

Handbook of Falun Gong Issue

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I . The Basics of Falun Gong

1. The origin of Falun Gong issue

In the early 1990s, Falun Gong came into emergence in China and gradually evolved into a cult.

Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, claims Falun Gong to be the “law of universe” and the “most extraordinary science,” boasting himself as the greatest scientist in history.

In fact, Falun Gong was concocted by Li Hongzhi. In 1988, Li worked as a staff member in a state-owned grain and oil supply company in Changchun, Jilin Province. He learned from others two Qigong practices: the Chanmi Gong (Practice of Zen and Tantrism) and the Jiugong Bagua Gong. Later on Li combined these two Qigong practices with some dancing movements he learned from Thailand and created Falun Gong.

At the beginning, Li Hongzhi lured people into practicing Falun Gong in the name of “keeping fit”; then he exercised mind control over his followers by planting in ideas such as “the Doomsday,” “Reaching Consummation and ascending to heaven,” etc; by and by, Falun Gong developed into a cult.

Before December 1994, Li Hongzhi portrayed himself as a Qigong master who possessed supernatural powers. He taught people Qigong and, at the same time, “sent out Gong to cure illness” – to cure diseases for patients with his “magical inner powers.” The money he raked was actually a small fortune at that time.

In December 1994, Li Hongzhi published his book called *Zhuan Falun*. And it was considered the turning point in the evolution of Falun Gong.

Li Hongzhi thus transmogrified himself from a Qigong master to “the greatest Buddha of the universe.” *The Introduction to Li Hongzhi* compiled by the Falun Gong

organization states: “At age 8, Li Hongzhi learned the essence of Buddhism and attained the supernatural powers of telekinesis, the ability to mend things, controlled thinking and the ability to become invisible. He understands the truth of the universe, has insights into life and can see both the past and future.”

Falun Gong thus evolved from Qigong to “universe’s Dafa” (great law) wherein, as explained by Li Hongzhi, “among all the theories in the world, it is the most intricate and extraordinary science.” The practice purpose of Falun Gong followers thus elevated from within the temporal sphere of physical health to a means of escaping from earthly woes to eternal life on another plane thereafter – as Buddha, Dao and God.

In order to “reach Consummation,” Li Hongzhi asked his followers to neglect life and death, “If you can let go of life and death, you’re a God; if you can’t let go of life and death, you’re a human.” Bewitched by Li’s heresies, many Falun Gong practitioners rejected medical help when they became ill and some died as a result. Some even committed suicide or murder to obtain Consummation. Before the official ban on Falun Gong in July 1999, more than 1,400 people died of practicing Falun Gong.

At that time, Falun Gong simply considered itself “second to none,” and was reluctant to hear any negative comments. Some press media and scholars faced endless troubles just because they had raised doubts about Falun Gong: the media were besieged, and the scholars cursed and harassed by Falun Gong practitioners. On April 25, 1999, thousands of mobbed Falun Gong practitioners even enveloped Zhongnanhai – a complex of buildings where top Chinese leaders both live and work in Beijing. The demonstration, disrupting social order and stability, shocked the nation and the whole world.

After the founding of Falun Gong in 1992, Li Hongzhi set up the Falun Dafa Research Society in Beijing and he himself acted as president of the Society. Later on, Li set up 39 general stations nationwide with 1,900 tutorial stations under them, and

28,000 practicing spots under these tutorial stations. Thus, a complete from top to bottom organizational system of Falun Gong was formed. Although these organizations were not registered according to law at civil affairs departments, they widely spread Falun Gong fallacies and engaged in illegal activities such as cheating, swindling money out of practitioners.

In July 1999, the Chinese government, on the basis of the fact that Falun Gong violated the law, officially banned Falun Gong according to law in the interest of the mass public.

After the official ban, Li Hongzhi continues attempting to exercise remote spiritual control over his followers from overseas. And his Falun Gong organization still engages in illegal activities: they wantonly cook up and spread rumors, infringe upon public interest, and stage cultic as well as anti-China farces.

2. General description of Falun Gong

Falun Gong is a cult that originated from some parts of China in the early 1990s. Its founder Li Hongzhi fabricated cultic heresies to exercise extreme spiritual control over his followers to commit a lot of monstrous crimes, violating laws and regulations.

Cultic fallacies are the primary means used by Li to mentally control his followers, which are the direct causes of many atrocities committed by Falun Gong disciples.

For example, Li Hongzhi claims that the earth has been destroyed 81 times and he is the only one who can stop the destruction of the earth; that the earth is but the garbage dump of the universe, the only way out is to practice Falun Gong; that Falun Gong followers would be hampered by religions and they should not convert to any religion; that everything is pre-arranged by himself and even the Holocaust during the World War II was brought about by the change of celestial phenomena; that when the cultivators feel uncomfortable somewhere in their bodies it isn't sickness, and they should not go to see a doctor or take medicine. Li says that, to practice Falun Gong

one should give up everything: “If you can let go of life and death, you’re a God,” that those against cultivation are all demons, “the wretched demons just deserve to be killed”; that even if the practitioners hurt their relatives, they can repay the victims much more after ascending to Heavens in the future; that the Falun Dafa is above everything including all human laws. Li Hongzhi also demands, by intimidation or threats, that all Falun Gong practitioners recite his scriptures and obey his orders.

Killing people is the major crime committed by Falun Gong. Under the spiritual control of Li Hongzhi, more than 1,000 Falun Gong practitioners lost their lives because they refused to take medicine or see a doctor, believing in the fallacy that Falun Gong practitioners should not take medicine when fell ill; several hundred practitioners committed suicide; and over 30 innocent people were killed by Falun Gong fanatics. A typical example is the Tian’anmen Square self-immolation incident: On January 23, 2001, seven Falun Gong practitioners set themselves on fire at the Tian’anmen Square in order to achieve “Consummation,” resulting in two deaths and three disabled because of serious injuries. On September 4, 1998, Ma Jianmin, a Falun Gong practitioner from Shandong Province, killed himself by cutting open his belly in order to seek for the “wheel of law” which Li Hongzhi claimed was installed in the abdomen of each Falun Gong practitioner. Zhang Zhiqin, a practitioner from Liaoning Province, suffered from diabetes. After practicing Falun Gong, she rejected medical treatment in the hope that her illness would be cured by reading Li Hongzhi’s books and listening to his tapes. Soon Zhang’s conditions worsened and died as a result. From May 25 to June 26, 2003, a Falun Gong follower named Chen Fuzhao killed 16 people by poisoning in order to “enhance his Gong powers.” Of all the victims, 15 were beggars or junkmen, and one was a Buddhist.

Harming the public interest is another crime committed by Falun Gong. Falun Gong openly tramples on the international norms, frequently attacking civil communication satellites. According to incomplete statistics, since June 2002, Falun

Gong has attacked Chinese communication satellites for more than 200 times with a total time amounted to over 100 hours. Falun Gong openly instigates its members to attack public infrastructure for radio and TV broadcasting. There have been more than 100 cases so far, of which the Falun Gong members are involved in sabotaging optical fiber cables and grafting in the cultic TV programs. Instigative articles on attacking communication cables can easily be found on Falun Gong websites. They have formed special sabotaging groups such as the “fax team” and the “telephone team” etc, systematically engaged in large-scale harassment and intimidation activities. Sending out junk e-mails is another way of harming the public interest. Falun Gong openly admits on its websites that from January to February 2004, they have made over 8 million harassing phone calls. Incomplete statistics indicate that the monthly junk e-mails sent out by Falun Gong from overseas to Mainland China amounted to over 30 million. What’s more, Falun Gong is still committing these crimes up to now.

Falun Gong viciously attacks organizations and people that hold different views, infringing upon people’s freedom of speech. Before the official ban on Falun Gong, tragedies caused by the cult had already been revealed to the public by journalists, scientists, teachers as well as figures from the religious circles. They demonstrated many refutable facts that practicing Falun Gong may cause death, mental disorder as well as family breakup. Falun Gong members were thrown into a panic by these reports. They cursed scientists, besieged media organs, and frequently made harassment against those who held different views from them. According to statistics, Falun Gong staged dozens of siege against media and press nationwide a few years before it was outlawed. While besieging and attacking Chongqing Daily press, Falun Gong practitioners threatened: If the press refused to apologize, they would destroy the unit with floods or even destroy the whole world before the due date preset by Li Hongzhi. Now readers may still come across the long list of “evil persons” on Falun Gong websites. Celebrities such as famous

scientists Zhuang Fenggan and Pan Jiazheng, religious leaders such as the bishop Fu Tieshan, master Sheng Hui etc, are all blacklisted on the internet simply because they have ever criticized Falun Gong. They are systematically molested by harassing phone calls, and their personal safety under serious threatening.

Falun Gong becomes a political organization with cultic characteristics. In recent years Falun Gong systematically puts forward political appeals, energetically stirs up troubles outside China and actively stages various kinds of anti-China activities, instigating its followers to overthrow the Chinese government. In order to tarnish the image of the People's Republic of China, Falun Gong draws in foreign politicians by trap and lies, encouraging them to speak ill of China and driving wedges between China and other countries.

The Chinese government firmly believes that most practitioners were taken in and are victims. And for them the policy of the government is to carry out persuasion, education and redemption. The Chinese government and people from all walks of life work together, helping most practitioners to shake off the spiritual shackles of Falun Gong. It reflects the Chinese government's will to protect human rights of its citizens including most Falun Gong practitioners. The Chinese government and society at large are sincere, responsible and successful in caring and helping those indulged in Falun Gong. Under the help of the government and society for these years, most practitioners have already seen through the true color of Falun Gong, and broke away with the spiritual control of the cult, and now are living a normal life. They have established normal social and family relations, some become experts in making a fortune and some even become volunteers helping and educating people with their own experiences. According to statistics, over 98% of the practitioners have already shaken off the spiritual shackles of Falun Gong. And after converting, they are not discriminated, but have received certain favor treatments in their work and living since they have become quite vulnerable as a result of practicing Falun Gong.

Only a few Falun Gong core members have been punished according to law by

the judicial organs simply because they have engaged in criminal activities violating law rather than practicing Falun Gong. The allegation of these people being persecuted is groundless.

Now to cover up the evil features of Falun Gong, a handful of Falun Gong backbones headed by Li Hongzhi are spreading rumors in the United States and other places that the Chinese government cruelly persecutes Falun Gong practitioners. Li Hongzhi and his diehards also try to whitewash their images with new tricks: They label themselves people in pursuit of “Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance,” and decorate their masks with “traditional Chinese culture.” Yet regardless of how hard they try, no amount of sophistry can deny what Li Hongzhi has said to over two million practitioners and the crimes they committed in China. In fact, most countries as well as all the honest persons around the world maintain that Falun Gong is a cult and regard the ban on it by Chinese government as justified – except a handful of people who have ulterior motives and try to make use of the cult for their own ends.

