play? Was it put there to authenticate and substantiate the fact that what was taking place was indeed a “real live self-immolation event”?

4) Wang appears to be relatively relaxed and calm.

One would think that Wang would have been wriggling, twisting, and turning in searing pain after being supposedly engulfed in flames, right? Then why is he able to sit there calmly as if nothing much is going on? There he is; legs half crossed, not expressing even the slightest degree of discomfort or pain. Not only does this sound very suspicious, it is very suspicious!

5) There's a police officer standing over Wang, poised to place a fire-blanket on him.

From the looks of it, the police officer appears to be waiting for the right cue from the cameraman (or Wang) before he drops the dangling blanket over Wang Jingdong's body. However, there is no fire and no smoke present, not a wisp of it, therefore no reason for a fire blanket, right?

6) He is yelling something to show the cameraman filming this sham event that he holds “Falun Gong beliefs.”

What did this fake immolator say? He said, “The law of the Universe is the Great Law that everyone must experience.”

However, what he was yelling has absolutely nothing to do with the teachings of Falun Gong! It was almost as if he had memorized the wrong script to the wrong play! This fool of a man tried to make it look like Falun Gong teaches that suicide is actually something desirable and longed for, something that would bring a person instant enlightenment, consummation, or some other “ultimate” state of being.

But think about it; if suicide was such an important part of the Falun Gong practice, then why isn't the issue of “committing suicide in order to reach some desirable state” ever discussed in any of Falun Gong's teachings? One would think this issue would be at the core of Mr. Li's teaching, right? Quite to the contrary, Falun Gong teaches that only when a person truly cultivates his heart and mind nature and raises himself upwards can he achieve enlightenment, the Tao, or completion. One would discover this simple truth on one's own just by reading a few pages of *Zhuan Falun*.

Furthermore, practitioners know enlightenment is obtained by arduous cultivation—while one is alive! It cannot be reached by torching oneself to death. All practitioners are aware of this ridiculously elementary and terribly obvious point. If Wang was a real veteran practitioner, as he made himself out to be, don't you think he would have known this too? Thus, Wang was simply and plainly a Falun Gong impostor... and a rather

pathetic one at that too!

Really, there are only two possibilities available here: Either Wang set himself on fire or he did not, right? If he *did* set himself on fire, then:

- 1) Why is the hair on his head not affected by the intense heat that gasoline produces?
- 2) Why is the plastic bottle of gasoline not melted at all?
- 3) Why is he calmly sitting there after being supposedly engulfed in scorching flames?
- 4) Why is he not wriggling on the ground from the searing pain, screaming in anguish?
- 5) Why is he wearing fire-proof clothing?

If he *did not* set himself on fire, then:

- 1) Why did the Xinhua News Agency claim he sustained “very serious burns” all over his body?
- 2) Why did Wang require a tracheotomy?
- 3) Why did a hospital spokesman report that they performed a tracheotomy on him?
- 4) Why was a police officer draping a fire blanket over Wang if he did not need it?
- 5) Why was Wang sitting there trying to impersonate a Falun Gong practitioner trying to kill himself?

As the saying goes, “if it looks like a snake, crawls like a snake, and hisses like a snake, it is probably a snake!” In this case, it means that since this whole immolation event is wrought with hundreds of blatant inconsistencies, discrepancies, unexplainable contradictions, and of course, lies, what you are being asked to believe, is indeed *not* believable! Why is it not believable? Because nothing adds up—nothing fits together as a whole—as the media says it does. What fits together is exactly the opposite of what they want you to believe. And what is that? It's the fact that this whole event was clearly and plainly staged to destroy the reputation of Falun Gong and the man behind it was none other than Jiang Zemin, the President of China.

It's amazing that this whole self-immolation incident was so poorly put together, yes, but what is even more amazing to me is the fact that millions upon millions of Chinese actually believed what Jiang and his State-run media were saying instead of what Falun Gong was saying! That's really the embarrassing part.

Sometime after the excitement of this incident died down, I paid a visit to some of the medical personnel present at Jishuitan Hospital at that time. Knowing my position in the government, they assumed I was also one of the “key players” behind the masterminding of this hoax-of-hoaxes... which of course, I was not. However, as we were talking in general about the incident, I got the distinct feeling there was a part of them that genuinely regretted being involved in this whole drama. Then why did they willingly decide to play a role in this fabricated event? It's because they felt they were expected to; because they

felt they were acting like “good citizens,” and because they felt compelled to remain loyal to the Party's sentiments—even though deep down inside they didn't enjoy being put into this awkward position. I, on the other hand, saw them as victims of Jiang's personal war on Falun Gong. I actually felt sorry for them, in a way.

Could it be that the Chinese government refused to allow the Western media to investigate this immolation incident because they were afraid that the above obvious glaring discrepancies, among many, many others, would have been impossible to cover up? Is it possible that they were afraid that their pathetic amateur performance would have been exposed for what it was—a government conspiracy of epic proportions?

I am sure it's starting to become very clear just how flimsy Jiang's web of lies really is. He too is very aware of this fact, however, there is nothing he can do about it. Oh sure, he can come up with increasingly preposterous claims of Falun Gong practitioners going on killing sprees, chopping their relatives up with sharp axes, etc. However, the only problem with that is the fact that this sort of thing only works in China. Outside of China news like this is a joke to people. They actually get a big laugh out of it.

So where does this leave Jiang now? Well, he can't say the slow-motion version of the immolation film that he claimed CNN took is a fake, because that is the very version he wanted the world to think was undeniably real. He cannot say someone tampered with the film in some way because the media had already aired it on TV countless times and should have discovered these blatant inconsistencies, which apparently they did not. He cannot say it is anything but what it is—an amateur piece of fabricated propaganda designed to demonize Falun Gong in the eyes of the world. If Jiang admitted that, it would be the first true thing he ever said related to Falun Gong.

The “CNN Murder Charges” Hoax

The Party purposely moved the attention away from their own people (the police on the scene, the cameraman filming the event, the officer who struck one of the immolators in the back of the head, etc.) by accusing CNN of actually planning the whole immolation incident!

You see, if the Party could get people to associate CNN with organizing and carrying out this immolation event, then accordingly, they could hold CNN responsible for everything that took place that day, including the death of one of the immolators. Thus, the likelihood of a trail leading back to the Party, (which it definitely did), would not be as apparent.

Somehow CNN's mere presence on the Square during this immolation event constituted their “involvement” in masterminding the entire immolation incident. Isn't that funny?! However, the fact that an officer of the law hit an immolator in the back of her head with a heavy object somehow did not constitute that officer's involvement in this event, nor his involvement in the probable death of that immolator. And what about those standing around this officer? They did nothing to stop him from doing what he did in plain sight of everyone around him, nor did they apprehend him afterwards. Aren't they just as involved in this event and just as guilty as that officer?

However, the mere fact that the CNN crew was strolling around the Square when this immolation took place, “somehow” carries more weight than what these officers conspired to do to one of the immolators there. Here's the article accusing CNN of masterminding the immolation hoax:

By Philip P. Pan
Washington Post Foreign Service
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(BEIJING, Feb. 8) Chinese police may seek homicide charges against CNN journalists and other foreign reporters who they allege knew in advance that five members of the banned Falun Gong spiritual group were going to set themselves on fire in Tiananmen Square last month, according to an article published in two state-run newspapers. The article in the *Yangcheng Evening News* and the *Southern Daily* said police will consider charging the reporters with “abetting and assisting other people in committing suicide” if they can prove they were involved in planning the Jan. 23 incident, which left one woman dead and four more people hospitalized in critical condition, including a 12-year-old girl. [...]

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Even though Jiang keeps the masses sedated with his anti-Falun Gong propaganda, I still feel that the Chinese people are slowly waking up, one person at a time. Yes, it's true that no official in China is ready to publicly speak out on Falun Gong's behalf, but that does not prevent me from daring to do so in this book. I am the kind of person who, if you tell me something can not be done, I will wind up proving you wrong.

At this point in China, and on the immediate surface, Jiang appears to be winning the battle against Falun Gong, however, that is only in the eyes of those who pay unwarranted attention to appearances. Although the Party will not admit it, slightly beneath the surface is the grim reality that their unmitigated attack on Falun Gong may well be the very factor contributing to the untimely demise of the Party's established rule. As the truth behind this persecution becomes more widely known, many more people will be asking themselves, “Since the government staged this immolation event as they did, what else have they been doing all along that we do not know of? What other political campaigns have we been fooled into going along with?” When millions upon millions of people start asking themselves such probing questions as these, the Party's absolute reign will surely falter.

The “Mental Hospital” Hoax

Jiang claims that one-fifth of all patients in mental hospitals are Falun Gong practitioners. What's the reality behind this alarming claim? The sad truth is that the police intentionally commit perfectly healthy practitioners to psychiatric hospitals by forcing them into police vehicles and driving them to prison-like hospitals.

Against their own conscience and against all medical protocols, the doctors and nurses who work in these hospitals, forcibly inject very potent and dangerous drugs into the practitioners' veins just because they won't renounce their belief in Falun Gong. Their intention is to inflict permanent damage to the practitioner's central nervous system. What these so-called “professionals” do to their fellow human beings is truly contemptible. Because of the effects of these drugs, the “patients” become half paralyzed, drool constantly, and cannot eat. This barbaric “medical treatment” makes it virtually

impossible for the practitioners to walk, talk, or even remember who they are. When they are in this awful condition, the staff forcefully straps each “patient” to their bed to “protect” them from injuring themselves. After the drugs wear off somewhat, these practitioners are asked once again to renounce their faith in Falun Gong. If they still refuse, the dosage of the administered drugs is substantially increased. This pattern is repeated again and again, often causing severe, untold bodily pain to these practitioners. Consequently, many have died from this cruel treatment.

As you probably already know, slander has been used throughout history to demonize the image, damage the credibility, and misrepresent the motives of those out of favor with the power-elite. The USSR refined this age-old tactic by simply declaring “insane” those whom the Party leaders wanted to silence. Jiang has now improved, expanded, and updated the Soviets' inhumane abuse of psychiatry to a new level. He knows there are few things more hideous than what these so-called hospitals do to these perfectly healthy practitioners. The message that this form of terror sends to the public is not subtle at all. It reminds the people that if they don't enthusiastically take part in Jiang's persecution of Falun Gong, then perhaps they too will end up in one of these hospitals.

