Cases of Extrajudicial Execution of Falun Gong Practitioners in Dalian City, Liaoning Province

(Cases reported before October 15, 2001)

Summary

Since the persecution of Falun Gong by the Chinese government began on July 20, 1999, Dalian has become one of the most notorious places for its torture of Falun Gong practitioners and its utter disrespect of human life. The authority of Dalian City shamelessly takes pride for its being a "model city" for persecution of Falun Gong, and it has three of the worst torture camps to its disgrace: the Dalian Labor Camp, the Yaojia Detention Center, and the Zhoushuizi Labor Camp. In each of these torture camps, the guards openly claim that they have permission from Jiang Zemin (the former Chinese president) to beat Falun Gong practitioners to death at will with impunity. They threaten Falun Gong practitioners that the only way out is to give up their faith in Falun Gong, or "You will be slowly tortured to death and written off as suicide." As if that is still not enough a show of complete devoid of human nature, some of the guards claimed: "We are reincarnated little devil from the hell, and we are to beat you into hell as well." It is with this kind of mindset that the guards come up with any imaginable means to torture Falun Gong practitioners.

Instigated and encouraged by authorities from the Chinese central government to the local city government, the police of Dalian City also "export" to other cities their "experience" and "techniques" of "transforming" Falun Gong practitioners, and actively participate in "exchange programs" with other notorious torture camps such as Masanjia Labor Camp, Wanjia Labor Camp and Heizuizi Labor Camp to send their torture squads to each other's torture camps.

Reliable information from China indicates that, since July 1999, thousands of Falun Gong practitioners have suffered extreme torture at the hands of Dalian police. A large number of Falun Gong practitioners are still suffering daily torture in Dalian. Reports from Dalian describe a pattern of severe, unremitting, and the most horrifying abuse. Due to the information blockage by the Chinese government, no one knows the true toll of lives lost or persons subjected to extreme torture due to the persecution against Falun Gong in Dalian and in China. The following is only a partial list of victims of the extrajudicial execution committed by Dalian police and authority against Falun Gong practitioners that we do have detailed information of.

1. Liu Yonglai was Tortured to Death in the Dalian Labor Camp

Victim:

Liu Yonglai, male, 36, resident of Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrators:

1. Hao Wenshui, Head of the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
2. Zhang Baoling, Head of the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
3. Qiao Wei, the branch leader of the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
4. The prisoners including Jiao Bo, from Dalian city Shengli Road, Yu Yuanfei from Nushun city, Zhang Jiajun and Zhao Yong from Jinzhou all in the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
5. The guards of the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Liu Yonglai went to Beijing five times to appeal against the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners. He was detained six times before March 2001. The police threatened to have his brother fired if Yonglai went to Beijing again.

In March 2001 Liu Yonglai was arrested because he was distributing flyers to people telling them the truth about the persecution of Falun Gong. He was sent first to the Yaojia Detention Center and then sentenced to 3 years in the Dalian Labor camp.

On the second morning after Liu Yonglai was transferred to the Male Branch of the Dalian Labor Camp, he was brought to the fourth floor, which is where the guards torture Falun Gong practitioners until they renounce their belief in Falun Gong. Under orders

from the branch leader, Qiao Wei, the prisoners, including Jiao Bo from Dalian City, Shengli Road, Yu Yuanfei from Nushun City, Zhang Jiajun and Zhao Yong from Jinzhou and the guards tortured Yonglai consecutively for seven hours. Everyone in the building heard his miserable screams. He was seated on the "tiger bench", a torture device reserved for use on hardened criminals. He was strapped with a rope around his mouth and neck. He was then shocked simultaneously by eight electric batons with 720 volts on all the sensitive parts of his body including his face, ear and foot.

He eventually was tortured to the death in this way. On July 7, 2001, the Dalian Labor Camp notified Liu Yonglai's family that he had died. When he died, his mouth was wide open because of the rope strapped around him. His mouth was split open on both sides about 5cm. There were wounds all over his body because of the shocks from the eight electric batons. During Yonglai's detention, his wife Wang Yongmei was detained in the Yaojia Detention Center because she was mailing documents explaining the truth about the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners to the public, including information about her husband's case. Now their 14 years old son is left alone at home.

2. Chen Jiafu Died in the Dalian Labor Camp

Victim:

Chen Jiafu, male, 44, teacher of the Polytechnic School in Dalian city, resident of Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

1. Zhoushuizi Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
2. Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrators:

1. The Chief of the Zhoushuizi Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
2. Hao Wenshui, Head of the Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
3. Zhang Baoling, Chief of Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Chen Jiafu went several times to Beijing to appeal for Falun Gong. On April 14, 2000, Chen was arrested and sent to the Zhoushuizi Labor Camp in Dalian City. He was detained in the Dalian Labor Camp in October 1999, where he was forced to do the heaviest job, fetching bricks. After March 2001, he was locked up in the small cell until the date he was tortured to death, July 1, 2001.