3. China’s stance on the issue of Falun Gong

The China government’s policy towards Falun Gong is, to unify, educate and redeem the majority of Falun Gong practitioners who have been deceived by Li Hongzhi and his Falun Gong, and to punish, according to law, the few Falun Gong members who have committed crimes.

To this end, the governments at all levels show the utmost tolerance and patience, help the majority of Falun Gong practitioners to break ties with the cult without any discrimination or exclusion against them. As a result, most of the practitioners in China are now living a normal life.

Here are some examples.

Zhu Xiuzhi, female, was an assistant principal mistress of a primary school in Jiutai City, Jilin Province. She began to practice Falun Gong in 1997, went to Beijing twice to stir up troubles, and was sent to “reeducation through labor” camp on charges

of disrupting the social order. With the kind help from the society as well as from cadres and policemen of the prison, Zhu Xiuzhi has eventually shaken off the spiritual shackles of Falun Gong. She joined the “Jilin Volunteers’ Mission for Educating and Converting Falun Gong Practitioners,” helping and educating other obsessed Falun Gong followers with her own experience. Now Zhu is still serving as a teacher at school.

Chen Bin, male, was born in 1945, former director of the Shaanxi Light Industry Association Office. In June 1996, he started to practice Falun Gong with the hope of keeping fit, and took the position of counsellor at Falun Gong practicing spot in Xi’an Jiaotong University. After the official ban on Falun Gong, Chen frequently stirred up troubles illegally. In December 2000, he was sent to “reeducation through labor” camp on charges of illegally printing Falun Gong propaganda materials. In 2001, Chen Bin broke away from Falun Gong because of the kind help and effective education from society and the Party. After the converting, Chen wrote articles which amounted to 150,000 Chinese characters to expose and denounce the cult, successfully helped nearly one hundred obsessed Falun Gong practitioners breaking ties with it. And now Chen Bin has become a famous anti-cult figure in China.

Wang Jindong, male, born in January 1951, Kaifeng City of Henan Province, began to practice Falun Gong in 1996. On January 23, 2001, Wang and several other Falun Gong practitioners went to Beijing, set themselves on fire at Tian’anmen Square, resulting in two deaths and three serious disabled. On August 17, 2001 he was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment and deprived of political rights for three years. After the self-immolation incident, the Chinese government and the Party provided Wang with medical treatment, bringing him out of danger. After long and patient persuasion, education and redemption, Mr. Wang came to realize that he was taken in by Li Hongzhi and his cult. He got out of the cultic entrapment with the help of the society, and wrote the book *Blindness, Death and Rebirth*, telling people about his nightmare story and denouncing the cult Falun Gong.

Above all, China is a law-ruled country. No one or organization is allowed to go

beyond or even violate the law. A handful of Falun Gong key members are punished according to law by judicial organs simply because they have engaged in criminal activities in violation of Chinese laws rather than practicing Falun Gong.

Here are two cases.

Zhou Runjun and others sabotaged TV broadcasting facilities. On March 5, 2002, Zhou Runjun, Liu Weiming, Liang Zhenxing, Liu Chengjun, Zhang Wen and other Falun Gong diehards cut off the main cables connecting the TV networks in Changchun City and Songyuan City respectively during evening after long time plotting and investigation. They broke off the normal cable TV programs and grafted in Falun Gong propaganda contents with VCD devices. The 15 defendants concerned, including Zhou Runjun, were sentenced to 4 to 14 years imprisonment according to law, the Changchun Intermediate People's Court ruled at an open court session on September 20, 2002.

Li Xiangchun sabotaged TV broadcasting facilities. On October 22, 2002, Li Xiangchun (also named Chuck Lee, a PhD, male), an American Chinese was caught red-hand on spot by Chinese police in Yangzhou City, Jiangsu Province. Li was set to cut in the local cable TV network and broadcast some Falun Gong programs. The policemen hunted him down and seized a complete set of graft-in devices including a peeling knife, a pair of shears, a mini cutting machine, and a set of multifunction knife and scissors. On March 21, 2003, Li Xiangchun was sentenced by the Yangzhou Intermediate People's Court to three years in jail plus banishment.

4. Why Falun Gong is a cult

Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, boasts to be the sovereign Savior.

The Introduction to Li Hongzhi compiled by the Falun Gong organization states: "At age 8, Li Hongzhi learned the essence of Buddhism and attained the supernatural powers of telekinesis, the ability to mend things, control thinking and the ability to become invisible...He understands the truth of the universe; has insights into life and

can see both the past and future.” Li Hongzhi claimed in his major work *Zhuan Falun* that he has “an extremely powerful gong,” called “the Great Soul-Catching Method” which “can pull out a person’s whole master soul.”

Li Hongzhi said, “I have truly done something that no one ever did in the past by teaching a greater fundamental Dafa (great law) of the universe.” “However, as for these theories, you may have either read all the books in the world or studied all the subjects on earth, you still cannot acquire them.” (*Lecture in Sydney* – **Editor’s notes**: Quotations below all come from Li Hongzhi’s works unless otherwise specified)

Li claims to be the sovereign God whose Fa powers are thousands of times stronger than that of Sakyamuni and Jesus Christ; and Falun Gong is the only upright Fofa that can “bring people to Paradise.” He said he “has done something nobody did in the past,” and “has taught people the more powerful Fa of the universe,” “has left man a ladder to heaven – *Zhuan Falun*.”

“Right now I’m the only person in the world who is publicly spreading a true teaching. I have done something that’s never been done by anyone before.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“You shouldn’t call a student (a disciple) who spreads Falun Dafa ‘teacher,’ or ‘master,’ or whatnot. There’s only one master (Editor’s notes: Li Hongzhi) in Dafa. It doesn’t matter how early on someone took up the practice, he’s still a disciple.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

Li Hongzhi claims that he can “remake” any species on earth and even create a new earth. “What I do today is for the purpose of rectifying humankind and the substances of the entire earth – I can do all of this.” Li further explains, “How can the earth be preserved? Just as with your practice of cultivation, as your bodies are being transformed, so is the new earth being made.” (*Teaching the Fa at the first Fa Conference in North America*)

Li says, “While I just sit here I can see things in Beijing, things in the United States, or things on the other side of the world. Some people can not understand all

this, from the science point of view they can not understand...In that field's dimension, at a person's forehead there's a mirror, and for people who don't practice Qigong it faces away from them, while for people who do practice Qigong it's turned toward them. When a person's Remote Vision is about to come out it starts spinning." (*Zhuan Falun*)

In March 2002, Li Hongzhi said in *Touring North America to Teach the Fa* that: "No matter how large the cosmos is, it's still not as large as I am." "Perhaps when the cosmos is no more, only I am there." "No being knows who I am; I do not know who I am." "Yet without me, the cosmos wouldn't exist."

He claimed: "I have numerous Fashen who look the same as me. They are in another dimension, so of course they can become large or small. They can become very large or very small." (*Lecture in Sydney*)

He even said: "Each word in this book (*Zhuan Falun*) has my Fashen, every word is the image of my Fashen and every word is the image of a Buddha. I have numerous Fashen, which cannot be calculated by numbers...No matter how many people there are, I can take care of all of them, and I can take care of the entire mankind." (*Lecture in Sydney*)

Li Hongzhi concocts a set of cultic doctrines to take followers in and swindles money out of them by exercising spiritual control.

At the inception, Li Hongzhi collected money by ways of teaching people Qigong and "sending out Gong to cure diseases" – claiming he could help patients by removing their sickness with his "magical power." Li charged a fee for the treatment at a rate of dozens yuan to hundreds yuan if the patient wanted Li to "send out Gong" for him alone. Li also held training seminars, a ticket for such seminars was sold at the price of RMB 30 to 50. Altogether Li held in Mainland China 56 terms of the "Fa teaching classes" or "training seminars," collecting a total sum of RMB 2,840,000 plus.

Later on, Li's "magical power" frequently failed to show any effects, so he demanded his followers pay more attention to "study the Fa" or to read his books, and promised that by "studying the Fa" his followers could improve health and even become gods or Buddhas. Before the official ban on Falun Gong in July 1997, Li

Hongzhi illegally published 21 kinds of pamphlets and books similar to *Zhuan Falun* which was described as “guidance to practitioners in their cultivation.” The bulk of Li Hongzhi’s adherents bought all 21 of his books, along with their meagerly revised editions. In addition, pictures of Li Hongzhi, video and audio tapes of Li’s lectures, and even the meditation mats that in connection with the worship of Li, were all recommended to Falun Gong practitioners. According to statistics, the average cost for each practitioner to buy books and articles mentioned-above was over 300 yuan.

According to police source, from 1992 to 1999 and in the name of “Falun Dafa Research Society,” Li Hongzhi and his cultic organization edited, published and marketed a tremendous amount of Falun Gong publications and relevant articles. A total of RMB 135,000,000 was collected and the net profit amounted to RMB 42,290,000.

These excluded the donation. Obsessed Falun Gong followers donated an awful of money to Li Hongzhi, not to the organization.

Falun Gong commits monstrous crimes in violation of human rights in Mainland China.

Incomplete statistics indicate that, by April 12, 2000, there were 2,365 Falun Gong practitioners who have turned themselves into victims of the cult as a result of their crazing for Falun Gong: 1,559 of them died of suicide or rejecting medical treatment; 651 suffered from mental disorders; 11 killed others; and 144 became disabled.

On January 23, 2001, seven Falun Gong practitioners, at the request of Li Hongzhi that “let go of life and death,” set themselves on fire at the Tian’anmen Square, resulted in two deaths and three disabled because of serious injuries.

From May 25 to June 27, 2003, an obsessed Falun Gong follower named Chen Fuzhao killed 16 people with rat toxicant in order to “enhance his Gong powers.” Of all the victims, 15 were junkmen or beggars, and one was a Buddhist.

Falun Gong illegally attacks people who hold different views.

From June 1 to 3, 1998, the *Qilu Evening News* press in Shandong Province was illegally besieged by over 3,000 Falun Gong practitioners because the newspaper had published *Take a Look at What's Going on with Falun Gong* and other two articles exposing the cult.

According to incomplete statistics, before the official ban on Falun Gong in July 1999, dozens of media organizations came under organized attacks by Falun Gong practitioners because they published articles or put on programs exposing and denouncing Falun Gong. These media organizations included: Guangming Daily, Beijing TV Station, Liaoning Daily, Nanfang Daily, China Youth Daily, Health News Digest, Fuzhou Daily, Xiamen Daily, Qilu Evening News, Hefei Evening News, Chongqing Daily, Chengdu Business Review, Cangzhou Daily, Science Review for Juvenile, and Qiantang Evening News etc.

