

Psychiatric Torture Report

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1. Died of Psychiatric Torture

Mr. Zhao Peijie, male, 32 years of age, from Xiaonigou Village, Datong Town, Rongcheng City, Shandong Province, was beaten, abused and forced to take drugs which destroyed his central nervous system. As a result, this once healthy and lively young man became a disabled, mentally ill person who could not take care of himself. His father and stepmother believed the CCP's propaganda. Instead of looking after him, they expelled him from their home. He had to wander around homeless, suffering hunger, cold and abuse. On June 28, 2008 he died in the wilderness.

2. Tortured in a Mental Hospital

Ms. Jiang Xiaoying, in her 50s, is a nurse at Jiujiang City's Fifth People's Hospital in Jiangxi Province. Ms. Jiang was locked into the Second Ward of the Fifth People's Hospital, and is still detained there. The staff at the hospital often ties her arms and legs, regularly draws blood from her, and injects her with nerve damaging drugs and other unknown drugs. The authorities at the hospital have instigated other psychiatric patients to attack and insult Ms. Jiang, and her family visits have been denied for several years.

Mr. Yang Baochun, male, 40 years of age, is a resident of Handan City, Hebei Province. In 1999, he was sentenced to two years of forced labor at the Handan Labor Camp, where he was beaten and shocked with electric batons. Forced to stand in the snow until his feet became frostbitten, his leg then had to be amputated. When transferred to the Ankang Hospital, a psychiatric hospital in Handan City, he was tortured and given unknown drugs which caused uncontrollable salivation, a numb tongue and drowsiness. After he was released in 2004, people were stationed outside his apartment to monitor Mr. Yang around the clock. Later the police put him in a Psychiatric Hospital because he wrote "Falun Dafa is good." Mr. Yang is detained in the Hebei Psychiatric Hospital where he has been tortured, starved, shocked with electric batons, and beaten.

In April 2006, **Ms. Liu Xiaolian**, 69, was arrested and the officials of the Chibi City Police Department, Hubei Province sent her to the Psychiatric Department of the Pufang Hospital and ordered the doctors to torture her. At the Psychiatric Department, Ms. Liu was brutally beaten, injected with toxic medication, fed with mentally debilitating drugs, shocked with high-voltage electric batons, and insulted by male, mentally ill patients. Dr. Zhang, a chief doctor at the hospital, was in charge of torturing Ms. Liu and bargained for money with the police officers for conducting the torture. Once, Zhang and the medical workers working under him shocked Ms. Liu four hours with an electric baton before force-feeding her a toxic drug. Then, for 24 hours, they continuously injected her with an unknown drug. Afterwards, Ms. Liu lost consciousness for two consecutive days and her

whole body became dark and swollen. After she woke up, she temporarily lost the ability to speak for a while. In August 2008, Ms. Liu was released since she was on the verge of death. She never recovered and died on the afternoon of October 26, 2008.

Mr. Gu Wenqi, 42 years old, is from Huludao City, Liaoning Province. In early 2002, he was sent from a labor camp to a psychiatric hospital where he was tortured for 11 months. After that he was sent back to the labor camp. At that time, he was unable to stand up on his own and was very emaciated. Shortly after his release, he was sentenced to five years in the Jinzhou City Prison in Liaoning Province. He was cruelly tortured there and became emaciated. During his imprisonment, he was injected with unknown drugs and then sent to a psychiatric hospital for further persecution. His feet and legs became very swollen and he became mentally disoriented.

Ms. He Xianggu, 47, a practitioner from Changsha City, is an operating room nurse at the Hunan Province Women and Children's Health Care Hospital. On April 23, 2008, Ms. He was arrested. On May 10, 2008, after she had been on a hunger strike for 17 days, the police forcibly injected her with an unknown drug. It is suspected that this drug is used to temporarily increase physical energy and allow the victim to pass the physical check-up in order to be admitted to a labor camp. They then sent her to the Baimalong Forced Labor Camp in Zhuzhou City. On July 10, 2008, she was transferred to the Hunan Province Brain Hospital (formerly known as the Hunan Province Mental Hospital). Her family is strictly prohibited from seeing her. Ms. He is still on a hunger strike to resist the persecution. She is extremely weak.