The mental stability of the practitioners lucky enough to walk out of these hospitals alive will always remain suspect, causing them untold social hardships in the future. Why? Because their personal records will reflect the fact that they were “committed” at one time to a mental hospital because of severe mental illness. Jiang decided to mete out this punishment to those who do not obey the anti-Falun Gong “laws” he illegally put into effect.

The more practitioners Jiang forces into these hospitals, the more the public believes Jiang's propaganda that, “Practicing Falun Gong causes insanity.” A public that believes Falun Gong causes insanity can be conveniently made to believe further slander. Thus, the public is conned into believing Jiang's propaganda about practitioners committing suicide—that is, as a direct result of practicing Falun Gong and going “insane.” This allows Jiang's villainous police to whitewash the bulk of practitioners' deaths as “self-inflicted.” So, if a practitioner dies from excessive torture, the police have the body cremated and announce the death as “suicide.” How convenient!

According to Jiang, if a person insists on practicing Falun Gong after Jiang declared it illegal, that person should accept the consequences of his actions, or in other words, that person should be willing to “pay the price” for his obstinacy. This idea of “paying the price” has particularly special meaning for a practitioner being released from one of these so-called hospitals. Why? Well, instead of just leaving when the State is done torturing them, these hospitals actually have the audacity to present the family with a huge bill for the “treatment” the practitioner received at their hands, with charges so high, the family often goes bankrupt trying to pay it. If these charges are not paid in full, the practitioner is not allowed to leave from where he is. And just so you know, any medical staff member refusing to participate in the torture of practitioners, is instantly fired, just like that. Jiang coerces everyone, at every level, to assist him in persecuting Falun Gong.

The lies the hospital creates to cover up its deeds are used to give birth to more lies and those lies to still others, until the truth of the hospital staff's involvement is buried deep in obscurity.

The “TV Documentary” Hoax

To take a recorded speech and alter its original or intended meaning is actually quite simple to do. All one has to know is some basic tape-splicing and editing techniques and the contents of any original speech can be severely altered. When correctly done, it could even make a saint look like a criminal! It is one of the most simple, yet effective propaganda techniques used against Mr. Li.

Although the government's TV documentaries on Falun Gong are just worthless pieces of news trash, if they were shown to you several times a week for several months or years, what kind of opinion do you think you would have of Mr. Li and Falun Gong? Moreover, if these documentaries showed Mr. Li saying horrible things, in his own true voice, would you not at least begin to suspect him and his practitioners of some of the things the media has accused them of? Would you listen if a practitioner tried to explain to you that these TV documentaries were:

- 1) actually fabricated to slander Falun Gong
- 2) that they were spliced and edited so as to misrepresent and distort Mr. Li's original meaning
- 3) that his words were taken completely out of context

However, anyone with ready access to Mr. Li's book, *Zhuan Falun* (or to the lectures videotaped in China in the early 90s), can quickly verify that the “quotes” offered in the falsified TV documentaries don't have a sliver of truth to them. Mr. Li's words are taken completely out of context and their meaning is grossly misrepresented to demonize him in the public's eye.

And to add insult to injury, Jiang further duped the Chinese public by completely fabricating and passing around what he refers to as “Li Hongzhi's written works,” saying Mr. Li said such and such awful thing, which of course, is not true. It was Jiang's hired hands who wrote these fictitious books and slapped Mr. Li's name on it as the author. As you can imagine, the words in these books make Mr. Li out to be a dangerous, superstitious fanatic. Again, Jiang's only purpose in doing this, of course, is to incite hatred towards Falun Gong. Just think, where else, except in China, can a government get away with such deceitful practices?

The “One Million Signatures” Hoax

Jiang ordered his henchmen to go out and collect a list of one million signatures of people who were 100% supportive of his anti-Falun Gong campaign. He didn't bother to mention that his government made it quite clear that anyone who refused to sign this list must undoubtedly be a Falun Gong supporter and would thus be treated accordingly. It is either, “Sign this petition... or go to prison!” Not much choice here I'd say. As you can imagine, most people signed without too much prodding.

Then, when this signature collection scheme was over, Jiang took the list and proudly held it up to the world saying, “See, the people of China condemn Falun Gong too!” Most of the things Jiang does to deceive the public would be comical if they were not so utterly sad.

The “Everyday People” Hoax

Mr. Li says that practitioners “... should not confuse themselves with everyday people.” Therefore, Jiang accuses practitioners of thinking they are better than the rest of society. He then spreads this propaganda far and wide, playing right into the Chinese people's fiercely jealous nature, which of course, does not take kindly to individualism.

Even in an unequal society, the average Chinese still feels that everyone must be made to feel equal and no one should try to stand out and consider themselves better or above the rest. Therefore, they took great offence when Jiang told them that practitioners think they are superior to the common-man. The typical Chinese mindset goes something like this, “If a practitioner doesn't consider himself to be an 'everyday person,' then he must consider himself to be superior to 'everyday people,' or at least better than those around him. However, this obviously isn't true because all Chinese are basically equal!” You see, in China, from a very young age people are trained to accept this line of reasoning without question. This is a very destructive notion that we Chinese carry around with us. It makes us too jealous for our own good.

Obviously, Mr. Li doesn't mean that practitioners should regard themselves as superior to others around them. Rather, Mr. Li means that practitioners should strive for something beyond what everyday people strive for. So, what exactly is an “everyday person” according to the teachings of Falun Gong? An everyday person is one who places great emphasis on such things as self-interest, fame, personal gain, personal desires, appearances, self-importance, sexual gratification, showing-off, competition, profit, vanity, power, prestige, being accepted by others, pleasure, comfort, sentiments, affection, looking for someone to love and for someone to love them in return, acquiring wealth, the allure and “glitter” of professional titles, and self-aggrandizement—to name just a few.

Isn't Mr. Li right? Isn't this generally what most people strive for from the moment they wake up, to the moment they go to bed? Practitioners are just the opposite. They give up these ordinary human pursuits or “attachments,” in order to cultivate their mind and heart nature (xinxing) and elevate their realm of thinking. They are fully aware of the fact that there is something greater than the momentary pleasures of reaching the goals that everyday people busy themselves with, day-in and day-out.

In fact, even if an everyday person were to reach or exceed all of his ultimate lifetime goals, he would still wind up feeling exhausted and empty in the end. In contrast, practitioners strive to harmonize their lives with what they call “the Fa” or the Great Law. They don't exhaust themselves pursuing everyday people's goals and aspirations. Rather, they constantly and intentionally raise themselves upwards, giving up what everyday people can not give up. Why does a practitioner want to give up the things that everyday people strive for? Because it is only by giving up these things that a practitioner can let go of the heart of an everyday person. It is this very heart which causes humankind all of its misery and suffering.

What does a practitioner attain when he gives up what an everyday person is attached to? He attains truth, peace, optimum health, the right view on all matters; an end to all of his confusion, and enlightenment. Thus, in my opinion, he fulfills his purpose of human existence. Can it therefore be said that a practitioner is an everyday person or, for that matter, that an everyday person is a practitioner? I don't think so. Therefore, when Mr. Li said that practitioners “...should not confuse themselves with everyday people,” isn't what he said true?

Mr. Li also mentions something to the effect that it is easier to be an everyday person

than it is to change one's basic human nature, one's very mind and heart and to strive to be kind, good, compassionate, and truthful. It is very difficult, actually supernatural, not to take things personally, not to get angry, not to be filled up with self-importance, not to get wrapped up into showing-off, not to have self-interest, and to take all hardships lightly, etc.

The “Anti-Society” and “Anti-Social” Hoax

Jiang wants the Chinese to believe that just because practitioners enjoy spending time with each other, this somehow makes them, in effect, “anti-society” and “anti-social.” The absurdity of this line of thinking can be clearly seen by comparing practitioners to university students. Let's say a university student prefers spending more time around his classmates than around others, for whatever reason he chooses. Would this make the student “anti-society” or “anti-social”? The question answers itself, doesn't it?

Practitioners still attend school, go to work, and are very much a part of the fabric of society. However, by making these ridiculous and baseless claims, Jiang turns a non-issue into an issue, thus forcing practitioners to defend themselves against yet another false accusation.

The “Anti-Government” Hoax

Jiang claims that, “Li Hongzhi advocates government itself is not necessary if one practices his teachings” and there will be “no need for laws or the police.” Thus, Falun Gong is portrayed as “anti-government.”

Lao Tzu, the famous author of the *Tao Teh Ching*, written over 2,000 years ago, said something to the effect that when one governs oneself, there is no need for external law. Mr. Li makes a similar statement in Lecture #9 in his book, *Zhuan Falun*:

We have also said that if every one of us cultivates his inner self, examines his own xinxing [mind and heart nature] to look for the causes of wrongdoing so as to do better next time, and considers others first when taking any action, human society would become better and ethical standards would again rise. The spiritual civilization would also become better, and so would public security. Perhaps there would not be any police. No one would need to be governed, as everyone would discipline him or herself and search their inner self. You know that laws are becoming more comprehensive and impeccable. Yet why are there people who still do bad deeds? Why don't they comply with the laws? It is because you cannot govern their hearts. When they are not seen, they will still do bad deeds. If everyone cultivates the inner self, it will be totally different. There will be no need for you to ensure justice.

What a blessing it would be for a nation if the masses strove to govern themselves in this way! Is inspiring people to seek to govern themselves according to a higher standard or law the same as being “anti-government”? Of course not!

But Jiang's strategy is to throw out as many false accusations as he can, as often as he can, in order to befuddle the minds of the Chinese people and for that matter, the rest

of the world. Practitioners are overwhelmed with the number of false charges they're forced to refute on a daily basis. In addition, equally overwhelmed, are the Chinese people who unwittingly believe the lies Jiang spreads about Falun Gong.

The Zhong Gong Hoax

You'll now be able to see a parallel case between what Jiang did to Falun Gong and what he did to the qigong meditation group called Zhong Gong. His planned campaign against this peaceful and industrious group, in my opinion, was a most shameful and ruthless act.

The Hong Kong Information Center for Human Rights and Democracy reported extensively on Jiang's attack on this group, which he actively started suppressing in July 1999. Zhong Gong claimed over 38 million members and operated a total of approximately 3,000 legitimate business enterprises nationwide. Jiang closed down every one of these businesses, along with over 1,000 Zhong Gong group meditation centers... that's right, *meditation centers*.