Today, over 50,000 people including celebrities from scientific and religious circles like Zhuang Fenggan, Pan Jiazheng, Fu Tieshan and Sheng Hui are all blacklisted on Falun Gong websites.

In addition, Falun Gong established a special organization called "World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong" or WOIPFG, systematically harassed or threatened people and organizations which supported the ban on Falun Gong or those simply expressed different opinions. Main targets of WOIPFG included Chinese government officials at all levels, religious circles such as China Buddhist Association and China Islamic Association, media and their journalists from Xinhua News Agency and Phoenix TV Station, etc. Popular figures such as singer Li Guyi, actors Zhao Benshan, Fan Wei and late actress Gao Xiumin were also blacklisted. Famous companies such as Yahoo, Google, Microsoft, and the European Communication Satellite Corporation were all under its attacks. Even judges from Singapore were also harassed by WOIPFG, their personal safety under threats.

The religious circles declare Falun Gong to be a cult.

The international Buddhist circles firmly believe that Falun Gong is a cult.

On May 19, 2000, the United International World Buddhism Association Headquarters held a World Forum on Buddhism, Buddhist Studies and Buddha Dharma Uprightness in Taiwan. The Forum determined Li Hongzhi was a preacher of cult, and the so-called Fofa Li Hongzhi boasted was out and out a heresy.

In April 2006, the 23rd Conference of the World Fellowship of Buddhists (WFB) held in Taiwan passed “Ten Declarations” which clearly included the following “Stick to the upright religions. Oppose Falun Gong which damages Buddhism by pirating the term Falun (Wheel of Law).” The Conference also called on Buddhists around the world to “face up to and denounce the cult Falun Gong jointly.”

On May 10, 2006, the International Day of Vesak World Buddhist Conference (UNDV) held in Thailand reiterated in the joint communique: “The Conference confirms that Falun Gong contradicts the basic doctrine of Buddhism.”

In addition to the Buddhist circle, the Christianity, Catholicism and Taoism, etc, all condemn Falun Gong.

In 2007, the Christian magazine *Church and Heresy* in South Korean published three journals consecutively, declaring Falun Gong to be a cult. The magazine pointed out that Falun Gong was a non-belief cult much more dangerous than any other criminal organizations.

Facts proved time and again that the Falun Gong organization, headed by Li Hongzhi, was an anti-science, anti-humanity and anti-society cult through and through. It deified Li Hongzhi and repelled other religions, spread cultic heresies and brought harm to society, much more vicious than any other cults outside China.

The international cultic study experts declare Falun Gong to be a cult.

Margaret Thaler Singer, former president of American Psychological Association (APS), psychology professor at the University of California, Berkeley, thought Falun Gong surely meets the criteria of being a cult by American or world standards. The

leader has people instead of worshiping God or abstract principles, they worship him. It makes Falun Gong visible as these years, one more of them, thousands of cults.

In December 2001, Herbert Rosedale, president of American Family Foundation (AFF) made a speech at the annual academic meeting of China Association for Cultic Studies held in Beijing, declaring Falun Gong to be a cult.

Professor Bergin, head of the Russian National Research Institute of Religious Relation and Law, says that Falun Gong's attitude toward the Chinese government and other religious groups, its imputation and impact on traditional religious values, as well as what Falun Gong had done against himself, made him firmly believe that Falun Gong was an extreme cult organization.

Professor Alexander Dvorkin, president of the Russian Association of Religious and Cultic Studies Centers, thinks Falun Gong now is a worldwide cult group under the leadership of Li Hongzhi, headquartered in New York. It is not important where the Falun Gong practitioners live, for instance in China, France, the United States or other countries. As far as the Falun Gong practitioners are concerned, they do not belong to any country, they all belong to Falun Gong group.

An international roundtable "Information Extremism: The Truth and Falsehood of Falun Gong Cult" held on October 13 to 14, 2008, in Kiev, Ukraine. More than 30 scholars or representatives from seven countries, comprising the United States, Austria, Russia, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova and China, analyzed, appraised and verified the character and salient features of the Falun Gong cult as well as grave harms it had done to society and people from such aspects as theology, the science of law, political science, psychology, sociology and the science of information transmission. Participants were unanimous in the view that the Falun Gong is a well-organized evil cult with great destructive power, which has wreaked havoc on society and general public; it is a cult organization with an intrinsic tendency of potential violence.

5. The so-called persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China

Falun Gong organization spreads the rumor outside China that the Chinese government persecutes Falun Gong practitioners. They fabricate persecution stories out of thin air.

China is a law-ruled country and the Chinese people are all equal before law. Whoever engages in illegal or criminal activities will be punished by law. The Chinese government has always been perfectly in conformity with legal provisions in handling the issue of Falun Gong. A handful of Falun Gong members have been punished by judicial organs according to law simply because they had been engaged in illegal or criminal activities rather than practicing Falun Gong. China adheres firm to its policy of “uniting, educating and redeeming the majority of Falun Gong practitioners,” encourages them to go back to the society, and helps them live a normal life. As for some Falun Gong members who have committed crimes, their legal rights stipulated in the Constitution are still guaranteed. In a word, the allegation of Falun Gong practitioners being persecuted is absolutely groundless.

Attached here are some of the cases fabricated by Falun Gong. (See Chapter X. Rumors Fabricated by Falun Gong for details)

II . Is Falun Gong a Religious Issue

1. Does Falun Gong claim itself to be a religion

Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, states time and again that Falun Gong is not a religion and “doesn’t have anything to do with today’s religions.”

Li Hongzhi claims in his article, “Falun Dafa is not a religion, but future generations will regard it as one. It is taught to human beings for the purpose of cultivation practice, rather than to establish a religion.” (*Dafa Will Forever be Pure Like Diamond*)

“Ours is not an institutional religion, so don’t regard us as such.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Canada*)

On July 26, 1999, interviewed with Netherlands TV in New York, Li said: “It (Falun Gong) has no difference with such things as the common Qigong, the Taiji and the morning exercise popular in the Western countries. People do morning exercise of Falun Gong for one or half an hour, and then go to work. They are all ordinary members in the society, not organized as a religion.”

Li Hongzhi emphasizes repeatedly that Falun Gong does not possess the basic elements to form a religion.

“Every Falun Gong practitioner is a member of society, and each has his own job or career. It’s only that they go to the park to do Falun Gong exercises for half an hour or an hour every morning, and then they go to work. We don’t have various provisions that people have to follow, as religions do, nor do we have any temples, churches, or religious rituals. People can come to learn or leave as they please, and we have no membership rosters. How is it a religion?” (*Some Thoughts of Mine*)

But Li Hongzhi instigates his followers to put on religious masks when he considers it would be more advantageous for them to do so.

“So in Western society, if the average person comments on whether you are a

religion, you needn't reply, and you don't need to take it that seriously. If a government, social organization, administrative department, congressional representative, etc. says that you're a religion, you no longer need to tell them that we're not. If legal issues are involved, you can handle things as a religion and go by the related legal provisions. So under these circumstances you can say it is a religion, especially when it involves legal matters. Are you all clear on this?" (*Teaching the Fa in the City of Los Angeles*)

2. How the religious circles look at Falun Gong

The Chinese Buddhist circle has kept a watchful eye on and stood up to Falun Gong ever since it came into emergence.

Since 1996, a lot of Falun Gong practitioners suffered from mental disorders such as schizophrenia, some even died of practicing Falun Gong. As more and more cases were reported, the Buddhist circle began to keep a watchful eye on Falun Gong which willfully blasphemed the Buddhist doctrines under the camouflage of Buddhism. Periodicals such as *Taizhou Buddhist Monthly*, *Shanghai Buddhist Bimonthly*, *Guangdong Buddhist* and the *Music Law* etc all published articles to reveal the true colors of Falun Gong. In January 1998, China Buddhist Association held a special forum on the issue of Falun Gong. The attendants agreed unanimously that Falun Gong openly contradicted Buddhist doctrines and its teachings were absolute heretical fallacies.

China Buddhist Association issued *An Open Letter to National Buddhist Circle* on March 3, 2001, claimed that Li Hongzhi and his cult Falun Gong did what they were particularly good at to belittle, blaspheme and humiliate at Buddhism as well as other religions.

Falun Gong is universally acknowledged by international Buddhist circles as a cult.

On May 19, 2000, the United International World Buddhism Association

Headquarters held a World Forum on Buddhism, Buddhist Studies and Buddha Dharma Uprightness in Taiwan. More than 2,000 Buddhists ranked Living Buddha, dignitary and lay Buddhist from 28 countries including USA, Canada, France, Japan, Thailand and Nepal took part in the forum. The participants had made a review and appraisal of Li Hongzhi and other disputed individuals. The Forum determined through voting that Li Hongzhi was a preacher of cult, indicating that Li Hongzhi and other Falun Gong members had garbled Buddha Dharma, and that their so-called universal Buddha Dharma was an utterly self-fabricated heresy. The attendees stated that the so-called universal Buddha Dharma advocated by Li Hongzhi was utterly against the Tripitaka doctrine of Buddha since it was nothing but a fabricated heresy used to bewitch the ordinary people. It out and out is a cult.

In March 2001, the Singapore Buddhist Federation declared solemnly that Falun Gong has absolutely nothing to do with Buddhism although Falun Dafa Association adopted terms of Buddhism in its registered name and Falun (or Wheel of Law) has always been the symbol of Buddhism. Falun Gong is not a religion, nor does it carry forward Buddhism. So it has nothing to do with Buddhism.

In April 2006, the 23rd Conference of the World Fellowship of Buddhists (WFB) held in Taiwan passed “Ten Declarations” which clearly included the following “Stick to the upright religions. Oppose Falun Gong which damages Buddhism by pirating the term Falun (Wheel of Law).” The Conference also called on Buddhists around the world to “face up to and denounce the cult Falun Gong jointly.”

On May 10, 2006, the International Day of Vesak World Buddhist Conference held in Thailand reiterated in the joint communique: “The Conference confirms that Falun Gong contradicts the basic doctrine of Buddhism.”

In 2007, the monthly magazine *Church and Heresy* attached to South Korea Christian published consecutively three articles disclosing and denouncing Falun Gong. The articles pointed out: “Falun Gong is a cult because it deifies one person (Li Hongzhi) and claims his followers can also become immortals. This beyond-styled belief

has sparked off disputes in the society...Falun Gong advertises that people who practice Falun Gong may become immortals and obtain the power to cure disease without taking any medicine. Falun Gong also deliberately deifies and dissimilates Li Hongzhi, wantonly spreads his fallacies, and causes evil consequences to society. In this sense, Falun Gong is a non-belief cult much more vicious than any other social crimes.”