Ms. Li Dongqing, 46, lived in Shenyang City, Liaoning Province. On May 24, 2008, **Ms. Li Dongqing** was arrested and put into the Dongling District Mental Hospital in Shenyang. She was injected with drugs, which made her body turn black. Her leg veins protruded and turned black and thick, and she has suffered severe psychological damage. Ms. Li is in poor health and she has dropsy that is sometimes worse than at other times.

3. Injected or Forced Feed Nerve Damaging Drugs

Mr. Li Yiming, his brother **Mr. Li Yichang**, and his wife **Ms. Ning Xiuying** are residents of Luocheng County, Shouguang City, Shandong Province. On April 13, 2000, they were arrested and detained at a county detention center for 15 days. Ten days after they were released, the head of village, Sang Huidong along with Chen Denghe sent the Li brothers to the Beiluo Mental Hospital for further persecution. Ms. Ning was taken to the police station, where she was exposed to the hot sun during the day, and beaten at night; she was not given any food or water. She was tortured for nine days. Because she refused to renounce Falun Gong, she was then injected with drugs that disrupted her central nervous system. The torture continued for about half a month. Then she was sent to the Beiluo Mental Hospital for further persecution. At the hospital, the Li brothers and Ms. Ning were injected with drugs, which cause them to lose consciousness. They were injected with drugs and force-fed drugs orally three times per day. If they resisted the torture, they were beaten. The drugs affected them mentally, even causing them to knock their heads against the wall. They were injected until they could no longer move their

bodies. The authorities realized they would not last any longer, so they stopped the injections, but still force-fed the drug to them. They were tortured for three months. As a result, their heads were spinning, their eyes were dazed, they were absent-minded, and they could not walk with any coordination. They were released only after their mother paid a huge amount of money to the local government.

On June 10, 2008, seven police officers from Domestic Security Division of the Tanghai Public Security Bureau, Tangshan City, Hebei Province, broke into **Ms. Li Fengzhen's** house and sent her to the Ankang Hospital in Tangshan City. Ms. Li was injected with an unknown drug. In just two months she went from being a normal, healthy person to losing her memory. She became distraught, did not recognize the people with whom she was once familiar, and she became very thin. She couldn't stand, walk, or see clearly; she had pain in her ribs and she couldn't take care of herself.

Xu Dingguo was a 12 year-old boy from Pan County, Guizhou Province. His parents were both arrested and detained for practicing Falun Gong. His grandfather lost his memory and could not take care of himself because he was injected with nerve-damaging drugs during detention in 2000. Xu Dingguo died from a severe case of food poisoning after he ate something outside of his school.

Ms. Han Ming was an employee of the Pingshui Machinery Factory, located in Pingba County, Guizhou Province. Ms. Han Ming was detained twice and on February 28, 2001, she was sentenced to two years of forced labor. While detained in the Guizhou Province Women's Forced Labor Camp, she was injected with an unknown drug, which caused her entire body to suffer muscle atrophy. Her condition deteriorated and she died on March 20, 2003, at the young age of 30.

Ms. Liu Guoshu, 46 years of age, lived in Jiuyuan Town, Wanyuan City, Sichuan Province. On the evening of July 11, 2008, the police broke into her house, cruelly beat her and injected her with an unknown drug. This injection caused slowness of her mind and was extremely painful. On the morning of July 17, 2008, Ms. Liu was climbing from the second floor of her sister's house to the neighbor's house on a side street. Due to the effects of the drug, she fell to the sidewalk and died.

Ms. Zhang Wuying and her husband **Mr. Wu Dianhui** are from Changzhou City, Jiangsu Province. In February of 2000, the Changzhou Public Security Bureau arrested Mr. Wu. Although Mr. Wu and his wife were not mentally ill, upon his release from the detention center, the two were forcibly taken to the Changzhou Liberation Army's 102 Mental Hospital. Ms. Zhang was tied to the bed, injected with drugs and force-fed, even though she was over five months pregnant.