He then stole over 45 million yuan in profits the group had legally earned in more than 10 years of hard work. Not only that, but Jiang closed down a main employer of the group's members, thereby effectively putting over four hundred thousand people out of work. In addition, over 600 people in charge of the Zhong Gong organization were arrested nation-wide.

The two main reasons Jiang felt compelled to dismantle this group was the fact that:

- 1) The entire Communist Party had less than 60 million members or only a mere 20 or so million more than the Zhong Gong group. These figures alone seemed very threatening to Jiang.
- 2) This group had financial backing and a deep sense of community, which means that the members of Zhong Gong were loyal to Zhong Gong *first*, then to the State, instead of the other way around. This was totally unacceptable to Jiang because all of this represented a major threat to his power and thus he felt compelled to viciously attack the group.

To legitimately initiate his crackdown on the group, Jiang had a story fabricated about Zhong Gong's founder, Zhang Hongbao, having illegal sex with his followers. However, people familiar with China's various methods of attack on spiritual groups, will immediately recognize this as the standard ploy used to slander and defame religious leaders in China. This false charge then paved the way for labeling the group an "evil cult." Of course, Jiang did not permit the accused to challenge the charges levied against him. Instead, the group's books were confiscated and further publications of the books were banned, just as with Falun Gong.

Unlike Zhong Gong, though, Falun Gong could never be accused of competing commercially with the Communist Party. However, with the large numbers of practitioners Li Hongzhi had attracted, Falun Gong unavoidably competed with the Party for the hearts of the nation, giving China a choice between goodness and corruption. This type of competition was unforgivable and could not be allowed under any circumstances. Falun Gong had to be done away with.

The “Deaths from Not Taking Medicine” Hoax

Just like the lies Jiang spread about Zhong Gong, the lies about Falun Gong are also too easy to refute. Take, for example, his claim of deaths from Falun Gong practitioners not taking medicine. In the first seven years of Falun Gong's existence, the government didn't report a single death or injury from the practice of Falun Gong. However, once the government decided to seriously launch its anti-Falun Gong campaign in July of '99, the Public Security Bureau suddenly reported that the Falun Gong practice had killed 700 people! Then, just a few weeks after July 22, the number of deaths was doubled, curiously, to just over 1,400. Where on earth did all of these deaths come from?

Of course, they offered no evidence to back up these ridiculous claims of theirs—but so what! The Public Security Bureau is not required to provide evidence to substantiate any claim they make... about anything. They make up what they want and call that “the truth.” Isn't that astounding? Moreover, the Chinese Ministry of Public Security issued an arrest warrant for Mr. Li, blaming him for the deaths of 743 followers. However, according to *Washington Post* reporter, Michael Laris, “[China]... provided no evidence linking Li to any of the alleged deaths.”

The Party reserves the implicit right to make up any figures they want to, as long as it serves their needs and further promotes their political agendas. Thus, truth is an inconsequential detail to them, as you can see.

Think about it; if the government really had a database filled with practitioners dying by the truck load because they didn't take medicine when ill (or rather, because they were supposedly “forbidden” to take it), then why wait until 700 people die before alerting the public to the so-called “evils of Falun Gong,” right? Furthermore, before all this was going on, why did millions of non-Falun Gong Party members extol the virtues of Falun Gong and then suddenly denounce it? How could something so good, become so bad, so quickly, unless those who adamantly opposed Falun Gong planned it this way?

Actually, Mr. Li does not forbid his practitioners from taking traditional or non-traditional medicine to cure their illnesses. His system of cultivation practice does not work this way at all. That is, if a person practices Falun Gong wholeheartedly, with unbending intent, he will not have any illnesses whatsoever. Furthermore, these people will find that they do not need to rely on any medications at all to be in a state of optimum health. This has been shown to be true in countless cases, over numerous years. In lecture four of Mr. Li's *Nine Day Lecture Series*, he talks about this issue quite clearly, “Of course, I am not saying that you definitely should not go to the hospital. If you are not a practitioner, if you cannot live up to it, you should go the hospital without delay, before it is too late. If one is a true practitioner, he has no illness.”

This brings up the question: What does Mr. Li mean in the above paragraph when he says, “... if you cannot live up to it, you should go the hospital without delay...”? In *Zhuan Falun*, Mr. Li's main book, he talks about Falun Gong as being a supernormal practice, requiring one to live up to a supernormal standard of conduct and moral character. He further says something to the effect that if one meets this supernormal standard, then his body will be purified and even the most complicated diseases will disappear. If one is unable to meet this standard, then he is an everyday person and should take medicine when he is ill. Therefore, as I understand it, to meet this supernormal standard, a practitioner should be willing to do at least three things:

- Give up the heart of an everyday person by letting go of human attachments and desires that most people find difficult to let go of.
- Earnestly study the Great Law as taught by Li Hongzhi and use the characteristics or qualities of the Universe as his guide in cultivation practice.
- Practice the five gentle exercises to purify and transform his body.

Of course, according to Falun Gong, cultivation practice is totally beyond the capability of an everyday person who is always clamoring to fulfill his human desires for this or that, contending for a better position in society; seeking after fame and gain, or getting caught up in the ordinary human emotions of jealousy, greed, anger, self-interest, and the like.

Unlike other cultivation systems, Falun Gong aims directly at changing a person's human heart, so he is intrinsically different from his core, thus his body will be purified. This fundamental change can not take place in a person by merely practicing the five simple Falun Gong exercises alone. Even if a person practiced 12 hours a day, he would get very little benefit in the end. Why? Because if a man does not conduct himself according to Falun Gong's high moral standards, that is, if he refuses to change his human mind and heart nature and refuses to put restraints on his thoughts, emotions, and actions, then he is an everyday person after all, and not a practitioner.

As Mr. Li says in "Lecture Three" of *Zhuan Falun*, "There are some students who do not act based on xinxing [mind and heart nature] requirements. They only practice the movements without cultivating their xinxing. They cannot be counted as practitioners." Thus, these same students should expect to get ill when the time to get ill arrives in their lives. Under these circumstances, as I see it, they should not blame Falun Gong for their inability to get rid of their illnesses or diseases. This is how it is.

The "Secret Agents" Hoax

As I mentioned before, Jiang's administration was clearly divided on this Falun Gong issue. Therefore, to unify the voice of the Party, he falsely accused Mr. Li of planting Falun Gong "secret agents" in the Security Bureau to learn State secrets. Jiang spread this lie in an effort to establish Falun Gong as a "subversive" group whose interest and intent was to "overthrow" the entire Chinese government itself. But of course, this claim of his was ludicrous—a simple propaganda stunt.

A few of the many other ludicrous claims made against Mr. Li are as follows:

- Li Hongzhi is trying to make Falun Gong the ruling ideology in China in order to allow him to "seize power" and "overrun the government and the law."
- He is a "member of the CIA."
- He "... turns Communist officials into cult members in order to learn State secrets."
- Mr. Li claims he should be the leader of China, because "...social problems have been emerging that no government can solve."
- Mr. Li claims the government is "useless."
- He encourages practitioners of Falun Gong to "...take their own lives in a quest for spiritual perfection."

- He has forced his followers to sign a “life-and-death contract,” stating that they must “... obey all his instructions and depend on him for everything.”
- He “forbids” practitioners of Falun Gong to read books other than his, or learn other philosophies to prevent them from having “...the ability to choose between right and wrong.”
- Mr. Li “...borrows Buddhist doctrines to deify himself.”
- He “...forbids practitioners to follow or practice modern science.”
- He is “...spreading superstition and malicious fallacies to deceive people, resulting in the deaths of many practitioners...”
- He is a leader of a “cult” that is “notorious for its habit of seeking death,” encouraging his believers to “leave the dustbin-like world” by killing themselves by “hanging,” “jumping from precipices,” “lying on rail road tracks waiting for the train to run them over,” “cutting their arteries,” or “taking poison.”

Most of the “quotes” above came from slanderous articles posted on the Chinese Embassy website: <http://www.china-embassy.org> and from Mr. Liu Jin, while he was attending a press conference sponsored by the Information Office of the State Council. Mr. Jin is a member of the State Council Office for the Prevention and Handling of Cults and is, in my opinion, just another spineless Party official who will say anything he is told to say against Falun Gong.

The technique used here by Jiang's cohorts, is to throw out groundless accusations left and right with reckless abandonment. This is done with the full knowledge that the Chinese public will never challenge the Party to provide any verification or source for any of the claims it makes—which, if you think about it, provides the Party with untold liberties.

You never hear even one of Jiang's media puppets giving a precise citation from *Zhuan Falun*, or for that matter, from any of Li Hongzhi's other books. Why? It's because they don't bother to quote Mr. Li at all. Instead, they simply make up whatever words they want and then say he said those things. To them, this is “quoting Li Hongzhi”!

Think about it; everything the State-run media says about Falun Gong is false. Yet, based solely on the strength of the media's influence in Chinese society, they continue telling these absurd lies about Falun Gong, without pause. So much effort and resources have gone into maintaining the Party's across-the-globe anti-Falun Gong campaign. However, despite all their tireless efforts, not one country in the world has been hoodwinked into supporting the Party's anti-Falun Gong crusade.

Really, if Falun Gong was so glaringly “evil” as the Party says it is, then why doesn't the rest of the world notice it? Remember, Falun Gong was first introduced to the public way back in the early 90s. Don't you think this is enough time for the leaders of the world to figure out if something is evil or righteous? However, the thing these leaders *did* figure out over the course of approximately 13 years is this: Jiang Zemin is the one main force behind this illegal persecution; China is a “land of anti-human rights;” the so-called “self-immolation” incident in Tiananmen Square was a hoax; Mr. Li Hongzhi is innocent, and Falun Gong practitioners have been falsely slandered, unjustifiably imprisoned, and brutally tortured. This they know, and they know it well.

Do you know what the amusing thing here is? Despite the fact that the Party's anti-Falun Gong propaganda is so obvious to the world, so transparent, the Chinese

government still acts surprised and indignant when the rest of the world does not follow its lead in condemning Falun Gong. I would say the Party is run by comedians, making fools of themselves every time they attempt to slander Falun Gong.

The Party tries desperately to conceal its diabolical conspiracy to destroy Falun Gong. However, in contrast, Mr. Li's writings are freely distributed over the Internet and in book stores and have been translated into many languages, including English, Spanish, German, French, Tibetan, Korean, Vietnamese, Dutch, Swedish, Japanese, and Russian. At the time of this writing, Falun Gong has spread to over 50 countries worldwide. As you can see, Mr. Li is certainly not hiding anything from anyone, as his teachings are out there for everyone to see the world-over. Anyone can easily compare what the Party says Mr. Li said and what Mr. Li *actually* said.