3. How Falun Gong looks at religions

Falun Gong belittles, blasphemes and despises existing religions.

Li Hongzhi said: “The current religions such as Buddhism, Christianity, Catholicism, etc...are no longer capable of saving people...they are low-level things.”

“Right now I’m the only person in the world who is publicly spreading a true teaching.” “I can save all human beings to the bright world and I am Savior of the world standing higher than Sakyamuni, Lao Zi and Jesus Christ.”

“In today's human society, no religion can enable people's minds and humanity's moral standards to re-ascend. Those involved with religion know this too, yet there is nothing at all they can do about it...At present, none of the upright religions have gods overseeing them anymore, and the people in those religions are fighting for money, profit, and status.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Fa Conference in Australia*)

“Many of the world’s true religions can no longer save people...Original religions can no longer save people, having entered the Age of Law's End.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“Buddhism’s Law doesn’t cover the entire Buddha Law – it’s just a tiny little part of Buddha Law.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“The Daoist school practices solitary cultivation; the Daoist religion should not exist.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“It’s just that it is completely in the midst of kalpa’s end and the Dharma ending period, and people today now understand the doctrines incorrectly. It’s just that I don’t

see any Asians in Jesus' Heavenly Kingdom. Back in the times of Jesus and Jehovah, they didn't allow their religion to be spread to the East." (*Teaching the Fa and Answering Questions in Yanji*)

"Sakyamuni required his disciples to have their heads shaved and put on *kasayas*. The disciples of Jesus entered monasteries. I can tell you that the reason they did that was because the Fa they preached was lesser. They couldn't save people without such requirements." (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

"Christianity takes the cross as the symbol of God, the sign of the heavenly kingdom, and the symbol of Christ. That's the biggest disrespect to gods...The cross is placed on graves, it truly represents death – not a god...Christianity has used the image of Jesus suffering on the cross as its symbol. That is something gods cannot tolerate – they absolutely can't tolerate it!" (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

"A Christian's religious practice will be in vain." (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Singapore*)

Furthermore, Li Hongzhi feels great enmity towards existing religions. And he calls on his followers to disintegrate completely the traditional religions which obstruct the propagation of Falun Gong.

In February 2007, repeatedly criticized by the religious circles, Li Hongzhi flared into a rage and wrote a "lecture" titled *Disintegrate Completely All the Meddling Deities in the Three Realms that Have a Hand in Interfering with Fa-Rectification*, stating: "Among them are so-called 'gods' who control the major religions of man...No matter what outward appearance their existence may assume, whether they assume a form or not, what level they may be, or whose appearance they may take on, completely disintegrate and eliminate them all...especially when it comes to those meddling gods that control religions and are hostile towards Fa-rectification and Dafa disciples' saving of sentient beings: disintegrate them completely."

4. Falun Gong infringes upon citizen's freedom of religious belief

In China, the freedom of religious belief is a basic legitimate right of all Chinese citizens, and protected by Constitution and laws. This is clearly documented in the Constitution of the People's Republic of China.

Article 36 of the Constitution states: "Citizens of the People's Republic of China enjoy freedom of religious belief. No state organ, public organizations or individual may compel citizens to believe in, or not to believe in, any religion; nor may they discriminate against citizens who believe in, or do not believe in, any religion." It continues: "The state protect normal religious activities. No one may make use of religion to engage in activities that disrupt public order, impair the health of citizens or interfere with the educational system of the state." The Regulation on Religious Affairs promulgated by the State Council also stresses that, legitimate rights and interests of religious organizations, spots and citizens, as well as normal religious activities are protected by law.

Both words and deeds of Li Hongzhi and his cult infringe upon the legitimate right of Chinese citizens, and are utterly opposed to principles mentioned above and in violation of laws.

Falun Gong deprives its followers of their freedom of religious belief.

Falun Gong claims to be the only upright Fa and deprives its followers of their freedom of religious belief under the name of "no second discipline."

Li Hongzhi said: "Right now I'm the only person in the world who is publicly spreading a true teaching." (*Zhuan Falun*)

"If I can't save you nobody can." (*Zhuan Falun*)

"We teach that in cultivation you need to commit to one discipline. It doesn't matter which cultivation you do, you shouldn't mix in other things and cultivate

thoughtlessly...Cultivation is a serious matter, and you have to commit to one discipline.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“When spreading Dafa you should no longer mention at all what you learned previously, because you have already made a clean break with it. It doesn’t belong to you, and it’s not a part of what you want to attain.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

Li Hongzhi inveigles his followers into giving up belief in other religions and concentrating on Falun Gong practice.

Li Hongzhi said: “Such as Buddhas, the Western God Jesus Christ, and even Yahweh,” “the Fa they preached was lesser.” “Regardless of which religion a person chooses and how well he cultivates...it’s only of 16 or 18-carat gold,” “no longer of solid gold.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

“It won’t do if you have your feet in two boats at the same time,” “it’s damaging both cultivation systems.” “The master of neither side will look after you.” (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*)

“When spreading Dafa to the public, all Falun Dafa disciples can only use the statement, ‘*Shifu* Li Hongzhi has taught that...’ or ‘*Shifu* Li Hongzhi says...’ You are strictly forbidden to use what you experience, see, or know, or to use things from other practices, as if they were Li Hongzhi’s Dafa. Otherwise, what would be promoted would not be Falun Dafa and it would amount to harming Falun Dafa.” (*The Great Consummation Way of Falun Dafa*)

Li Hongzhi emphasizes that Falun Gong followers may regard other religions as jobs, not beliefs; they have no other alternative but believe in Falun Gong.

“Let me tell you that your work in Christianity is only a job. You can work there, for sure. I don’t regard the current religions as cultivation anyway. I treat them as religious professions that are no longer capable of saving people. That’s because they truly have become professions, not cultivation. All the same, to make sure you can truly

improve and that I can take you home, I ask you to concentrate on only one cultivation way. That is definitely beneficial for you. I have spelled out the subject of 'no second discipline' in *Zhuan Falun*. This Fa is immense, but even so, you're still mixing things into it. Even mixing in low-level things is unacceptable, and doing so will mess up the body you cultivate with and everything you've developed by cultivating, and you won't be able to return home. You would be sabotaging your own path of advancement." (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

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Li answered: "At present, none of the upright religions have gods overseeing them anymore, and the people in those religions are fighting for money, profit, and status. Why people believe in religion is a big question. I have explained these principles very clearly. "

Falun Gong advocates "further advancement," and forbids its followers to believe in or read books on other religions. Li repeatedly asks Falun Gong practitioners to read, recite and even copy his scriptures and other teachings as much as possible. As a result, the minds of practitioners are full of Falun Gong fallacies, making them lose the ability to choose a religious belief.

Falun Gong threatens that those who dare to quit Falun Gong won't be able to return home, they are "demons" and will be eliminated or destroyed "flesh and soul."

Li Hongzhi said, those who "have had a negative effect on Dafa," would "have been weeded out." (*Towards Consummation*)

"During the Fa-Rectification, life and death depend on a flashing of idea about Dafa in the mind." (*The Solemn Instructions*)

“I’ve discussed the matter of ‘no second cultivation way.’ If one can’t focus on cultivating Dafa exclusively, one cannot reach Consummation in our Dafa.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

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“Being attached to anything outside the Fa will make you fail halfway through.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

“No matter who you are, if I can’t save you today, you will be a ghost in hell!” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

“The Fa itself would send our Fa-Safeguarding Gods or other high-level beings to destroy them.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Assistants’ Fa Conference in Changchun*)

“After this test, all bad beings will be destroyed by God.” (*Eliminating the Evil*)

“Once you are reduced to the level of an everyday person, no one will protect you and demons will also take your life. It’s even useless to seek protection from other Buddhas, Daos, and Gods, as they won’t protect someone who undermines the Fa. What’s more, your karma will also be returned to your body.” (*Essentials for Further Advancement*)

III. Falun Gong's Fallacies

1. General description

Li Hongzhi claims himself to be the greatest God of the universe.

Li apotheosizes himself. He claims he has learned the essence of Buddhism at the age of eight and attained the supernatural powers of telekinesis, the ability to mend things, control thinking and the ability to become invisible. "He understands the truth of the universe, has insights into life and can see both the past and future." (*The Introduction to Li Hongzhi*)

Li Hongzhi says: "I am the sovereign God of the universe," and "I am teaching the Dafa of universe."

"Right now I'm the only person in the world who is publicly spreading a true teaching. I have done something that's never been done by anyone before;" "If I can't save you nobody can." (*Zhuan Falun*)

"I have truly done something that no one ever did in the past by teaching a greater fundamental Dafa (great law) of the universe." "However, as for these theories, you may have either read all the books in the world or studied all the subjects on earth, you still cannot acquire them." (*Lecture in Sydney*)

Li Hongzhi claims to be the sovereign God whose Fa powers are thousands of times stronger than that of Sakyamuni and Jesus Christ; and Falun Gong is the only upright Fa that can "bring people to Heaven" from worldly torments. Li says he had provided man "a ladder to heaven – *Zhuan Falun*."

Li Hongzhi also boasts that he can "remake" any species on the earth or even "create a new earth." He said: "What I do today is for the purpose of rectifying humankind and the substances of the entire earth – I can do all of this." And "how can the earth be preserved? Just as with your practice of cultivation, as your bodies are being transformed, so is the new earth being made." (*Lecture at the First Conference*)

in North America)

In March 2002, while touring North America to teach the Fa, Li Hongzhi said: “No matter how large the cosmos is, it’s still not as large as I am.” “Perhaps when the cosmos is no more, only I am there.” And he continued, “No one knows who I am. I do not know who I am, either.” “Yet without me, the cosmos wouldn’t exist.”

Li said: “I have numerous Fashen who look the same as me. They are in another dimension, so of course they can become large or small. They can become very large or very small.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

Li even stated: “Each word in this book (*Zhuan Falun*) has my Fashen, every word is the image of my Fashen and every word is the image of a Buddha. I have numerous Fashen, which cannot be calculated by numbers...No matter how many people there are, I can take care of all of them, and I can take care of the entire mankind.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

The earth will go off and the world will be destroyed. The only way out is to practice Falun Gong.

Falun Gong spreads the “Doomsday” fallacy, claims the earth has been destroyed 81 times in the past and will soon be destroyed again. Only Li Hongzhi can postpone the date of earth explosion.