Mr. Li Xiaowen, 67, lived in Shuangliu County in Sichuan Province. In November 2007, he was arrested and taken to the Chengdu City Legal Education Center, a brainwashing center located in Xinjin County. He was tortured to the point of being in critical condition, and was released in March 2008. He had been having heavy bleeding ever since. At the

beginning of May 2008, Mr. Li passed out due to the bleeding, and died at the beginning of June 2008. Several dozen Falun Gong practitioners are currently detained in the Chengdu City Legal Education Center. All practitioners tortured there were forcibly injected with drugs that damage the central nervous system. They suffer severe symptoms of mental trauma. They all appear emaciated, stare into space, are in low spirits, have slow reflexes and speech, and their body functions are abnormal. Whether or not they give in to the brainwashing, they all have a long and hard time recovering. Thousands of practitioners have been tortured in this place over the past six years.

On September 4, 2004, **Ms. Yan Jingqiu**, 49 years old, from the North District in Qingdao City, Shandong Province, was sent to Wangcun Forced Labor Camp. She was injected with an unknown drug. Several guards held her on the couch in the guard's office. The doctor gave her an injection in her arm. Later she felt dizzy, lost control, and kept grabbing things. They locked her in the restroom, and she almost had a mental breakdown.

On April 19, 2002, **Ms. Gao Guofeng**, 53, a resident of Shuangcheng City, Heilongjiang Province, was arrested and detained at the Harbin City Police Department Seventh Division. She held a hunger strike to protest the detention and was brutally forced fed at the Wangjia Labor Camp Hospital. On June 6, 2002, she was injected with unknown drugs at the Wangjia Labor Camp Hospital, which caused her to become dizzy and weak.

Ms. Liu Dan, 31, graduated from Jiamusi University; she is from Jixi City, Heilongjiang Province. On October 28, 2005, Ms. Liu was sent to the No. 2 Detention Center in Jixi City, where her life was in danger twice. She was sent to the city hospital for emergency treatment and was fed via a tube inserted into her stomach. Later she was sent to a drug rehabilitation center, where she was injected with unknown drugs and force-fed until her life was in danger again. Ms. Liu's family was allowed to take her home on December 7.

Nearly **300 female Falun Gong practitioners** are currently detained at the Shandong Province Women's Prison, Jinan City, Shandong Province. They are forced to go through brainwashing sessions and are injected with a poisonous drug that harms the central nervous system. The ward authorities inhumanly exploit the practitioners to the worst extent. No matter how much they suffer, however, the ward authorities will not release them.

4. Poisonous Drugs in Food

Ms. Deng Shufen, in her 70s, was a farmer living in Chengdu City, Sichuan Province. On October 1, 2007, Ms. Deng was arrested and taken to the Chengdu City Legal Education Center (a brainwashing center) for 40 days. When she could not eat as a result of the severe mental and physical torture, they finally released her. She was as thin as a skeleton, and her eyes remained wide open for two months. She never recovered and died on May 5, 2008.

The Chengdu City Legal Education Center currently detains dozens of practitioners. The personnel use all sorts of methods to abuse them. The most vicious is the use of poison. First they hide it in the food to disrupt bodily functions. Then they claim the practitioner is sick and must be treated. Strong male guards hold the practitioners down and inject them with drugs that damage the central nervous system. Victims get headaches soon afterwards and become mentally disordered; they become frightened; their muscles and stomachs ache; they feel like their bodies are twisting; they hear or see things; and they suffer excruciating pain. All practitioners who have gone through brainwashing at the Legal Education Center have been severely damaged mentally. They all appear emaciated, stare into space, are in low spirits, have slow reflexes and speech, and their body functions are abnormal.

At the end of December 2005, **Ms. Meng Lijun** from Zhangqiu City, Shandong Province, was secretly sentenced to ten years in prison. Ms. Meng was sent to Shandong Province Women's Prison, Jinan City. It was not until March 2006 that her family was allowed to visit her in prison. She had swelling all over her body and suffered from amnesia. She didn't know how old her own child was and asked how a deceased relative was doing. She also didn't know how long she had been in prison. She kept asking the same questions over and over again, and cried from time to time. After each visit, she would wail for quite some time. The family learned that, after Ms. Meng was put in prison, the police continually tortured her. They put unknown drugs into her food and water. Later on she told her family that she didn't know if she could survive until her release date, but if she died, her family should find out why she had died. When her family questioned the police about why they used drugs on a healthy person, they didn't deny it and claimed that "she had a mental problem because of practicing Falun Gong and that she had contracted the mental illness before her imprisonment."