Since Jiang can not control the point of view of a populace outside of China that knows about the truth of this Falun Gong persecution taking place inside of China, Jiang has no way to hoodwink these people into believing Falun Gong is "evil." And that's exactly why his anti-Falun Gong campaign has failed so miserably throughout the world. Only in China is it still going "strong," and this is only because Jiang controls almost everything the public reads, listens to on the radio, and watches on TV. By having a captive audience such as this, Jiang has successfully controlled the minds of a nation.

One last note here. In a previous e-book version of my book I offered a 1,000,000 USD reward to anyone who can show me where Mr. Li said even one of the countless things the Chinese Government is accusing him of saying, that is, using Mr. Li's original writings as found on Falun Gong websites as *the* point of reference. Guess what happened? No one took me up on the offer, not one person. We even emailed the e-book version of *Poisonous Deceit*, which contained my original \$1,000,000.00 offer, to all the Chinese Embassies throughout the world but we never heard a peep out of them. Why? Because they too know that what I'm saying is true, and they are oh so very embarrassed to admit it. But, in reality, they've already admitted it! How? By their abject silence. And I think if I had a billion dollars and made the same offer, the response would be exactly the same. Why? Because it would be easier for a person to spin yarn from a slab of granite than to find one legitimate reference backing up China's claims against Li Hongzhi. It's that straightforward.

The "Fire-suicide" Hoax

It seems like there is a direct correlation between the degree of desperation Jiang feels in his war against Falun Gong and the outlandish propaganda he allows to be printed about this peaceful group. Consider how Hai Tao, of the *Voice of America*, reported that Chinese authorities admitted to a total fabrication in their propaganda against Falun Gong:

Since the Chinese government started to crack down on Falun Gong in July 1999, all state-run media agencies have started to attack Falun Gong, its founder, and its key members. On November 28, a special report authored by Li Xin-gang was published in the newspaper *Xi-an Worker*.

The article "reported" that Zhi-wen Zhang, who was a lady living in the Wei-nan region of Shanxi Province, burned her six month-old daughter

and then committed suicide by setting herself on fire, protesting the government's crackdown on Falun Gong. This report made a stir throughout the country and it was reprinted by many newspapers in Shen-zhen, Harbin, Shanghai and other places.

Recently, the Hong Kong Information Center for Human Rights and Democratic Movements conducted an investigation and found out that the report was a total fabrication. The center said, by quoting Chinese officials, that the people, location, time and the story in that report were all fabricated.

An official in the Wei-nan Communist Political and Law Committee of Shanxi Province named Wu testified that there was absolutely no fire-suicide event and, moreover, a lady named Zhi-wen Zhang did not exist at all. In addition, many news agencies in China called them for verification and got the same answer.

The “Reincarnated Jesus Christ” Hoax

Jiang was quoted on U.S. national television as saying, “Their leader Li Hongzhi claimed that he was a reincarnated Bodhisattva, reincarnated Jesus Christ. He said that the end of the world was coming, and the earth would explode... After a careful consideration, we concluded that Falun Gong is an evil cult.” In this case, Jiang appeared ridiculous beyond words. As I mentioned earlier, anyone outside of China, who wants to look up Li Hongzhi's actual words, may do so. And, when they look for the quotes Jiang attributes to Mr. Li, the quotes simply cannot be found.

All throughout history, without fail, it can be seen that whenever human society went to any extreme and became imbalanced, it always seemed to reverse itself at some point. Why? Because man is governed by a higher Law or higher intelligence that oversees mankind's evolution, preventing it from going to any extremes. This Falun Gong persecution is no exception. It has reached its peak and is now sliding downwards—or as Mr. Li says, “When things go to an extreme, they turn around.”

The “Anthrax Scare” Hoax

Jiang had attempted to spread his propaganda overseas by associating Falun Gong with the sudden worldwide fear of anthrax following the 911 incident in the U.S. The sensational anthrax/Falun Gong “news” that Jiang tried to spread throughout the world, backfired on him in grand style. In fact, his State-run media is still reeling from the aftershocks of this ill-conceived, ultra-transparent attempt to frame Falun Gong.

In an article entitled “Beijing Reports on Anthrax Scare 'Highly Suspicious' A Probable Attempt to Frame Falun Gong, Incite Hatred” the author states, “Suspicious circumstances combined with recent reports from China suggest that this was another act by China's authorities to criminalize Falun Gong. This time authorities are capitalizing on misfortune in America and public fears of biological warfare” (October 18, 2001, *Deutsche Presse Agentur*).

This article was only one of many that reported the same story: how Jiang's

government had attempted to frame Falun Gong. The fact that Jiang would not let even one foreign journalist enter China to verify the story that the Xinhua News Agency peddled to the world only deepened the correct impression formed by the journalists and public outside of China—that is, when it comes to Falun Gong, the Chinese media absolutely can not be relied on to report the truth.

I know first hand, that Jiang ordered the State media to dramatically increase its use of the term “terrorist organization” when referring to Falun Gong, intending to capitalize on the fallout of the September 11th incident in New York. This, as well as his anthrax hoax, clearly demonstrated the level of desperation Jiang was feeling and is still feeling in his attempt to shape world opinion against Falun Gong. In implicating Falun Gong in this anthrax hoax, Jiang hoped to lessen the negative global publicity he had rightfully garnered. He wanted people to think, “Yes, maybe Jiang Zemin was right all along in saying that Falun Gong was an evil cult. Look what this fanatical terrorist group just tried doing with this anthrax!” In some perverted way, Jiang wanted to appear to be the hero he is not. He had hoped this would get the world to associate Falun Gong with groups like the Aum Shinrikyo of Japan, infamous for at least 12 deaths resulting from the unleashing of Sarin gas in the 1995 Tokyo subway attack.

In an article released in March 2002, Clare Nullis of the Associated Press reported on the fact that China is exploiting the rising global concern over terrorism to intensify its crack-down on spiritual groups inside China. Here's an excerpt:

Human Rights Watch said China was using the drive against Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network to justify a clampdown in the north-western Muslim region of Xinjiang, also known as East Turkestan. Repression in Tibet and against the Falun Gong spiritual movement had also intensified...

Jiang is always looking to pin some bigger-than-life “terrorist incident” on Falun Gong in the hopes of justifying his campaign of terror against the group. If you come across any of these sensational “terrorist stories” in the future, you'll know what to make of them, I'm sure.

The “Killing Dogs and Killing Human Beings” Hoax

Here is an article that is sadly typical of the anti-Falun Gong propaganda drifting about in China. It is hard to comprehend that people here still believe in trash like this, disguised as “news,” but they do. I'm sure when you read this article you will think it is almost too comical (see my comments in italics below):

Falun Gong Cult Followers Cruel in Killing the Innocent (07/14/2003)

A follower of the Falun Gong cult has shocked society by poisoning 17 innocent people, most beggars or vagrants, from May 25 to June 27 this year under the Falun Gong cult doctrines, according to a commentary to be carried in People's Daily on July 15.

[So, according to Falun Gong's “cult doctrines,” one must poison innocent people—you're kidding, right?]

By now more than 1,700 innocent people have been killed by Falun Gong cult followers in practicing the cult's doctrines of “clearing crimes committed in a previous life” or “complete oneself in this life” either by killing themselves or killing others.

[You could spend all of eternity looking for these so-called “doctrines” and the two above ridiculous “quotes” suggesting that Mr. Li advocates killing oneself or others and you still won't find them!]

[...] Under his “master” Li Hongzhi's direction, Chen started killing, first dogs then human beings.

[Oh, so Mr. Li directs practitioners to kill dogs... then human beings... are you sure? Where does he say that?!]

According to the heretical ideas of the Falun Gong cult, Chen believed killing could improve his own power to reach the ideal state advocated in the Falun Gong cult.

[Really now!—you actually want people to believe that Mr. Li advocates killing others to “improve” one's “power” to reach some “ideal state”?!]

The crime once again showed that the cult still threatens society's stability and safety and the crimes once again ridicule the cult's so-called doctrines of “truth, kindness and tolerance,” the commentary says.

[Why is China the only country in the world foolish enough to claim that Falun Gong is a threat to human society—when it is not? Why is that?]

The commentary calls on the people to remain vigilant against the Falun Gong cult and take effective measures to crack down on the illegal crimes organized by the cult to protect people's safety.

[Of course, the Party wants to enlist the help of the public to eradicate Falun Gong... this is a typical propaganda ploy: “Stir up the people to fight the people.”]

“When I was reading the doctrines on Feb. 17, I suddenly felt Master Li Hongzhi tell me to do bad things, which though contrary to my usual practices, would help promote my power,” Chen said, “and I felt the bad things included killing, setting fires, and all the bad things are extremely good for our practices.”

[In what “doctrine” does Mr. Li advocate doing “bad things,” such as arson and killing others, to promote one's “power”? Where does he say doing “bad things” is “extremely good” for a practitioner's practice?!]

“I began killing mosquitoes, flies, then dogs and humans,” Chen said.

[Hmmm... seems like a very logical progression here. I wonder what Chen will be killing after human beings...]

With poisoned drinks, Chen killed 16 beggars and vagrants in streets and one Buddhist believer. “Most people would not take my drinks, so I chose beggars and vagrants,” Chen said. When asked how many people he wanted to kill, Chen answered he wanted to kill all human kind within one year.

Source: <http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/zt/ppflg/t36618.htm>

In another article...

Chen told the police that it is beneficial to his “Falun Gong” beliefs to kill beggars or vagrants, whom are regarded by him as the highest level people among all kinds of human beings.

[So, Mr. Li advocates killing beggars—the highest-level human beings there are—in order to benefit a person's “Falun Gong” beliefs? Where on earth does Mr. Li speak such insane nonsense?!]

Source: <http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/zt/ppflg/t36617.htm>

The Party uses pathetic stories like this to justify its persecution of Falun Gong. However, despite Party's ongoing efforts to slander the group, President Bush of the United States, among many others, still thinks this senseless persecution is a complete sham, “We have repeatedly stressed to the Chinese Government that there is no justification for its brutal repression of Falun Gong.”