Li Hongzhi says: “The first explosion was decided by my master’s master, the second one by my master and this time by myself.”

Falun Gong preaches that human beings originate from high level beings. Because human beings committed crimes, they fell down level by level to the “garbage dump” of the universe – the earth which is just like a rotten apple. Human beings are facing extremely dangerous situations. To escape from the earth, one has to practice Falun Gong, reach Consummation and return to Heavens.

“Earth is but the garbage dump of the universe...The human beings in the universe who are bad fall downwards, falling to the very center of the universe –

Earth.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“To the eyes of beings in very high realms, humankind is like garbage.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

“To save you to heavens away from the suffering of mankind, that is truly and fundamentally solving the issue of human suffering...Right now the dimension where we human beings exist and a lot of other dimensions are in great danger. And the same goes for other dimensions at this level. The beings there, too, want to leave as quickly as possible, they want to climb up to higher levels. They think that by going up to higher levels they can escape.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“If man continues to decline, he will face elimination, a thorough elimination, which is called, ‘extinction of body and soul.’ It is very frightening! Therefore, Buddhas want to save man precisely from facing such a helpless situation and to save you to heavens away from the suffering of mankind. That is truly and fundamentally solving the issue of human suffering.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

To practice Falun Gong, one must reject other knowledge and information.

Falun Gong emphasizes that the practitioners must concentrate on Dafa cultivation, repeatedly reciting Falun Gong “scriptures” and utterly rejecting other information. Falun Gong practitioners spend a lot of time on their cultivations, giving up hobbies and recreations, and their minds are full of Falun Gong heretical teachings.

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Once a Dafa disciple asked: “Can we absorb knowledge from Buddhism or Taoism books?” Li rejected flatly: “It’s absolutely forbidden.”

To practice Falun Gong one must give up human sentiment and desires, abandon normal life and become an eccentric person.

“Cultivation is something you do right in the thick of tribulations. They’ll test whether you can sever your emotions and desires, and they’ll see if you can take them lightly. If you’re attached to those things you won’t be able to finish your cultivation. Everything has its cause. Why can human beings be human? It’s exactly because humans have emotion. People just live for emotion. The affection among family members, the love between a man and woman, love for parents, feelings, friendships, doing things for friendship’s sake – no matter where you go you can’t get out of emotion...If this sentimentality is not relinquished, you will be unable to practice cultivation.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“Feelings for family, feelings for friends, feelings of love, feelings for parents...you should gradually come to take these things, things that ordinary people are attached to, more and more lightly.” (*Teaching the Fa in Beijing at the Zhuan Falun Publication Ceremony*)

“Cultivate away fame, material interest, and emotion, Reach Consummation, ascending the firmament.” (*Hong Yin*)

“Those who are attached to affection for family will definitely be burned, entangled, and tormented by it. Pulled by the threads of affection and plagued by them throughout their lives, they will find it too late to regret at the end of their lives.”
(*Cultivators’ Avoidances*)

Those who against your cultivation are demons; people who do not believe in Falun Gong will come to no good end; the wretched demons deserve to be

killed.

Li Hongzhi said: “The wretched demons just deserve to be killed.” (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*) “The demons will interfere with your cultivation.” “Your family members are also manipulated by demons.”

“Since humans have come to this stage, demons certainly won’t allow it when people want to obtain the Fa – they’ll obstruct you...All kinds of factors are at work acting as a kind of obstruction.” (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*)

“If the evil has already reached the point where it is unsavable and unkeepable, then various measures at different levels can be used to stop it and eradicate it...Completely eliminating the evil is for Fa-rectification, and not a matter of personal cultivation.” (*Beyond the Limits of Forbearance*)

“If you can let go of life and death, you’re a God; if you can’t let go of life and death, you’re a human.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Fa Conference in Australia*)

2. Falun Gong’s “no second discipline”

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“I hold that one must stick to one cultivation way only!...In Buddhism it is called sticking with only one way of cultivation practice.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“If you go and attend lectures of another Qigong master or you let him to cure your sickness, the evil spirits possessed on the body of the master will hunt down and seize you – you are in great trouble. As my Fashen (Law body) does not protect you,

something bad may come across you. If you let your mind wander for a single moment, then you may fall down or even be destroyed because your karma has not been completely returned.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

Bewitched by Li’s fallacies, many Falun Gong practitioners do not watch TV, never listen to the radio, and read nothing except books on Falun Gong. They try to find every minute to “study the Fa,” take Falun Gong teachings as their guiding ideology in life, and gradually lose the ability to distinguish good from evil, resulting in suicide, murder and many other fatal accidents or criminal activities that damage people’s physical and mental health, violate human rights of innocent civilians and disrupt social stability.

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3. How Falun Gong looks at science

Falun Gong propagates that science has brought disasters such as moral degeneration to human beings.

Li said: "The new generation raised on modern science dauntlessly kills, commits arson, and does bad things...This is the biggest disaster that science has brought to us." (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

“Because of its shallowness, this science has caused the degeneration of morality in human society.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco*)

In the eyes of Li Hongzhi, science is a religion, and a cult.

Li claimed: “Science is a religion too, and it’s a well-established religion.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

“Why is it a religion, and why is it a comprehensive one? The reason is, it neither pays attention to virtue nor recognizes the existence of gods, and since it can’t see the existence of gods.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Switzerland*)

“This science is attacking human beings’ best side: their innate quality of being truly kindhearted. It doesn’t tell people to cherish virtue, nor does it tell people to be kind. It encourages people to unleash all their desires, destroying the environment that man needs in order to exist, along with the innate nature and standards for mankind. On this note, science is not an upright religion.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

Falun Gong denies science, scientific achievements and attacks scientists.

Li Hongzhi said: “Humankind’s modern science has in fact developed on a wrong foundation, with a wrong understanding of the universe, humankind, and life.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco*)

“Today’s science has been imposed on humankind by alien beings.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Singapore*)

“It was they who created science for human beings. So this science was set up by aliens.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Switzerland*)

“Darwin’s theory of evolution is full of holes...And this is the current civilization’s worst disgrace and scandal.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

While repeatedly belittling science, Li Hongzhi disguises himself as “the greatest scientist” and calls his Falun Gong the most abstruse and

“supernatural” science.

“I’ve been tested, too, and they found that I emit gamma rays and thermal neutrons 80-170 times greater than the radiation of normal matter.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“Researchers from the Chinese Academy of Sciences once conducted tests on me to come up with an appraisal...During the test, they found that the energies I emitted contained strong neutrons as well as atoms...What surprised them was that the energy fields I emitted were evenly distributed and the energy could be directed.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Founding Ceremony of the Singaporean Falun Dafa Association*, July 1996)

“Only Buddhas are the greatest scientists.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“The Buddha Fa is the most profound; among all the theories in the world, it is the most intricate and extraordinary science.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

4. How Falun Gong looks at mankind

Li Hongzhi belittles human beings, calling people “garbage” and “vile human beings.”

“Earth is but the garbage dump of the universe...The human beings in the universe who are bad fall downwards, falling to the very center of the universe – Earth.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“To the eyes of beings in very high realms, humankind is like garbage.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

“In regard to humans, when this cultivation ends, this environment won’t be needed anymore. The humans that are left over will be vile human beings...; when humans aren’t good they are eliminated.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Assistants’ Fa Conference in Changchun*)

Li Hongzhi vilifies human beings, describing mankind as an absurd and

weird species, claiming that human beings can think with their heels; that there are persons inside grains of sand; that people from other countries all originated from or “incarnated” in China.

“One single thought of a greater God can create you. Everything is alive. After creating your external appearance, your internal organs are created. Humans think that the human body is extremely complex, but for Gods with great wisdom and great enlightenment, it’s a trivial matter. With the emergence of just one thought a Buddha can create your internal organs with matter at an extremely microscopic level, he can make them instantly.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco*)

“The human body is a small universe. The many, many beings a practitioner has can switch positions. If his master soul shifts its place, say, if it goes over to the belly, then he’ll sense that it’s really his belly that’s doing the thinking, or if his master soul goes over to his calf or his heel, he’ll sense that it’s his calf or heel that’s thinking.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“The people inside grains of sand are exactly the same as us humans – there are black-skinned people, white-skinned people, and yellow-skinned people. And in the future you’ll find it odd that their clothing isn’t too much different from that of our ancient people.” (*Falun Buddha Fa Lectures in the United States*)

“All ethnicities in the world incarnated in China – and this includes persons in every country. Other than the large number of beings from higher realms that came after I began to teach the Fa in recent times, the people in each country incarnated in China at some point in history. No matter which country you’re in, you were first Chinese on this earth, because your first incarnation was there...For example, today’s Americans were people of the Great Ming dynasty. Today’s Americans like Daoism a lot and still demonstrate the values of that time. Back when Daoism reached its height of popularity in the Ming dynasty, in some cities almost every family had a crucible set up in the home. England was the Great Tang, France was the Great Qing, Italy was the Yuan, Australia was the Xia, Russia was the Zhou, Sweden was the Northern

Song, Taiwan was the Southern Song, and Japan was the Sui. In those times, people from each dynasty left China and reincarnated to places that didn't have the countries that are there now – they were still rugged wilderness.” (*Touring North America to Teach the Fa*)

Li Hongzhi threatens mankind, claiming that the earth faces destruction.

“In particular, the moral values of the human society are now declining very badly...You will find that mankind today are indeed full of all the ten sins.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“If man continues to decline, he will face elimination, a thorough elimination, which is called, ‘extinction of body and soul.’ It is very frightening!” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“Science’s development in the microcosmic realm is even more terrifying...If the explosions continue on like that, it won’t take long before the entire earth disintegrates and is gone.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

While belittling, smearing, vilifying and intimidating mankind, Li Hongzhi portrays himself as the “Savior of the world,” claiming that cultivation of Falun Dafa enables people to discard mortal life, reach Consummation and ascend to heaven. To attract more followers, Li purposely builds up Falun Gong practitioners, calling them “super men” or “gods.”

Li Hongzhi positively promises his followers that, by practicing Falun Gong, they will possess the following supernatural powers that ordinary people won't have: No medicine is needed after they get sick; the elderly ladies' menstruations recur after menopause; outside dimensions can be seen after their celestial eyes being opened; they are safe and sound even if crushed by trucks; their bodies keep meditating even though their heads are gone; and their foreheads possess a TV set...and so on so forth. And when the practitioner reaches the “highest level” of cultivation, “he will get whatever he wants just by extending his hand, he'll have anything he wants, and he'll be able to do whatever he wants to – he'll have everything in his world.” (*Zhuan Falun*) Some can even “take off human skin” and “fly in broad daylight,” eventually reach the

highest level – Consummation.