Mr. Xu Yong was an employee of the Pufang Corporation in Chibi City, Hubei Province. At the end of 2000, when he publicly spoke to stop the persecution of Falun Gong, police arrested him again and sent him to a forced labor camp. Right after his release, he was sent to the Psychiatric Department of the Pufang Hospital. Under orders from the police, doctors at the Pufang Hospital have injected Falun Gong practitioners with harmful psychotropic drugs. If the practitioners would refuse the injections, drugs would be mixed into their food. Mr. Xu was subjected to the worst torture allegedly because of his young age. Because of this treatment, Mr. Xu is now in a vegetative state.

5. Coercing Family Members to Intervene

No suitable cases found.

6. Torture and the Use of Poisonous Drugs

Ms. Zhao Jiafang, 64 years of age, lived on Songnan Street at the Songzao Coal Mine in Qijiang County, Chongqing City. In August 2001, she was arrested, sentenced to eight years and six months, and sent to the Yongchuan Labor Camp. At the labor camp Ms. Zhao was constantly forced to work overtime doing slave labor. She passed out three times in the camp. She was finally taken to the labor camp clinic, but after she was

injected with some unknown drugs, she appeared to have difficulty breathing. To avoid being held responsible for her death, the labor camp authorities released her for medical treatment on October 1, 2007. Her family immediately took her to the Coal Mine Employee Hospital, but she did not recover. She died at 3:40 a.m. on December 21, 2007.

Mr. Zhao Shouzhu, 38, lived in Bei'an Village, Yaobao Township, in Xinmin City of Liaoning Province. On the evening of March 31, 2008, Domestic Security officers from the Xinmin City Police Department arrested Mr. Zhao while he was passing out materials to expose the persecution. He was detained in the Xinmin City Detention Center where he went on a hunger strike. He was sent to Xinmin City Hospital and was brutally force-fed with unknown drugs. Since his condition became critical, on April 14, 2008, Mr. Zhao's family bailed him out. He was not able to recover and died several days later around April 20, 2008.

7. Brainwashing and Mental Disorder from the Torture

Mr. Wang Gensheng and his wife **Ms. Wang Xiumin**, from Beiliuzhi Village, Beiliuzhi Township, Jing County, Hebei Province, were repeatedly detained and tortured in local detention and brainwashing centers. Mr. Wang gave a personal testimony about how the Beiliuzhi Township authorities beat them and insulted them while forcing them to watch news about the ban on Falun Gong. Guards and inmates would frequently curse, beat, and physically abused them, while monitoring them constantly. After being released, the local police harassed them at their home and then detained them again at will. Due to the relentless persecution Ms. Wang suffered a mental collapse. At the Hengshui Brainwashing Center Mr. Wang was tortured to the point that he eventually agreed to sign the so-called "four statements" (to promise not to practice Falun Gong). Nevertheless, after being released he and his wife were detained again, at the Jing County Brainwashing Center, where Mr. Wang went on a hunger strike. Again he was tortured, forced to kneel down on bricks, and shocked with electric batons while handcuffed behind his back. Eventually the couple escaped and did not return to their hometown.

Ms. Liu Shuhua, in her 40s, was a resident of Chewang Village, Damoujia Town, Gaomi City, Shandong Province. Guards at the Shandong Province No. 2 Women's Forced Labor Camp (also known as Wangcun Women's Forced Labor Camp) in Zibo City instigated criminal inmates who were drug addicts to torture Ms. Liu. She was tortured so badly that she became mentally disordered. As a result, she keeps shaking and weeping. She mumbles nonsense and cannot sleep or even eat. She is in critical condition. Instead of sending her for treatment, the guards continue to find ways to persecute her.