OK... now comes the easy part. All you need to do is type two words into your Internet browser, “*Zhuan Falun*,” and you will certainly find this publication available as a free download. Read it. It is the main book of Falun Gong. Then re-read the article above. Then you will be able to see the truth of this persecution as if you were looking through a clear plate glass window. Also, you will come to understand what Mr. Li actually teaches and the profundity of his teachings may very well surprise you. You will come to realize that Falun Gong is infinitely different from the “circus act” image that the Chinese press makes Falun Gong out to be. Nowhere in Mr. Li's “doctrines” will you ever come across anything even remotely suggesting the “killing of dogs and human beings”? I think you already know this by now, thus, you can see just how foolish news articles like these really are. However, articles like this are actuality very good for Falun Gong—in a big way. Why? Because it shows people outside of China the ultra-extreme nature of this persecution inside of China and the lengths that the Party will go to in order to lie and deceive the public.

Here is another article you may find a little too incredible (the italics are my emphasis):

Falun Gong Follower Kills Wife, Daughter for Immortality (02/08/02)

A practitioner of China's banned Falun Gong cult in northeastern Liaoning Province hammered his sleeping wife to death and left his 14-year-old daughter seriously injured on February 3, local authorities said on February 7.

Dong Li, 37, confessed he had received his master Li Hongzhi's instruction on that day which said that at 0:00 February 4, *the earth would destruct itself*. According to the instruction, *only dead Falun Gong followers could become immortal, otherwise the living would turn into pigs and dogs*.

The fervent disciple, who has been following Falun Gong since 1997, decided to kill his wife and daughter. However, Dong did not act until late evening that day. When both his wife and daughter fell asleep at 10:00 pm, he took his pick and attacked them after burning all his books and tapes on Falun Gong.

He failed to notice that his daughter was still alive because the light had broken during his attack. After the farmer wiped the blood off himself, he gave himself up to the police and asked to be executed so that he could achieve *nirvana* along with his family.

The man kept murmuring “three minutes left for internal completion” while he was in the police station, said a police officer. [...] (Xinhua)

Source: <http://www.china-embassy.org>

By writing these two preposterous above articles, I feel the Party has, yet once again, stuck itself with its own sword!

I would like to say something about the ubiquitous use of the word “nirvana” in China's countless anti-Falun Gong news articles. The media keeps harping on this word as if it has something to do with Falun Gong or Mr. Li's teachings. It does not. If you do a simple key word-search (Find: Ctrl+F), on the word “nirvana” in Mr. Li's main book, *Zhuan Falun* (available in Microsoft Word), you will see it mentioned only six times in 194 pages of text. However, each time it's mentioned, it is *always* in relationship to the fact that Buddha Shakyamuni, over 2,500 years ago, taught this system of cultivation practice. Back then, in Buddha's cultivation school, nirvana was a state of spiritual liberation that a monk attained as a direct result of seriously cultivating himself in the physical human world. Reaching nirvana had nothing whatsoever to do with killing oneself or others, either in Buddha's time or in modern-day Buddhism. Anybody who studied the teachings of Buddha Shakyamuni (even superficially) knows that!

Moreover, Mr. Li repeatedly mentions that his school of cultivation takes a different path than Buddha Shakyamuni. Therefore, “reaching nirvana” has no relationship to Falun Gong at all! Mr. Li does not teach the way of nirvana, period! So, without having to dig too deep at all, one can see that all of these slanderous news articles that talk about practitioners killing themselves or others to reach nirvana, are absurd lies! They're there

to distract and confuse you. They have no basis in reality—none at all.

As far as the above news article talking about Mr. Li teaching his practitioners to “kill dogs,” I did a key word-search on the word “dogs” in *Zhuan Falun* and it was only mentioned once. Ask yourself if the following passage looks like Mr. Li is advocating “killing dogs,” or for that matter “killing human beings,” “Mankind's moral standard is on a big downslide, the world is going to the dogs, people are just controlled by greed, they harm others just to benefit themselves a little, and people just compete and fight—they go at it by hook or by crook. So think about it, could this be allowed to continue?”

You can do a quick key word-search on any word or phrase that the Chinese Government says Mr. Li said and what you find will startle you. You will come face-to-face with the realization that this persecution against Falun Gong is the biggest sham the world has ever known—one big *smoke and mirrors* show!

Mind Games: Jiang Zemin Style

If you had the opportunity to study Jiang's rhetoric as much as I have (behind closed doors and in public), you would quickly realize that he has a certain predictable methodology that he resorts to whenever he gets caught in a lie, which, I might add, is quite often: *admit nothing and deny everything*. Observing Jiang's reactions to being caught in a lie, you will first notice that his “accusers” are always thrown off guard, stunned, if you will. They don't know whether to laugh or to take Jiang seriously. When they further point out the obvious discrepancies in his propaganda, Jiang becomes furious. He does not use logic and reason to deal with the accusations; rather, he doesn't deal with them at all. Instead, you will find that he:

- will never admit to wrongdoing of any sort,
- will never acknowledge that others may have a valid point or argument,
- will never reason out his differences with others in a diplomatic way.

Furthermore, you can expect Jiang to:

- be arrogant and brash
- become defensive and accusatory
- lie to you, saying that you are the one who is in denial of the “facts”
- pose illogical arguments that lack sound reasoning
- give the impression that it is *you* who is not cooperating with *him*
- bring the discussion to a grinding halt, due to his lack of diplomacy
- accuse you of having “anti-communist” sentiments
- accuse you of being “imperialistic,” or something else absurd
- tell you that your research is sorely lacking
- take things personally, as if you're the one being offensive and rude
- blame you for noticing inconsistencies in what he says and what he does.

In Jiang's mind, for someone to not gloss over the President of China's wrongdoings, is a definite sign of disrespect. Why? Because, there's an issue of saving face at hand here which his accuser is choosing not to honor. It is truly as though Jiang thinks his presidency

absolves him of the need to explain himself or admit any wrongdoing. Of course, if you publicly disgrace Jiang inside China, at any level, you will most likely end up being imprisoned, tortured, or maybe just plain “disappear.” Foreign leaders and members of the media, largely try to avoid direct confrontations with Jiang Zemin, as they know him to be a rather irrational fellow. As a result, they wind up tiptoeing around potentially explosive issues rather than start a diplomatic, international row. And in a way, I don't blame them.

No Problems with Falun Gong in Over 50 Countries

According to the Chinese media, Falun Gong practitioners are either, killing themselves, killing others, or causing severe disruptions to the normal functioning of society on a regular basis. Yet, there have never been any such problems occurring in over 50 countries. Isn't this a bit odd? For example, contrary to what Jiang's media says, there are no reports of any Falun Gong, so-called “leaders,” controlling other practitioners' lives, forcing practitioners to pay membership dues, closely monitoring their whereabouts, forcing practitioners to participate in “required group activities,” or placing restrictions on practitioners' ability to come and go as they please. Furthermore, there are no reports of practitioners “inciting subversion of State power,” “instigating separatism from the ruling government,” committing suicide, jumping out of buildings, jumping from moving vehicles, “performing self-mutilation,” fabricating and spreading such fallacies as “doomsday” and “earth explosion,” killing their loved ones or family members, “dying as a result of practicing Falun Gong by refusing medical attention when falling ill,” “disrupting public order and stability by staging illegal demonstrations,” surrounding media agencies and government organizations to “overthrow the government,” “looking for supernatural powers and becoming psychopathic,” “cutting their bellies with sharp tools to search for the so-called 'Falun,’” “suffering from hallucinations,” “not taking care of their family and not contributing to society,” or “being anti-science,” “anti-government,” and “anti-society.”

In addition, there are no reports of political dissent, crimes, murders, “practitioners mindlessly and irresponsibly worshipping their founder,” violence of any kind, or practitioners using mind control to keep everyone from “straying from the group.” So in reality, doesn't it all boil down to this: either Jiang and his State-run media are lying, or Falun Gong is lying? Which one do you think it is?

Foreign Leaders Speak Up for Falun Gong

What do foreign leaders around the world say about Falun Gong? Not only do they allow Falun Gong to be practiced in their individual countries, they also openly encourage, support, and applaud its principles and its benefits to their respective societies. They take this stand even after experiencing the glut of misinformation pouring out of China. Why? Because these leaders clearly recognize Communist Party propaganda when they see it. Take for instance what the officials of the Council of the City of New York have to say, “The Council of the City of New York is proud to honor and commend the Falun Dafa movement, founded by Li Hongzhi, in recognition of their teachings of peace and spirituality, and for their courage and perseverance in the face of oppression by the People's Republic of China.”

China uses the unanimous acceptance and support of Falun Gong overseas to point out the “irresponsible nature” of these governments, claiming that they are allowing themselves to be “hoodwinked” by Falun Gong and as such, do not know the “real truth” behind Falun Gong’s “dangerous nature.” However, as usual, China’s version of the truth doesn’t stack up to reality. More to the point, it doesn’t stack up to the personal experiences that leaders in over 50 countries have had with Falun Gong over the course of at least three years.

In other words, these leaders know that it is the Chinese government itself that is trying to hoodwink the world, *not* Falun Gong! That’s why, despite all of the billions of yuan that China spent on deceiving the world about Falun Gong, Li Hongzhi was still nominated as a candidate for the 2001 Nobel Peace Prize! Here is a portion of the letter nominating Mr. Li Hongzhi and his students for this award:

October 18, 2000

Honorable Nobel Prize Nomination Committee,

... As we enter the 21st Century, the world longs for peace, justice, and health more than ever before. Mr. Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, has made outstanding contributions to society precisely in these areas. Through his teachings of the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance, Mr. Li Hongzhi has deepened people’s understanding of the spirit and the virtue of peace. He has provided people greater spiritual strength to achieve peace not only in daily life but also when facing vicious persecution.

Since 1992, Mr. Li Hongzhi has been tirelessly teaching the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance, allowing people to obtain the fundamental way of achieving a peaceful mind and healthy body. In Mr. Li’s view, virtue and peace are inseparable. He has provided people with a comprehensive new way for resolving conflict and strife, i.e., by seeking within oneself, applying the virtues of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance under all circumstances. In just eight short years, his teaching has effectively enabled millions to transform the various conflicts and strife in their lives into more harmonious situations.

In order to let more people learn the principles of Falun Gong, Mr. Li has tirelessly traveled around the world. He has opened the door to mind and body cultivation to millions of people in more than 40 countries, regardless of their race, belief, age, gender, wealth, social status and without regard for his own personal benefit. He has made invaluable contributions toward promoting world peace by living by and promoting solid traditional moral values and the universal principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance that he has enlightened to.