Li promises, “If you succeed in cultivating into a great god...You will be able to hold the earth in your palm with no effort at all.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

Poisoned by these heretical theories, most Falun Gong practitioners have difficulties to resist the temptation of Consummation. They despise mankind and defame human life, spurn daily life and seek being saved. To escape from the “garbage dump of the universe,” some even set against the society in an extreme way regardless the consequences.

5. How Falun Gong treats family members

Cherishing family affection and caring for the beloved ones are traditional virtues of mankind. Although Li Hongzhi boasts “Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance” or “being good people,” Falun Gong disciples ignore family affection and even hurt their own relatives and family members.

Falun Gong advocates “God created man,” “master soul formed a person” or even “Li Hongzhi created human beings all by himself,” claiming that your real mother is the one who gave birth to your master soul instead of the one who gave birth to your body in this world; that your real parents are in the place where the universe created you; that people do not have real beloved ones in this world.

Li Hongzhi said: “The body structure of humans was created by Gods.” (*Touring North America to Teach the Fa*)

“Only the mother who gave birth to your master soul is your real mother.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

During his earlier lecture recorded with videotape, Li Hongzhi even said: “I’m the oldest being in the universe and I created all my fathers and mothers in different lives.”

“Your real parents are in the place where the universe created you. That is where your parents are...Therefore, your real parents are right now watching you over there, hoping that you will return; but instead of returning, you get lost here and still feel that your relatives are all here.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“In this life you are my family member, but in the next life who knows who we will be related to. Just in this lifetime is our relationship predestined. It’s just like staying at an inn: you lodge there briefly for a night and then part ways the next day. Who could possibly take someone else’s place?” (*Teaching the Fa at the Western U.S. International Fa Conference*)

“But as a cultivator you can’t confuse yourself with an everyday person. To put it a bit seriously, you’re no longer human.” (*Teaching the Fa in New York City*)

“Cultivators are on a journey to divinity.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco, 2005*)

Falun Gong regards Dafa disciples as “supermen,” and family affection an obstacle to cultivation, claiming, to reach Consummation, the practitioners have to give up family affection and desires. Falun Gong opposes people’s showing filial respect to their parents or caring for their children and spurns the love of married couples.

Li Hongzhi said: “Those who are attached to affection for family will definitely be burned, entangled, and tormented by it. Pulled by the threads of affection and plagued by them throughout their lives, they will find it too late to regret at the end of their lives.” (*Cultivators’ Avoidances*)

“Cultivation is something you do right in the thick of tribulations. They’ll test whether you can sever your emotions and desires, and they’ll see if you can take them lightly. If you’re attached to those things you won’t be able to finish your cultivation. Everything has its cause. Why can human beings be human? It’s exactly because humans have emotion. People just live for emotion. The affection among family members, the love between a man and woman, love for parents, feelings, friendships, doing things for friendship’s sake – no matter where you go you can’t get

out of emotion...If this sentimentality is not relinquished, you will be unable to practice cultivation.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“Whether you can let go of ordinary human attachments is a fatal test on your way to becoming a truly extraordinary being.” (*True Cultivation*)

“Right in the midst of ordinary people you have to get rid of every bit of all those bad thoughts you have, and that’s the only way you can improve and go up.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“Cultivate away fame, material interest, and emotion, Reach Consummation, ascending the firmament.” (*Reaching Consummation, Completing Gong*)

Li Hongzhi instigates and bewitches his followers: In order to reach Consummation, it is right for you to eliminate “demons” that interfere with your cultivation, even if the “demons” are your own beloved ones.

“The wretched demons just deserve to be killed.” (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*)

“If the evil has already reached the point where it is unsavable and unkeepable, then various measures at different levels can be used to stop it and eradicate it...Completely eliminating the evil is for Fa-rectification, and not a matter of personal cultivation.” (*Beyond the Limits of Forbearance*)

Bewitched by Li Hongzhi, many Falun Gong practitioners caused family tragedies time and again.

On November 26, 1999, Zhu Changjiu, a Falun Gong practitioner living in Qingta, Renqiu County of Hebei Province, cruelly killed his parents at home simply because they burnt his Falun Gong books.

On November 25, 2001, Fu Yibin, a Falun Gong practitioner living in Xicheng District of Beijing, cruelly killed his father and wife who loved him deeply and seriously injured his mother with a kitchen knife regardless that his mother brought him up.

On April 22, 2002, Guan Shuyun, a practitioner living in Meixi District, Yichun County of Heilongjiang Province whose mind was controlled by Falun Gong fallacies, conducted so-called “expelling evil” rituals, and killed her nine-year-old daughter Dai Nan in the presence of several dozens of Falun Gong practitioners.

6. How Falun Gong defies laws

Despising laws is a salient feature of Falun Gong.

Li Hongzhi said: “The laws humankind has made are in fact mechanically restricting people and sealing them off, including the lawmakers themselves. Humans are continuously sealing themselves off. They seal off and seal off to the point that they’re left with no way out in the end. When too many laws are made, humans are controlled like animals and have no way out; then no one can come up with any solution.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco*)

“The world has developed to this day, where everyone regards the legal system as good. Actually, it’s the last resort when there’s no way out.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco*)

“That’s because the law of a government is made by humans, and when humans make laws, they have the intention to rule and punish others.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

Li Hongzhi claims that Falun Dafa is the principle law of the universe and above all human laws. All Falun Gong practitioners must abide by Falun Dafa and mustn’t follow human laws because the human laws have no bindings upon them.

“All beings in the Three Realms came for the Fa and were created for the Fa. In other words, this includes all forms in the Three Realms, including all the various forms that exist in human society, among which, of course, are today’s laws.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

By and by, Falun Gong followers have been poisoned with these heretical

theories. They think Falun Dafa is a perfect theory and no one enjoys the freedom to criticize it. For instance, whenever people pointed out wrongdoings of Falun Gong, a lot of Falun Gong practitioners would go and offer explanations to defend Falun Gong. Some times they even illegally besieged the media and Party or administrative organs under the name of “protecting the Fa.” When the government investigated and prosecuted according to law Falun Gong members who engaged in illegal activities, the practitioners regarded it as defying “the law of universe.” And they took to the streets and stirred up troubles in violation of law, disrupting social stability.

From June 8 to 12, 1998, Falun Gong practitioners in Wuhan, Hubei Province illegally besieged the Changjiang Daily press for nine times.

According to statistics, ever since the first besiegement at Guangming Daily press by Falun Gong practitioners in September 1996, the total number of besiegement incidents on governmental organs and the media amounted to 78 times, with each incident involved over 300 Falun Gong practitioners.

In July 1999, Falun Gong was officially banned by the Chinese government according to law. Li Hongzhi and his organization were not resigned to failures and openly defying and violating the law.

In January 2001, two Falun Gong practitioners Dou Zhenyang and Wang Hongjun in Fushun City of Liaoning Province blocked train tracks with obstacles they deliberately formed, trying to derail the train and expanding the influence of Falun Gong.

On March 5, 2002, Falun Gong practitioners of Changchun City, Jilin Province, including Liang Zhenxing and Zhou Runjun (female), cut off cable TV transmission trunk lines with scissors, illegally grafted-in Falun Gong propaganda programs. On September 18, 2002, Liang Zhenxing, Zhou Runjun and other suspects were put on trial by the Changchun Intermediate People’s Court. Zhou Runjun candidly confessed their sabotaging activities but denied their guilt. She argued on the court that what they had done was to publicize Falun Gong, not for money. Since Falun Dafa was the

law of universe and high above human laws, they actually had justice on their side and were not guilty at all. The human laws and Falun Dafa could not be mentioned in the same breath, and the government could not be put on a par with Falun Gong.

On June 23, 2002, the satellite Sino I carrying dozens of TV channels of the Chinese mainland was illegally attacked by Falun Gong members at Taiwan. Up to August 7, 2007, Falun Gong carried out 252 attacks on civil satellites such as Sino I, Asia Pacific Sat VI and Asia 3S etc, with a total length of 160 hours.

In October 2002, Li Xiangchun, an American Chinese who attempted to sabotage communication cables at Yangzhou City of Jiangsu Province, was arrested and put on an open trial. Li claimed on the court that what he tried to do was to advocate Falun Dafa and, he was innocent.

Falun Gong members also frequently violate laws outside Mainland China.

On April 20, 2006, Wang Wenyi, a Falun Gong practitioner who entered the White House as a reporter, shouted cultic slogans when US president George. W. Bush was holding a ceremony of state affairs at the White House, causing tremendous disruptions.

In October 2006, a Falun Gong practitioner in Netherlands killed a 22-year-old Dutchman with an axe. He cruelly cut the body into small pieces with knife and saw, picked flesh out, and later on fried the flesh in boiling oil of a cooking pan.

On November 30, 2006, two Falun Gong practitioners Huang Caihua and Yu Wenzhong were fined by local court on charges of harassment in Singapore. The two were then put into prison because they refused to pay the forfeit.

On January 22, 2007, six Falun Gong practitioners were put on trial in Singapore on charges of "rally without permission." Since they recited Li Hongzhi's scriptures in unison on the court, they were accused of "contempt of court" and sentenced to two days imprisonment.

On July 23, 2007, nine directors of "Falun Dafa Research Center" were punished

with amercement by Kuala Lumpur Primary Court because of guilty in violating the 1965 Company Law of Malaysia.

On February 8, 2008, 22 Falun Gong practitioners held a so-called “anti-persecution rally” in Bangkok, Thailand, forcing passers-by to take Falun Gong pamphlets, disturbing festival celebrations, then were arrested by police.

7. How Falun Gong treats human life

Falun Gong propagates “one’s master soul does not become extinct,” claiming that when a person dies, only his flesh body is taken off and he feels extremely wonderful; that when a practitioner reaches Consummation, he can get into heavens without his flesh body.

Li Hongzhi said: “From a high level, we find that when a person is dead, his Primordial Spirit does not become extinct.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“When a person dies, only the layer of the largest molecules – the human shell or this layer of molecules on the surface – dies and falls away from this dimension. How could your real body that’s composed of microscopic matter die?” (*Teaching the Fa at the Assistants’ Fa Conference in Changchun*)

“At the very moment of death they did not feel scared; on the contrary, they suddenly felt a sense of relief, with some sort of subconscious excitement. Some people felt free from the bondage of the body and could levitate very lightly and wonderfully.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“In this cosmos, 99.9 percent of the numerous cultivation ways in the past and heavenly paradises in different cosmic bodies didn’t need bodies.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Assistants’ Fa Conference in Changchun*)

To reach Consummation, Li Hongzhi asks his followers to give up their attachments to human body.