Ms. Deng Yulian, 42, lived in Xiangxiang County, Hunan Province. In November 2004, She was then taken to the Baimalong Women's Forced Labor Camp in Zhuzhou City for an 18-month term. The tortures used at the Baimalong Forced Labor Camp are very cruel. In order to force practitioners to renounce Falun Gong, the camp administration ignores

basic human dignity and rights. They put straightjackets¹ on practitioners, inject them with nerve-damaging drugs, fasten them to the window frames, force-feed them, force them to balance on the legs of a small upside-down stool, etc. Under extreme mental and physical torture and pressure, some practitioners suffer nervous breakdowns. In April 2006, twenty days before Ms. Deng's term ended, Ms. Deng started coughing, her toes felt numb and cold, she had difficulty walking, her eyesight was blurry, and she lost her sense of taste. She became weaker each day, her muscles atrophied, and she became as thin as a skeleton. By February 2007, Ms. Deng Yulian was bedridden, could not eat at all, and was deformed beyond recognition. She died on March 12, 2007.

Mr. Wu Shihai was a teacher at the Zhaojue County Ethnic Middle School in Zhaojue County, Liangshan District, Sichuan Province. On January 15, 2003, he was sentenced to two years of forced labor and sent to Xinhua Forced Labor Camp. He was also taken to the No. 3 People's Hospital in Mianyang City. There, personnel administered nerve-damaging drugs both orally and by injection. Several unidentified drugs were used. Mr. Wu's reactions and movements slowed, his facial muscles became paralyzed, and he exhibited signs of reduced mental capacity. In April 2005, Mr. Wu was sentenced to a prison term and sent to Deyang Prison. He was so severely beaten that he was covered with bruises. He could hardly talk and had difficulty walking. He was cruelly tortured at roll calls. The guards verbally abused and humiliated him. He was dragged or carried in and out, held high in the air and then thrown to the ground. He was often starved, forced to wear handcuffs and shackles, and locked in a solitary cell. He was forced to sleep on the cold floor during the freezing winter. Eventually, he started to suffer from a mental disorder because of the torture he suffered. He could no longer take care of himself and lost his sensitivity to distinguish hot and cold temperatures. Currently Mr. Wu has become mentally disoriented and was on the brink of death. It is currently unknown whether or not he is still alive.

Ms. Li Huiyun, 43 years old, holds a PhD. degree and was a lecturer at Hebei University of Science and Technology. On February 24, 2004, Ms. Li and her husband were taken to the Hebei Capital Legal Education & Training Center for brainwashing. Within a few days, Ms. Li's arms were black and blue, her lower back hurt badly and her limbs were numb. The officials also tormented Ms. Li mentally. They forced her to read materials

¹ The straightjackets are made of fine canvas, and are put on the victim from the front and tightened from behind the back. The sleeves are about 10 inches longer than the victim's arms, with straps on them. The perpetrators force Falun Gong practitioners into the straightjackets, then pull their arms to their backs, and cross and tie their arms behind their backs. Then, they pull their arms up over their shoulders to their chest, tie up the practitioners' legs and hang them up in the air from windows. At the same time, they gag the practitioner's mouths with a cloth, put earphones in their ears, and continuously play messages that slander Falun Gong. According to an eyewitness account, people who suffer this torture quickly sustain broken arms, tendons, shoulders, wrists, and elbows. Those who have endured this torture for a long time have had broken spines, and died in agonizing pain.

that slandered Falun Gong and humiliated her with dirty words. They brainwashed her during the day and beat her all night. They refused to let her sit and made her continually stand upright. After one week of torture, they deprived her of sleep and use of the restroom. After a month of torture, in March 2004, Ms. Li suffered a mental collapse at the brainwashing center. However, she was continuously detained there for five more months and then sentenced to two years of forced labor. On August 19, 2004, Ms. Li was sent to the Psychiatry Department at the No. 1 Hospital Affiliated with Hebei Medical University, where she was diagnosed with schizophrenia. In September 2005, Ms. Li was injected with unknown drugs during her stay, which caused brain dysfunction and general weakness. She lost consciousness twice in one day.