News Reports:

1. FALUN GONG SENDS OUT "SOS" FOLLOWING FOUR MORE DEATHS IN CUSTODY, Newsgroups: humanities.philosophy.objectivismView: Date: 2001-07-09 18:43:06 PST
2. FALUN GONG SENDS OUT "SOS" FOLLOWING FOUR MORE DEATHS IN CUSTODY (7/6/01 09:00)
http://groups.google.com/groups?q=insubject:falun+insubject:gong&start=30&hl=en&as_drrb=b&as_mind=29&as_minm=4&as_miny=2000&as_maxd=14&as_maxm=10&as_maxy=2001&rnum=40&selm=9idmj0%249cr%241%40watserv3.uwaterloo.ca

1. 3. Wang Qiuxia was Tortured to Death at Zhoushuizi Labor Camp

Victim:

Wang Qiuxia, female, 48, resident of Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

Zhoushuizi Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrators:

1. 1. Policemen from the ZhouShuizi Police Substation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province
2. The Chief of the ZhouShuizi Police Substation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Wang, Qiuxia was detained on October 1, 2000, and sent to the Dalian Drug Rehabilitation Center in Dalian City. Wang was then sent to the Yaojia Detention Center and later to the Zhoushuizi Labor Camp. During her detention in Zhoushuizi, Wang Qiuxia endured a series of tortures and beatings. On June 9, Wang was beaten and tortured until around noon, at which time, she was hovering on the brink of death. Wang

Qiuxia was immediately sent to the hospital. She died while on her way there. Wang's head was swollen and had become misshapen. In addition, both of her legs were swollen. Her entire body turned dark purple from the injuries.

4. Wang Youju was Tortured to Death at the Wafangdian Detention Center

Victim:

> **Wang Youju**, female, 64, former principal of the Wafangdian hygienic school, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

> The Wafangdian Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrator:

> The Chief of the Wafangdian Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

On July 22, 2000, **Wang Youju** was arrested by the Gongji local police station and sent to the Wafangdian Detention Center. Wang was forced to work long hours every day. She was not allowed to sleep if she didn’t finish the assignment. When Wang Youju was released from the Wafangdian Detention Center on July 31, she was very weak. She even began to shiver while signing the release form. Wang reported that her heart felt uncomfortable. She could not even stand up. An ambulance came as a result and the doctor gave her emergency treatment in the detention center. That night, Wang died.

5. Zou Wenzhi Died at the Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation

Victim:

> **Zou Wenzhi**, male, 54, resident of Jiuli, Jinzhou District, Dalian City; employee of the Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

Location of Torture and Death:

The Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrators:

1. 1. Major leaders of the Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

2. The Chief of the security division at the Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

A Brief Report of the Incident:

On October 16, 2000, the security division of the Dalian Chemical Industry Group Corporation arrested **Zou Wenzhi**. On that same day his family was informed that he died. When Zhou's family examined the body, they found that his ribs were broken, one of his kneecaps was crushed and there were severe bruises on his face and all over his body. Around 3pm that afternoon, his body was sent to the mortuary at the company hospital.

News Reports:

1. "Six Falun Gong Members Reported Dead in Chinese Police Detention," Agence France Presse (AFP), BEIJING, October 30, 2000

2. "China: Torture and Deaths Continue," Amnesty International Dublin Central Group News, ACTIVE, December 2000

6. Dong Yongwei was Tied on an Iron Chair for Several Days and Tortured to Death in Lushunkou District Detention Center

Victim:

Dong Yongwei, male, resident of Dalongtang Village, Longtang Town, Lushunkou District, Dalian City, Liaoning Province; director of both the Dalongtang Latex Factory and the Chenglong Hard Plastic and Bottle Lid Factory, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

Location of Torture and Death:

Lushunkou District Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

Perpetrators:

1. 1. Sun, male, policeman, Lushunkou Branch of the Dalian police station, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

2. Zhang Henghai, policeman, Lushunkou Branch of Dalian police station, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.
3. The Chief of the Lushunkou Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

A Brief Report of the Incident:

At about 8:00 pm of July 21, 2000, **Dong Yongwei** was sent to the Lushunkou District Detention Center by Sun and Zhang Henghai and another policeman. Dong was forced to sit in an iron chair with both hands handcuffed for several days in the Lushunkou District Detention Center. At 11:30am on August 2, Dong was released from the detention center. There were bloodstains on his white shirt. That night, Dong had a fever and experienced a severe, unceasing pain. At noon the next day, he was sent to the No. 210 Hospital in Dalian city. The doctor there couldn't find his pulse and thus had no way to measure his blood pressure when he checked in. An hour later, less than 24 hours after he was released from the detention center, Dong passed away.