I believe that in a society filled with violence and conflict, the principles Mr. Li has taught will become one of the foundations for the lasting peace of mankind. During the past year, his students have already testified to this through their remarkable practice...

The following are some of the many foreign officials who know exactly what this persecution is all about and therefore refuse to excuse China for its blatant disregard for human life:

President Bush of the United States: "... adherents of the Falun Gong spiritual movement have been singled out for arrest and abuse. This persecution is unworthy of all that China has been, a civilization with a history of tolerance. And this persecution is unworthy of all that China should become—an open society that respects the spiritual dignity of its people."

Senator Vicki Bourne, Australian Parliament: "This outlawing of Falun Dafa is of great concern to the International Community and is well documented around the world and corroborated by independent organizations such as Amnesty International. [...] The arrest of Falun Dafa practitioners is in contravention of basic human rights such as the freedom of belief, assembly, and expression."

Irwin Cotler, Canadian Member of Parliament: "What we are witnessing today in China is the criminalization of innocence. They have taken a spiritual meditation exercise group, outlawed it and declared it illegal, then subjected all its members to intimidation, prosecution, persecution, and imprisonment, for no other reason than that they espoused the basic, fundamental values of Truth, Kindness and Forbearance [...] it must be our responsibility, to speak on behalf of those who cannot be heard, to bear witness on behalf of those who cannot testify, to protect those who put not only their livelihood but indeed their lives on the line, and to affirm and reaffirm and recommit ourselves to the values of Truth, Compassion and Forbearance - not only as expressions and examples of the best in ancient Chinese values, but as universal norms that inspire us all."

Honourable Phil Goff, New Zealand Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade: "Falun Dafa operated within New Zealand and no problems had been experienced with it. We continue to urge the Chinese Government to bring to an end the abuse of human rights of Falun Gong practitioners, and to allow practitioners to follow their beliefs and practice their movements without restriction."

Cecilia Malmström, Swedish EU Member of Parliament: "The whole world is condemning China on this [Falun Gong] issue. Sweden has done so, the European Union, all the institutions, the United States of America, all European countries, Australia, New Zealand, etc... But still, the Chinese regime continues its suppression and systematic crackdown on Falun Gong practitioners all over the world. This has to stop!"

Congressman Chris Smith, Vice Chairman of the House International Relations Committee: “I commend the Falun Gong for their tireless pursuit of justice [...] Along with other members of Congress, I will continue to stand in solidarity with the Falun Gong and those who oppose religious oppression and work for a day when all Chinese people can live in peace, free from fear, and persecution.”

Charles E. Schumer, United States Senator, New York: “I have joined my colleagues in writing two letters to Chinese President Jiang Zemin expressing our outrage at his violations of fundamental rights under the Chinese constitution and established international norms of freedom, of belief, expression, and assembly.”

Saving Face: A Crippling Oriental Notion

In China, there's a deep unwritten social protocol that says that everyone must respect governmental authority and not second-guess its methods or reasons for doing what it does, even if what it does is questionable. Or, as the saying goes, “One should obey if one understands. One should also obey even when one does not understand.” Part of this obeying authority mentality is an attempt to help those actually in authority to “save face,” or as I like to think of it: to not look bad to others, even when one is bad! This idea of “saving face” is a crippling Oriental notion that I feel can, at times, become very cumbersome.

The mindset of the Chinese Communist authorities goes something like this: “Minority obeys majority, partial obeys whole, lower level obeys upper levels, the whole party obeys the Central Government.” In other words, it is best to do what you are told to do and not ask questions. Moreover, for a person living in China, asking a governmental authority to explain himself can be a very offensive gesture. Likewise, if a person were to have the nerve to publicly express a point of view that is at odds with the government's point of view, that “treasonous act” could literally cost that person his life. As hard as that may be to comprehend, this is just the way it is here.

At a young age, Chinese learn that it is more respectful to not question authority, and much safer too. Why? It is because questioning authority is actually equated with opposing authority, meaning, it is not taken lightly at all. Of course, this line of thinking clearly does not apply to all people, everywhere in the world. This is why many nations continually point out discrepancies in what China *says* it does and what it *actually* does. These nations do not pay much attention to this “saving face” issue as we do here in China. Although Jiang demands his media fabricate lies about Falun Gong, saying in effect, “print this and don't print that,” the only thing that concerns people outside of China is whether the news is true or not. They don't care what position Jiang holds in the Chinese Communist Party—if something is true about Falun Gong, it should be printed and if it is not, it should not be printed.

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More Deaths Than You Think

The number of practitioners tortured to death during this persecution has been very hard to pinpoint. Most human rights organizations place the figure somewhere in the mid-hundreds. Falun Gong believes the figure to be closer to 1,700. However, I'll tell you right now, the actual number is over seven thousand. That's right, over seven thousand have been killed so far—not “hundreds”!

Maybe if this information was more widely known, Jiang would find it harder to claim that all practitioners' deaths were the result of either “natural causes,” “suicide,” or because Falun Gong “does not allow practitioners to seek medical treatment,” which, of course, is a totally erroneous statement.

Inside the Prison Walls

We have a well-established network of handpicked individuals working within the confines of the Chinese prisons themselves. They know the deepest, darkest, filthiest secrets of the Party's inhumane treatment of Falun Gong. They get to see Jiang's brand of social terrorism up close and personal. They wake up to it—the screams of torture, the fright, the smell of decay—and they go to sleep knowing they will wake up to more of the same.

Why do they choose to be incarcerated in the same prisons cells as practitioners and risk their lives on a daily basis? They do it to record and document the atrocities that take place behind these impenetrable prison walls. How do we get them into the prisons without raising suspicion? We go through the very same people who run these hellholes. You see, for over a year now, we've offered attractive financial incentives to prison officials and prison guards for allowing us to secretly gather valuable information, which, in the past, would have been virtually impossible to obtain. Contrary to what Jiang believes, most of the people employed by the Chinese prison system, would sell their very souls for an extra few thousand yuan per month.

Along with these individuals and the regular prison employees we have on our payroll, we also utilize a network of prison informants. These people are totally against the cruel treatment and various acts of torture that practitioners are routinely subject to. These informants do not take pleasure in hurting others nor do they like being forced by their superiors to do things against their will. They want no part in Jiang's war on Falun Gong. This is especially true for those who have seen the evidence we've gathered showing how Jiang methodically planned and executed his *slander & slaughter* campaign against Falun Gong. These people have lost all respect for their president and realize that he's leading China down a very dangerous path. They know it is Jiang Zemin, *not* Falun Gong who is undermining the stability of the society.

Some of our informants will not accept remuneration of any kind, on any terms. These people have been the most helpful because they do what they do out of a sense of

righteousness, not profit. It is with their help that we have been able to record which guard(s) murdered or tortured which practitioner(s) and the circumstances involved. Through the use of miniature state-of-the-art audio/visual devices we have taken pictures of many of the various torture devices used on practitioners, as well as their lifeless, battered bodies covered in wounds, lying on the concrete floors of their cells. We have pictures of force-feeding with accompanying sounds, which, if you heard them, would make you feel like vomiting, weeping or both. At least that's the effect they have on me.

What these cruel, sadistic guards do is stick a plastic tube down a practitioner's nostrils, right down into their throat area. Then they force a watery salt solution and/or hot pepper mixture into the tube, which of course, then enters into the practitioner's stomach. However, these are untrained people performing these torturous acts—not medical personnel! And that is precisely the reason many practitioners wind up dying. Why exactly? Because these guards often times forcefully insert the tube in the wrong passageway so instead of the liquid going into the stomach, it goes in the lungs, killing the practitioners very quickly. Of course, the guards routinely report deaths like these as “suicides” or deaths as a result of “natural causes.”

We have recordings of private meetings among the guards in which they discuss the strategy of how to deal with the tortured victim's death, and what story they will all agree to give the family when they report this death to them. However, more often than not, these deaths never get reported.

We have infiltrated their prison ranks with precision and purpose and are now on the inside looking out. What Jiang and his cohorts claim takes place or doesn't take place in these jail cells is nothing even remotely close to the truth. We have well over 4,100 photographs and as many voice recordings that say otherwise.

The Gathering of Evidence

Besides everything else we've been doing, we've also been conducting ongoing covert and remote surveillance both here in China and inside many of the Chinese Embassies and Consulates abroad. We have successfully recruited numerous Chinese Consulate or Embassy staff including embassy secretaries to perform this work for us. This is not because they necessarily believe that Falun Gong is good, but because we offer them considerable financial bonuses or “financial incentives,” as we call them.

Since dishonesty is so pervasive in the Chinese government, here and abroad, it is not hard for us to persuade so-called “Party loyalists” to work with us. Why? Because there are few members of Jiang's gang who are as inwardly loyal as they outwardly appear. Money, power, and position are the glittering gold in most officials' eyes, so the more appealing we make our incentives the easier it is to recruit them. Once they know we will not sell them out, it is easy to get along with them.

We have evidence on file of various high-level meetings detailing strategies for deflecting international criticism aimed at the Party's handling of Falun Gong. One of the key points these officials stress repeatedly is to “never, ever admit anything and deny everything.” As no foreign journalists are allowed to monitor China's internal affairs, they believe the truth of their crimes will always remain unverifiable. Nevertheless, they are wrong.

Some of the other evidence we've gathered is of overseas Chinese Consulate officials being instructed to make full use of foreign Chinese newspapers, radio stations, and other

media to assist the Party in their persecution of Falun Gong. By doing this the Party can effectively monitor, control, and secretly carry out their anti-Falun Gong campaign across foreign borders. According to Helen Luk, an Associated Press correspondent, China is "...seeking to discredit... [Falun Gong] and undermine its image in the United States, Australia, and other countries by pressing public officials not to have dealings with the group or allow its participation in local activities."

The overseas Chinese Consulate officials also make use of Pro-Party Chinese organizations to harass Falun Gong practitioners. How do they do this? They pressure these Chinese organizations to use every means possible to coerce various city and State officials to not allow Falun Gong to take part in any scheduled parades or other social functions that a particular city has planned. So yes, the Party's tentacles of influence are in every country that Falun Gong has members.

They even go so far as to fabricate evidence against Falun Gong so as to further persuade these officials that Falun Gong is not worthy of participating in these social functions. If Falun Gong's participation had already been approved for a particular event, the Chinese Consulate will use every means at its disposal to convince these same city officials to rescind Falun Gong's official permit to participate. Furthermore, Pro-Party Chinese gang members are recruited to intimidate and harass practitioners, wherever they may be. Various rewards are arranged for those who inflict the greatest harm to Falun Gong and/or who are most outspoken in their public denouncement of the group.