“If you succeed in cultivating into a great god or a great Buddha...You will be able

to hold the earth in your palm with no effort at all.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

“When he succeeds in cultivation later on he’ll get whatever he wants just by extending his hand, he’ll have anything he wants, and he’ll be able to do whatever he wants to – he’ll have everything in his world.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“If you can let go of life and death, you’re a God; if you can’t let go of life and death, you’re a human.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Fa Conference in Australia*)

Poisoned by Li Hongzhi, many Falun Gong followers readily believe his fallacies, so they do not cherish their mortal lives and take their bodies as “vile human skin bags.” In order to reach Consummation, some even kill themselves.

On July 3, 1999, two Falun Gong practitioners, 27-year-old Chang Haochi and 50-year-old Li Jinzhong, firmly believed they had already “reached Consummation” and could “ascend to heavens.” So they sit face to face at a patch of open ground outside the village, killed themselves by burning.

On November 25, 2001, about 5:00 p.m., Fu Yibin, a Falun Gong practitioner living in Xicheng District of Beijing, cruelly killed his father and wife and seriously wounded his mother at home. Fu later confessed: “After practicing Falun Gong, I regarded them as figures in a shadow play or walking corpses because they did not understand the true meaning of human life. When I cut their flesh bodies with a kitchen knife, I felt as though I was cutting dogs or cats. He was my father just in the formation. His flesh body already degenerated – it was time to get rid of his flesh body.” “That I killed them meant I saved them. After all my family members cultivate into the Land of Ultimate Bliss, the whole family will live and enjoy ourselves there for ever.”

Falun Gong advocates that homicide can “bring people into heavens,” and is a way of settling malevolent predestined relationships with benevolent solutions.

Li Hongzhi said: “If a large being is killed by someone, then that person’s sins and karma become enormous, especially when it’s a human being who is killed. So when someone has generated such karma he has to pay it off...But as for the very real, awful situation the beings are in, their painful enduring, and their material loss after they are killed, the cultivator will have to, in the process of consummating everything of his own, save those beings or repay them with blessings using the fruits of his cultivation. Then from that perspective, the compensation the killed beings receive far exceeds what they would have received among humans. And this has thus settled malevolent predestined relationships with benevolent solutions.” (*Dafa Is All-Encompassing*)

“At the same time, a portion of the lives that you harmed will become beings in the paradise you will have after you Consume, so it will turn into a good thing. If the to-be-harmed life knew, ‘Oh, I’ll go to a Buddha’s paradise in the future,’ it would stretch its neck out to let you kill it. It would happily, cheerfully let you kill it.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Switzerland*)

On March 1, 2002, Lin Chunmei and Wen Yuping, two Falun Gong practitioners from Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, killed Mai Xinping, a waitress who worked at Hongbin Hotel, Xianyang City of Shaanxi Province. The two claimed their purpose of killing was to “save” Mai Xinping. Interviewed with journalists, Lin Chunmei said: “You think we two are killers, but we think we are good people – Ms. Mai was saved to heaven and enjoyed herself there after death.” “We view life differently: You ordinary people think that murder means to kill a person’s flesh body; we cultivators believe that murder is to kill a person’s master soul.”

8. How Falun Gong looks at disease

A considerable number of Falun Gong practitioners lost their lives simply because they had followed Li Hongzhi’s theory and rejected medical help after they became ill.

Li Hongzhi attributes people’s sickness to karma.

The word “karma” is originally a neutral term of Buddhism. Li Hongzhi describes to his followers that karma is the retribution of bad deeds. Li claims, a person’s sickness results from the karma he accumulated in this life or previous lives, instead of pathological changes in his physical body.

Li Hongzhi points out in his book *Zhuan Falun* that the rooted cause of man’s disease is “karma.” Common people always have evil intentions – so they acquired a kind of black substance called “karma.” According to Li Hongzhi, people suffer from sickness or other tribulations because of karma which has resulted from people’s previous wrongdoings.

Bewitched by Li’s fallacies, many Falun Gong practitioners frequently rejected medical treatment after ill; so some of them became disabled or even lost their lives. In January 2001, a 59-year-old retiree Hu Guangying suffered from a common skin disease. As an obsessed Falun Gong practitioner, she firmly believed in the karma-elimination theory, refused to see a doctor or take medicine. Soon her wound was festering and she died of infection.

Li Hongzhi promises the moon to his followers that practicing Falun Gong can automatically “eliminate the karma” and cure their sickness and there is no need to seek medical help.

According to Li Hongzhi’s theory, sickness stems out of one’s karma. Then how to remove one’s karma?

First of all, Li Hongzhi boasts that practicing Falun Gong is the exclusive way to “eliminate karma” as well as the only effective way to cure one’s disease.

Li states in his book *Zhuan Falun*: “The master can eliminate karma for you.”

“The first thing is to get rid of the bad stuff in your body, and that includes health problems. But we don’t do healing here. What we do is cleansing the body. And we don’t use the term ‘healing,’ we just call it cleansing the body – we cleanse the body

for true cultivators.”

“Maybe some folks would be ill like that for years...How could you cultivate with your remaining years? We have to clean up all of that for you and not let those things happen.”

“Some people think that treating patients, curing their illnesses, and improving their health are good deeds. In my view, they have not really cured the illnesses. Instead of removing them, they have either postponed or transformed the illnesses. To really dispel such tribulations, karma must be eliminated.”

In his book *Zhuan Falun Vol. II*, Li Hongzhi claims: “For us cultivators, other than the karma Master has eliminated, we still have to pay a portion ourselves. You will thus feel physically uncomfortable, as if you were suffering from sickness. Cultivation practice is to cleanse you from your life’s origin.”

Li does not allow his followers to take medicine if ill.

“Taking medicine while practicing Falun Gong means not believing that Falun Gong is able to cure illness. If you believe, why do you need to take medicine?”
(*China Falun Gong, Revised Edition*)

Li Hongzhi declares, taking medicine or getting injections will not do any good to one’s sickness.

Li Hongzhi says: “Always go to the hospital to get injections but it doesn't work...One of our students went to the hospital and had several syringe needles bend on him...but the needle still couldn’t go in. Then he caught on, 'Wait, I'm a cultivator! I don’t want any more injections.'” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“The fundamental cause and the sickness don’t originate in this dimension. So when you take medicine now you’re killing this sickness or the virus at the surface...yet you take medicine and press it back in.” (*Teaching the Fa in New York City in 1997*)

“Operation or surgery can only remove the sickness-karma of the surface

dimensions; it has no effect on the ones of the outside dimensions – modern medical techniques are actually cheap tricks in this regard.” (*Essentials For Further Advancement*)

“Once ill, the person takes medicine or seeks various kinds of treatments, which in effect press the sickness back into the body again. This way, instead of paying for the sickness-karma from his wrongdoing in the previous life, he does some additional bad things in this life and hurts others; this brings about new sickness-karma and leads to different kinds of sicknesses.” (*Essentials For Further Advancement*)

Bewitched by karma-elimination theory, many Falun Gong disciples totally act upon whatever Li Hongzhi says, resulting in endless sufferings or even deaths.

A considerable number of Falun Gong practitioners are led astray by Li Hongzhi’s karma-elimination theory. They totally reject medical help even suffering from chronic illness. A flashing thought of “medical help” would be considered an insult and provocation against Master Li Hongzhi.

Today, our readers still frequently come across stories of the karma elimination sufferings on Falun Gong websites. On May 16, 2008, the Minghui Net published an article *Looking Inward to Search for the Sickness-Karma*, describing the painful experience of a Falun Gong follower: “In April, I suddenly suffered from an acute toothache and it got worse while I was sending forth righteous thoughts. Seized with sharp pain, I tossed and turned in the bed, unable to sleep...As sending forth righteous thoughts did not ease the pain, I began to look inside myself...I practiced Falun Gong and studied the Fa since I could not go to sleep. ”

Fooled by Li Hongzhi, Falun Gong practitioners firmly believe that practicing Falun Gong would eventually remove their sickness. So they dare not seek medical treatment although they could hardly stand the pain. To get rid of the unbearable pain under such circumstances, some practitioners have killed themselves. A practitioner who resolutely refused to seek medical help in Yancheng City, Jiangsu Province, cut

open his own artery and committed suicide because he could not bear the sufferings; in one of his pocket, there's medicine that he didn't dare to take when he's alive.

To rationalize the deaths arising from abandoning medical help and rid himself of the responsibility, Li Hongzhi comes up with many kinds of excuses.

It is Li Hongzhi who concocts the “karma elimination” theory and indoctrinates his followers to depend on him for their health and lives. Many obsessed Falun Gong followers readily believe Li's fallacies, concentrating on cultivation and totally rejecting medical treatment. The cases that practitioners died of medical neglect have occurred frequently, which also cause panics and disturbances within Falun Gong organization.

During the so-called Fa conferences, many Falun Gong followers asked Li Hongzhi the same question: “Why some our Dafa disciples died of sickness?”

Li Hongzhi attributes these deaths to “the old forces” and “Dafa disciples.”

On the one hand, Li explains that these deaths were interfered and arranged by “the old forces” (“The old forces” was a term Li Hongzhi employed to describe his imaginary force which set against Falun Gong).

“From the perspective of cultivation, for a person to rise above ordinary people, he has to get rid of all human attachments, and that's how the old forces took advantage of this and arranged all those things. For instance, they arranged for certain students to appear sick at certain times, and for certain students to depart first at a certain time.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

“It was the old forces' intention all along to weed out those beings. So, they made them commit sins by doing things that would interfere with Dafa – that's the role they wanted them to play.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

“Among my Dafa disciples there are some who were used and deceived by them in the past, for example, [they might have said] ‘for you to reach Consummation you'll have to do such and such at such and such time.’” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

“Many were Dafa disciples deceived by them, while some were arranged by them; they all agreed to it at some point in history, and that is why it’s hard to handle.”
(*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Atlanta Fa Conference*)

“Cultivation and Dafa are solemn, and they can turn human beings into gods. The old forces can’t stand that, so they want to test you. They want to see if you will still say Dafa is good and stay and cultivate when they have people pass away who have reached the end of their life spans. The old forces have done that, so when a student faces life-threatening danger, you can’t say that he is not good or that he has some serious problems. That is actually the old forces creating a disturbance by taking advantage of human attachments.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

“It’s likely the old forces will lead him to have problems and even make him leave us early in order to test other students.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

On the other hand, Li Hongzhi explains that, some practitioners died of sickness because they had not cultivated well enough.