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7. Chi Yulian Died in Yaojia Detention Center

Victim:

Chi Yulian, female, 44, a resident of Wangjia Villige, Lingshui Town, Ganjinzi District, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

Location of Torture and Death:

Yaojia Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

Perpetrators:

1. The Chief of the Yaojia Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.
2. Ji, Lingshui Police Substation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.
3. A policeman from the Zhoushuizi Police Substation, Dalian City, Liaoning Province.

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Chi Yulian was arrested by police officer Ji from the Lingshui Police Substation and a policeman from the Zhoushuizi Police Substation on the afternoon of May 29, 2001. The next day, Chi was sent to the Yaojia Detention Center. At 4:00pm on June 5, she died on the way to Xinshiji Hospital.

News Reports:

1. AFP, "Falun Gong member dies in police detention in northeast China", June 15, 2001
2. Press Statement: The Death of Mrs. Yulian Chi in a Chinese Detention Center FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 6/14
3. http://sg.news.yahoo.com/010615/1/xucb.html
4. http://minghui.ca/mh/articles/2001/6/17/12193.html

8. Zeng Xianmei was Beaten to Death in the Xigang District Branch of Dalian Police Station

Victim:

Zeng Xianmei, female, 63, a resident of Lushunkou District, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

Xigang District Branch of the Dalian Police Station, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrators:

Chief of the Xigang District Branch of the Dalian Police Station, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Zeng Xianmei was arrested by several policemen from the Xigang District Branch of Dalian Police Station on the morning of August 9, 2001. On the afternoon of August 14, 2001, her family was notified that she died. Though her head was wrapped in gauze, a bloodstain the size of a fist was visible near her cerebellum, indicating that there was an injury there. Protruding black bruises covered her right eye. In addition, there was a round black and blue injury about 1 to 2 cm in diameter under her lower jaw, and another one about 2 or 3 cm inside the middle of her lip. A large area of Zeng's right shoulder was covered with bruises and some of her skin had worn off in the middle. There were also bruises and injuries on her right costal (rib) area, as well as on the left side of her waist and on her right hip. The backs of her hands were also badly swollen. There was a wound on her lower left leg that was covered with gauze and blood. The backs of her feet were also swollen and covered with small cuts.

News Reports:

1. AFP: Five female Falungong followers tortured to death in China
2. BBC: Falun Gong women die in detention

9. Yu Lixin was Beaten to Death at the Dalian City Detention Center

Victim:

Yu Lixin, female, 27, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

The Dalian City Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrator:

The Director of the Dalian City Detention Center, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Yu Lixin was detained in the Dalian City Detention Center. On the evening of April 15, 2001, she was forced to stand with her hands clasped behind her head and, at the same time, bow down at a 90-degree angle. Yu was beaten and kicked and she was shocked with an electric baton on the back of her neck. In addition, there were bruises all over her body. On the early morning of April 16, 2001, Yu was forced to clean a room on the fifth

floor. All of the rooms in the detention center had iron parapets enclosing the windows except for the room that Yu Lixin was required to clean. Yu Lixin was seen falling from the window shortly afterwards. The fall killed her.

10. Sun Lianxia Died of Torture and Force Feeding during Detention

Victim:

Sun Lianxia, female, 50, employed as a doctor of Dalian 5th Construction Company, resident of Apartment No. 8, 17th floor, Building No. 227, Yongping Street, Shahekou District, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Location of Torture and Death:

Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrator:

Chief of Dalian Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

Sun Lianxia was detained in the Dalian Labor Camp. She went on a hunger strike with other practitioners to protest the detention. Over 70 practitioners were force-fed and all had severe reactions. Some of them vomited profusely. Some had bloody diarrhea. They all had blood running down from their noses and mouths because of the cruel fashion in which they were force-fed.

Sun and others were continuously being force-fed twice per day while they were on hunger strike. During the hunger strike period, Sun and others were forced to run and do heavy labor. After the work, they were forced to sit on small benches with their hands on their backs.

As of December 25, Sun Lianxia and 10 other practitioners had been on hunger strike for 9 days. On January 16, 2001, Sun died of torture in Dalian Labor Camp.

11. A Young Female Falun Gong Practitioner was Beaten and Subsequently Died in Zhoushuizi Labor Camp

Victim:

No Name, female, young

Location of Torture and Death:

Zhoushuizi Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

Perpetrator:

Hao, Chief of Dalian Zhoushuizi Labor Camp, Dalian City, Liaoning Province

A Brief Report of the Incident:

In March 2001, guards in Zhoushuizi Labor Camp beat this female practitioner and other Falun Gong practitioners. On April 5, 2001, she died from continuous beating.