These hoodlums break into cars and homes owned by practitioners, disrupt their peaceful gatherings at practice sites, tap practitioners' phone lines, and monitor email transmissions both abroad and in China. In reality, they are just low-life bandits willing to do anything they are told to do.

As of right now, we have literally thousands of very private and revealing conversations on tape depicting the very lawless mentality that the consulates and their hired hands engage in on a day-to-day basis. The evidence we have completely blows the lid off the staged innocence of the Chinese officials in their canned denials of wrongdoing. We have infiltrated their ranks with the same unbending intent they use to persecute Falun Gong.

In reality, Jiang's fear of "foreign imperialist governments trying to overthrow the Party" is simply unfounded. It is people that he has known for years, people like myself, who he sees every day, that will thwart his efforts to undermine the nation of China. Since power and deceit have completely polluted Jiang's mind, he leaves some Party members little choice but to secretly oppose him. Thus, the truth of this persecution, as we know it to be, is gradually being leaked out, one piece at a time.

Prison Guards Read and Watch TV Too

Prison guards read newspapers and watch TV, just like regular folks do. Thus, they too wind up believing much of what they see and hear. Some guards know practitioners are good people but are forced to torture them anyway and they often share their sad dilemma with these practitioners.

In addition, others have been fooled by Jiang's lies and thus regard practitioners as "enemies of the State" or "counter-revolutionaries," with none of the rights or privileges of ordinary citizens. They take special delight in torturing practitioners until they either give up their faith in Falun Gong, or simply die. The cruelty of these guards is almost

inconceivable! However, remember this always: good will be rewarded with good and evil will definitely be punished. No matter how important a person thinks they are, they won't be able to escape this immutable principle of Heaven. The fact that Jiang and his cohorts believe heavenly principles do not apply to them, makes them, in my opinion, very ill-informed.

Jiang's Reign of Terror

Jiang's reign of terror against Falun Gong has, without a doubt, changed the entire fabric of Chinese society. From the very onset he acted against the Chinese Constitution by making it “illegal” to practice Falun Gong. Since he has advocated lawlessness from the highest to the lowest levels of government, a precedent has been set for present and future Chinese leaders. As everyone knows, when the leaders of a country are corrupt and devious, the society itself becomes corrupt and devious. Even the police think, “If our President thinks lawlessness is OK, then it must be OK. Not only that, but he rewards us with bonuses and promotions if we break the law.” Do you think this style of leadership has anything to do with the 50% increase in crime in China under Jiang's leadership? Think about it; when the police can boldly commit acts of lawlessness, right in plain view, without fear of consequences, who can the people turn to for protection—let alone complain to?

Moreover, if those who have been wronged by the police do manage to find someone to complain to, the local authorities will simply retaliate by accusing the complainer of some bogus trumped up charge and then arrest them. What does this type of police behavior lead to? It leads to a genuine state of fear, terror, and chaos in all the different levels of society and government. Despite the image of progress and harmony that Jiang's propaganda promotes, discontentment and disillusionment are widespread in China too.

Jiang is the Only Leader to Slander Falun Gong

Officials from all over the world have presented Li Hongzhi with over 1,000 awards and proclamations of admiration and support—all within the three short years since Jiang's reign of terror began. All of this was very upsetting to Jiang's regime but not as upsetting as Mr. Li's nomination as a candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2001.

Here is a partial letter from the Chinese Consul, General Zhang Chunxiang, criticizing the nomination of Mr. Li as a candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize. You will notice that the Party's anti-Falun Gong propaganda campaign was just as pathetic then as it is now.

Consul General Zhang Wrote Congress Members on Nominating Li Hongzhi as Candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize

[...] The Consul General said in the letters that it is a well-known fact that Li Hongzhi and his cult fabricate sophistries and heresies, trumpet suicide for the so-called “Completion,” and brainwashed his practitioners, who set themselves ablaze, slaughter innocent people and left behind many family tragedies.

The Falun Gong practitioners' self-burning at Tian'anmen Square and some other places in Beijing recently are part of the dreadful consequences of the evil nature of Falun Gong cult.

The cult has destroyed people's lives, trampled on human rights, and jeopardized social order... The Chinese Government and people are therefore strongly opposed to the nomination and to any use of the Nobel Peace Prize to achieve ulterior political motives...

<http://www.chinahouston.org/new/2001305123452.html>

Also, Li Hongzhi was nominated by the European Parliament for the 2001 Sakharov Award. The Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought is a yearly event where an individual or organization is awarded for efforts made in promoting basic human rights, freedom of thought, religious freedom, and for taking a firm stand against the persecution of human beings. Mr. Li was nominated for this prize by over 28 European Parliament members. In contrast to the many international rewards the founder of Falun Gong received, Jiang is the only leader of any nation to issue an international arrest warrant for Mr. Li. However, when Jiang called upon U.S. authorities to arrest Mr. Li, (as he was residing in the U.S. at that time) they flatly refused, despite the fact that Jiang offered to reduce the U.S. trade deficit with China by 500 million dollars!

Why did the U.S. not turn over Mr. Li to the Chinese authorities? It is because they clearly saw through Jiang's ridiculous and politically motivated agenda. Against the backdrop of the world, Jiang stands very much alone in his personal war on Falun Gong—and understandably so. He is the only leader in the world who stands to lose by not destroying Falun Gong. Conversely, other leaders have gone on record as saying that their nation unquestionably stands to gain by supporting Falun Gong.

Think about it; what country wants to knowingly and consciously pretend that Falun Gong is “evil” and “must be destroyed at all costs”? What country wants to take the same superstitious and feudalistic approach to human rights that Jiang has taken with his anti-Falun Gong campaign? What nation wants to use China as a role model when it comes to practicing religious tolerance?

You see, at the same time Jiang ordered his henchmen to slander, torture, and murder innocent Falun Gong men, women, and children, he also managed to garner a less than flattering reputation for the nation of China. As a result, people everywhere think of China as “the land of religious persecution,” “the nation that no one trusts” or such similar terms. Anyway, Jiang has brought untold embarrassment to the people of China—this is a fact.

Jiang has not been able to gather any support, sympathy, or respect from any leader of any nation on this Falun Gong issue. Why? Because the villainous deeds Jiang commits against Falun Gong are unconscionable, barbaric, and against any civilized country's human rights policies. For example, Jiang is the only leader of any nation to:

1) initiate and order the brutal torture of practitioners using the most inhumane means ever devised by man. This includes putting 30,000 volt electrically charged batons (super-charged cattle prods!) on the faces and in the mouths of practitioners causing excruciating pain, irreversible physical damage and, of course, disfigurement. Many others suffered this same sadistic torture, on and in, their privates!

2) order the beating of imprisoned practitioners for hours at a time until the practitioners literally go unconscious. Then the guards proceed to throw cold water on them to “revive” them for more beatings. However, if the water doesn't revive them, the 30,000-volt electric batons will. How? By putting the batons in the puddle of cold water that the practitioner is lying in and electrocuting them until they either wake up, or simply die.

3) allow prison guards to put lit cigarettes on practitioners' faces, mouths, and private parts. They even use sharpened stiff wire to pierce women's nipples in the most sadistic manner.

4) lock up practitioners in cages so small that they can neither sit nor stand for weeks and months on end; providing no facilities for bathing or using the toilet.

5) allow the guards to put human excrement on an already dirty cloth, cover a practitioner's mouth with it, then wrap tape around the head to hold it in place over the mouth while the practitioner is handcuffed to the bars in the cell.

6) handcuff practitioners behind their back, throw a rope over the top rung of the jail cell bars, attach it to the handcuffs, hoist them up off the ground, and leave them there for days or weeks at a time. An average person could take no more than 1-2 minutes of this torture. While they are suspended in mid-air, the guards routinely beat them mercilessly.

7) allow the systematic rape of imprisoned female practitioners, that is, throwing them naked into jail cells filled only with violent male criminals.

8) allow guards to take practitioners, strip them down to their undergarments, throw cold water on them in the height of winter and then toss them into the snow, taunting them with these words, “If you die it will count less than a dog's life. We have orders to count it as a suicide!”

9) allow guards to throw boiling water on practitioners' bodies.

10) force practitioners to drink corrosive disinfectants or chemicals.

11) force practitioners to squat in the same awkward bent-over position for days at a time. One hour of this torture would make most grown men wail in pain.

12) tie practitioners to a flat, cold metal bed, dump cold water on them and torture them for hours at a time, forcing them to urinate and defecate right where they lie. This torture can last for days on end.

13) handcuff two practitioners back-to-back and leave them standing for days or weeks without bathroom facilities; forbidding them to move or even close their eyes.

14) allow the guards to take practitioners and force them to stand three inches from a wall staring straight ahead, perfectly still, for many, many days in a row, without sleep. Anyone who dares to move, ever so slightly, is savagely beaten and shocked with 30,000 volts.

The guards employ inmates to take shifts to make sure the practitioners do not fall asleep, close their eyes, or move their bodies at all.

15) permit prison guards to ransack practitioners' homes and steal anything they want, anytime they want, without requiring a search warrant.

16) force educational institutions, including high schools and colleges, not to admit Falun Gong practitioners.

17) force the public to sign petitions denouncing Falun Gong.

18) force work units to turn in Falun Gong members or risk high fines.

19) permit police officers to extort huge sums of money in the form of fines anytime they catch practitioners violating the illegal "laws" Jiang has enacted.

The fact that the rest of the world experiences Falun Gong as something good, while only China experiences it as something bad, explains this whole Falun Gong issue in just a few words, doesn't it?

The West's Problem with China's Human Right Violations

Jiang would like to have the world think that the West continuously criticizes China's human rights record for no other reason than a desire to "meddle in China's internal affairs," and/or "engage in disagreement for the mere sake of disagreement." Jiang's refusal to acknowledge any legitimacy of the West's concerns regarding human rights is a typical ploy to deflect attention away from China's human rights record onto the so-called "intrusiveness" of the West's complaints. I'm quite sure you've seen this particular ploy played out repeatedly.

Most Western nations hold a deep dedication to human dignity, to freedom of belief, and to the same basic human rights that China agreed to uphold when signing the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in October 1999. Many nations have attempted to engage Jiang in an open dialogue over this issue and on numerous occasions, but ultimately to no avail... of course. A truly open and honest dialogue on this human rights issue would most certainly reveal shortcomings on every nation's part. Yet, Jiang will not even consider the mere possibility of such dialogues taking place. Is it possible that he is afraid of confronting the mountain of irrefutable documented evidence stacked against him, especially as it relates to Falun Gong?

A reasonable man will pause when confronted with a dissenting opinion. That pause is the mark of respect for the person who holds the opposing viewpoint. If both parties are honest and fair, then such a pause should be occasion for both parties to become reflective and self-critical. However, because Jiang hides his real motives and objectives in persecuting Falun Gong and refuses to be held accountable to signed UN agreements, these types of constructive disagreements can not, and will not, take place. Jiang does not have enough integrity within himself to be reflective and self-critical, let alone admit he fabricated the whole Falun Gong problem to begin with.

This isn't about the West having a different opinion or viewpoint from China and

wanting arbitrarily to force Jiang to capitulate to their point of view. Rather, China has signed certain international agreements and is violating these agreements—plain and simple. Thus, the general consensus of the world is that China lacks the honor to adhere to any international agreement they sign. So as it stands now, no one trusts China; no matter what they say; what they do; and what they sign; and really, why should they? China is sticking to the absurd story that these claims of human rights violations are “hypothetical,” at best. However, they are 100% real and 100% verifiable. Therefore, no matter how adamantly Jiang denies any wrongdoing, the world knows the real facts, and they are not happy about it.

The West simply wants China to stop its blatant violations of human rights and to allow other members of the UN to freely investigate the violations that China so staunchly and wrongly denies. Even when faced with international pressure, China still refuses to cooperate. But of course, they refuse! They are guilty as charged; they know it and they know the whole world knows it too. If they had nothing to hide, do you think they would spend all of their time *hiding*? Their ongoing childish denial of wrongdoing is both tedious and time consuming for the international community. Yet, Jiang feels no sense of embarrassment at all while he stubbornly sticks to the story that, “What the nations of the world see, is what they want to see, however, what they see has no basis in reality.”

Of course, any pressure the West has brought to bear on China, regarding human rights, has been undercut by the West's other actions. The world's eagerness to do business with China has led to the giving away of almost all possible incentives that might have been used to help moderate Jiang's conduct, and this is truly a shame. Considering the fact that Jiang has successfully gained China's access to the WTO (World Trade Organization), has secured the coveted 2008 Olympics, and has finagled Most Favored Nation trade status with the U.S., what incentive does China now have to stop persecuting Falun Gong?

In addition, think about it; why should Jiang, or those in line to succeed him, want to stop this persecution when it would inevitably mean losing face among the people of China? This would be unthinkable. Instead, Jiang wants to operate his government behind closed doors so he can maintain strict control of the masses, as he deems fit. Also, any agreement Jiang might sign to temporarily stop human rights abuses in China could only serve to substantiate his portrayal of China, as “one of the world's most progressive proponents for religious freedom and human rights.” However, the U.S. Congressional-Executive Commission on China issued its latest annual report disagreeing with China's portrayal of itself, saying, “The Chinese Government continues to violate China's own constitution and laws and international norms and standards protecting human rights.”

The China Foreign Ministry responded to this U.S. report, saying that human rights in China were “in the best period.” I am sure that the Chinese official who spoke these words had a very hard time keeping a straight face! Also, in reference to China's deplorable disregard for human rights, the UK Foreign Ministry, in their most recent human rights report, exposed the following horrific attitude of the Chinese Communist Party, “China stated at the UN Commission on Human Rights in April 2003 that international concern over human rights in China was *'unimportant, meaningless, and irrelevant.'*” Oh, I see. If treating human beings with respect, dignity, and tolerance is a trivial issue not worthy of the Party's consideration, then, how can China claim that human rights in China are “in the best period”?! Isn't this double-talk? Isn't it pure, unadulterated propaganda?

A Letter of Praise to Li Hongzhi from the Communist Party

Here is one of many letters that bears witness to the favorable relationship that Falun Gong once enjoyed with the State, that is, before Jiang decided to intentionally and maliciously persecute the group:

The Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China's
Thank-you letter to The China Qigong Science Research Society [under
the authority of the Ministry of Public Security]

To: Mr. Zhang, Zhenhuan, Chairman of the China Qigong Science
Research Society

The Third National Outstanding Jianyi Yongwei Individuals Honoring
Conference, which was co-sponsored by the Central Propaganda
Ministry and the Public Security Ministry, has been successfully
wrapped up. Many representatives attending the Conference got injured
or disabled from fighting against criminals. After conventional medical
treatment, many of them still suffered from various symptoms.

To help those outstanding individuals alleviate their sufferings, CJYF
had formally submitted a request to CQSRS to invite Mr. Li Hongzhi,
founder of China Falun Gong, to offer free health recovery treatment to
the outstanding figures during the Conference. Our request received
immediate endorsement from general secretary Mr. Zhang, Jian, deputy
general secretary Mr. Guan, Qian and Director Mr. Fei, Dequan.

On August 24, upon our invitation, Mr. Li Hongzhi made a special trip
to the Public Security Ministry and offered treatment to Chairman
Wang, Fang. On August 30, Mr. Li, Hongzhi, leading a group of Falun
Gong masters [veteran practitioners], offered treatment to up to 100
representatives at the Conference venue. Because of the remarkable
effectiveness, the treatment received wide acclamation. Prior to the
treatment, some people were suffering from ailments left over from
knife and gunshot injuries.

After the treatment, they were relieved of such symptoms as pain,
numbness and chronic weakness. Those suffering from brain injury post
illnesses recovered a sober mind after the treatment, and were relieved
of such symptoms as headache and dizziness.

Some people were rid of tumors right on the spot. Some excreted gall
stones in 24 hours after receiving the treatment. Some people suffered
from stomach diseases, heart diseases or arthritis. After the treatment,
all of them were relieved of symptoms right on the site. Among those
almost 100 people receiving treatment, only one person claimed no
obvious effects.

All others felt obvious improvements of various degrees. The representatives treated by Falun Gong were very grateful for this event arranged by the China Jianyi Yongwei Foundation and credited it as a tangible help offered during the Conference.

Whereas the leaders of CQSRS and Mr. Li, Hongzhi directly offered that help, and the activity would help promote the general public's sense of voluntarily combating criminal activities, we hereby express our sincere thanks to you, other CQSRS leaders and Mr. Li, Hongzhi!

We hope that our activities will receive continuous support from your Society and all walks of life.

China Jianyi Yongwei Foundation
August 31, 1993

In case you were wondering, yes, this is the very same Ministry of Public Security that invited Li Hongzhi to hold a lecture in their lecture hall, three years after Falun Gong was first introduced to the public. And yes... this is the same Ministry of Public Security that later initiated and directed the brutal persecution against Falun Gong.

One Person at a Time

I used to think the only hope for ending the persecution of Falun Gong would be for the governments of the world to ban together and put untold pressure on China. However, over the years, I've also noticed that the Party's ability to deceive the masses about Falun Gong has suffered a sharp decline, especially outside of China. Therefore, the way I see it now is this: Since this persecution is built on lies, once the lies are widely exposed, the Party's assault on Falun Gong will be unable to sustain itself, or, more to the point, it will simply run out of steam from the momentum of one person telling another the truth behind Jiang Zemin's poisonous deceit.

In Closing...

You may have found reading this book has stirred something within you. Perhaps you have a deeper understanding of the plight of Falun Gong and the real brutality of this merciless persecution. Perhaps you are curious and want to read Mr. Li's book, *Zhuan Falun* to gain insight into what Falun Gong really teaches. Perhaps my book has caused you to want to make a difference here—to expose the injustices of the Chinese regime.

If what you've read has brought you closer to the truth of what Falun Gong is and what they're up against; I would ask you to do this:

- 1) Please pass this book on to everybody you know. Give them the publisher's web address so they can download the book for free at <http://www.deep6-publishing.org>.

2) Read Mr. Li's book, *Zhuan Falun*, from cover-to-cover. Living according to the high-level principles contained therein will undoubtedly have a powerful and forever positive influence on your life.

3) Contact your local Falun Gong center (this information is available on the Internet) and tell them you want to see the original *Nine Day Lecture Series* that Mr. Li gave in the early 90s so you can compare what the Chinese media claims Mr. Li said and what Mr. Li actually said. They won't charge you anything to see the video lecture series.

4) Ask someone at the Falun Gong center to show you the five simple exercises, which they teach for free. You may notice a difference in how you feel almost immediately.

Also, just so you know, my intention in writing this book was not to convince you that the persecution of Falun Gong is taking place or, for that matter, that it's a totally unpardonable persecution. Rather, it was written to raise your awareness of the situation and to ask you to have a look. As I said before, either this persecution is taking place or it isn't, right? Either Falun Gong is lying or Jiang Zemin is lying, right? Either China has good reasons to persecute Falun Gong, or they don't. These are the only issues I see here. And if you dare to investigate these issues on your own, you'll surely be able to sort out the true from the false, fact from fiction.

Then, after doing the research, if you ever hear anyone saying anything bad about Falun Gong, you'll be able to walk right up to them, look them straight in the eye and kindly tell them without reservation, "What you just said is incorrect. Falun Gong is good—and I know this for a fact."

Poisonous Deceit

How the Chinese Government (Literally) Gets Away with Murder by Lying, Deceiving, and Fabricating its “Evidence” Against Falun Gong

Poisonous Deceit is a daring and timely work written by a top level Chinese Communist Party official in ex-President Jiang Zemin’s inner circle. This explosive and revealing book offers the reader a first ever, behind the scenes glimpse into the Party’s brutal and murderous crackdown on Falun Gong.

The author provides ample revealing insights into how and why his very own government is lying, deceiving, and fabricating its “evidence” against Falun Gong. He goes on to expose the so-called “self-immolation” incident in Tiananmen Square as “the greatest hoax ever to be perpetrated against the Chinese people in over 5,000 years.”

This book is a must read for anyone interested in knowing the real truth about Falun Gong and the Chinese Government’s secret plot to frame, slander, and exterminate this popular world-wide spiritual movement. This is a right to the point, no holds barred, tell-it-like-it-is, shocking exposé which is guaranteed to leave you speechless!

To avoid immediate and grave consequences for making this information available to the general public, the author has, for obvious security reasons, chosen to identify himself using only his pseudonym, 默文 (Mo Wen).