“If certain students can't manage to get rid of long-standing attachments inside themselves, they can be persecuted and interfered with. [They might think,] 'I've been doing the exercises, and my illnesses have been cured. I feel so good. My life has become easier.' Their understanding always remains at that level and they can't understand the Fa on the basis of the Fa, and that makes it easy for problems to come up.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

“Cultivation is a serious matter. That test of one’s mind is a black or white issue. The more attached you are, the worse you will feel. When you go to the hospital for an examination you will be made to see that your illness has gotten worse. Yet you still don’t enlighten to it. Yet you still don’t enlighten to it. Since you still don’t enlighten to it, it becomes more and more serious, and in the end you truly can’t make it.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

“That happens because you are not a genuine student, you don’t study the Fa, and you can’t let go of your attachment to your illness. You are just an ordinary person who wants to get his illness cured...If you can truly cultivate, when you can truly let go of your attachment to living or your fear of death – and not just act that way for others to see while constantly thinking about it inside – then no matter what kind of illness you have, it will be cured.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

“If that person still doesn't get it after being given chances for so long, even if he has cultivated for years and has followed others in doing Dafa work, if he still can't let go on a fundamental level of his attachment to getting healed, then on a fundamental level he is still not a student, and he will depart when he reaches the end of his lifespan.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2004 International Fa Conference in New York*)

If these two explanations fail to convince his followers, Li Hongzhi would come up with another pretext – a few Dafa disciples died because they have “reached Consummation,” which means they have accomplished their cultivation and become what Li described “Buddha or gods.”

“You might know that a few of our students passed away. Some of them reached Consummation, while some [died to] do harm to us. So I didn’t make any comments on the matter or offer any explanation. Yet I think those things were a test of life and death for our students.”

“A person’s life is predestined.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

In a word, from Li Hongzhi’s point of view, he and his Falun Gong have “neither part nor lot” in the deaths of Falun Gong practitioners.

Yet what puzzles people most is that while forbidding followers to seek medical help Li Hongzhi himself did not abide by the rule.

When Li Hongzhi worked for the Changchun Grain and Oil Supply Company, he and his daughter had 73 medical expense reimbursements from the government, of

which 48 were for treatments himself received.

From 1982 to 1992, Li Hongzhi worked as a staffer in the Security Office of Changchun Grain and Oil Supply Company. During this period, he consulted doctors to seek medical help at seven hospitals in Changchun City, including the Changchun Hospital; Changchun People's Hospital; No. 208 Military Hospital; Traditional Chinese Medical Hospital of Chaoyang District etc.

In 1984, Li Hongzhi had an operation for acute appendicitis.

These facts amounted to say that the "karma elimination" therapy Li Hongzhi boasted was actually not applicable to himself. In another word, he never risks his own life on "karma elimination" theory if really ill.

So actually, the so-called "karma elimination" theory is just a mechanism Li Hongzhi employs to deceive and psychologically control his followers.

9. How Falun Gong looks at killings committed by its members

Falun Gong practitioners have killed many innocent people in the light of Li Hongzhi's "demon elimination" theory which is one of the most horrific Falun Gong teachings in violation of law. Li claimed: "The wretched demons just deserve to be killed." Bewitched by Li Hongzhi's theory and in order to reach Consummation, some obsessed practitioners cruelly killed innocent people or even their own family members in the name of "eliminating demons."

Who are the "demons"?

According to Falun Gong teachings, those who interfere with Falun Gong practice are all "demons," including people and organizations boycotting propagation of the cult. Li Hongzhi also called them "the evils," "the old forces," "the wretched ghosts," "the Fa-meddling ghosts" or "the Satan Demons" etc.

Some people went astray and practiced Falun Gong but accidentally died violent

deaths later on. To patch up his lie that “the true cultivators will not get sick or subject to dangers,” Li Hongzhi viciously called them “demons.” Li said: “The type of demons that are most difficult to recognize are as follows, and they’re capable of doing major damage. They come to learn Falun Dafa as others do...Then all of a sudden they die or all of a sudden they go down the opposite path, and damage Falun Dafa this way.” (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*)

Why Falun Gong instigates its followers to “eliminate demons”?

Li Hongzhi said: “The animal (demon) doesn’t just possess the body, it also kills the person’s Primordial Spirit.” Here the “Primordial Spirit” Li mentioned refers to a person’s soul.

According to Li’s description, the “demons” are extremely vicious and as a result, they must be eradicated.

In his scripture *Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*, Li Hongzhi stated explicitly: “The wretched demons just deserve to be killed.”

“The problem of meddling by wicked entities is sure to arise when a person is cultivating to high levels.” (*China Falun Gong, Revised Version*)

“If the evil has already reached the point where it is unsavable and unkeepable, then various measures at different levels can be used to stop it and eradicate it...Completely eliminating the evil is for Fa-rectification, and not a matter of personal cultivation.” (*Beyond the Limits of Forbearance*)

What are the consequences of “eliminating demons”?

Inspired by the mental implication of Li Hongzhi, some practitioners broke into hysterics and insanity, killing people involuntarily.

On August 23, 1996, Wang Xuezhong, a Falun Gong practitioner in Jiahe County of Hunan Province, declared his own father Wang Jirong a demon; hacked the old man 17 times on his head, neck and chest with a knife, and killed his father then and there.

On February 25, 1998, Wu Deqiao, a Falun Gong practitioner in Jiangsu Province, was practicing Falun Gong at home during the night. He thought his wife was “a demon” because she tried to stop him from cultivation, and cruelly killed her with a kitchen knife.

On April 8, 1998, Wang Anshou, a worker and a Falun Gong follower in Shandong Province, regarded his father as “a demon” whose body was obsessed by “a tiger spirit” because his father dissuaded him not to practice Falun Gong, and brutally killed his father with a spade.

On March 20, 1999, Li Ting, a Falun Gong practitioner in Chengde City of Hebei Province, under 18 then, thought his mother and father were both demons; to eliminate “the demons,” he mercilessly killed his parents at home.

On February 20, 2001, Lan Shaowei, an obsessed Falun Gong practitioner in Guangdong's Shenzhen, killed his wife Wei Zhihua. Lan thought his wife was “a demon” because she had discarded Falun Gong practice. Lan Shaowei and other fellow practitioners tied Wei Zhihua up, covered her mouth and nose, and cruelly strangled her.

In April 2002, Guan Shuyun, a Falun Gong practitioner in Yichun County of Heilongjiang Province, took her nine-year-old daughter Dai Nan as “a demon,” and strangled the girl.

On April 7, 2008, four Falun Gong practitioners in Changchun City of Jilin Province, “expelled evil spirit” for another practitioner named Xiao, and killed her. They picked Xiao with steel needles, burnt her with boiling water, froze her with icy cubes and eventually beat her up to death.

10. How Falun Gong fabricates “miraculous” stories

“A humpbacked man straightened up after Master Li Hongzhi had patted the deformed back five times”; and “a patient suffered from an end- stage uremia quickly recovered after reciting Master Li Hongzhi's scriptures,” etc, such fairy tales spread

among Falun Gong practitioners. You and I “ordinary people” may consider these stories absurd, but obsessed Falun Gong followers never suspect of the legends and call them “miraculous” stories.

Authors of these stories fall into two categories: (a) Master Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, who cooks up stories to demonstrate that he is omnipotent; (b) Falun Gong key members, who purposely do so to show that they are veteran practitioners, and have cultivated into high levels.

There are two ways of spreading these stories: Li Hongzhi’s “scriptures” and Falun Gong websites are the primary channels; and the practitioners’ Gong meetings for discussion and exchange of experiences are the secondary ones.

A lot of “miraculous” stories have been published on Minghui Net and other Falun Gong websites. And the stories are fabricated with the following three purposes. Firstly, they serve as a means for Li Hongzhi to exercise spiritual control over his followers. Li purposely spreads these stories among practitioners, making them fully devote to the worship of him and his Falun Gong so that they will accept and practice Falun Gong teachings without hesitation, and serve the cult whole-heartedly. Secondly, they are employed to cheat those who do not know the facts. Thirdly, they are used to threat those who hold different views from Falun Gong or intimidate Falun Gong followers who are skeptical.

The so-called “miracles” can be divided into the following six groups.

Group 1. Li Hongzhi apotheosizes himself and his Falun Gong

- **Li’s four supernatural functions.** In *The Introduction to Li Hongzhi* compiled by Falun Gong organization, Li Hongzhi claims, he reached great Enlightenment at the age of eight and he possesses supernatural powers: the power of teleportation, the power of becoming invisible, the power of making people unable to move and the power of controlling people with thoughts.

- **Li destroyed “a snake spirit” with his “melting Gong.”** Li Hongzhi said:

“The master’s master of that man was originally a snake spirit which took the shape of man. But having a spirit’s nature, he was evil-minded and used to make trouble for me in the shape of a giant snake. I was so annoyed that I caught hold of it in my hands and used a powerful magic called ‘Melting Gong’ to turn its lower part into water. Its upper part fled in panic.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

- **Li cured a humpbacked man by patting him five times.** On June 21, 1992, Li Hongzhi lectured at Beijing Construction Materials Auditorium: “A man was so deformed that he looked like carrying a big cloth-wrapper on his back, it caused him great hurt. He came in and asked me for help. I looked at him and decided to do something. So I stopped my lecture and told the audience: ‘Please excuse me for a moment, I’ll help this man first.’ I patted the man on his back five times, and then gave him a punching press. The man straightened up then and there.”

- **Li could cure illness by just looking at the patient.** On February 25, 2006, Li boasted to followers at Los Angeles: “Many students saw before that when I did healings for ordinary people, I didn’t need to lift a finger. I would just take a look at the person and he was cured. When I looked at him I was emitting certain things; I could emit supernormal powers from any part of my body. His ailment would be cured immediately over there upon my emitting those things.”

- **Li left mankind a ladder to heaven.** In 1996, while lecturing at Sydney Fa Conference, Li said: “I have done something nobody did in the past, and I have opened a big door. I have done something even greater. That is, I have made public all the principles of cultivation practice as well as the elements for completing cultivation. In addition, I have talked about it very systematically. This is why the gods at very high levels have said, ‘You have left man a ladder to heaven – *Zhuan Falun*.’”

- **Li could “remake” any species on the earth, and even “create a new earth.”** He said: “What I do today is for the purpose of rectifying humankind and the substances of the entire earth – I can do all of this.” He continued: “How can the earth be preserved? Just as with your practice of cultivation, as your bodies are being

transformed, so is the new earth being made.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

- **Li had numerous Fashen.** While lecturing at Sydney Fa Conference, Li also claimed: “I have numerous Fashen who look the same as me. They are in another dimension, so of course they can become large or small. They can become very large or very small. Their wisdom is completely opened with the same power of Fa like that of a Buddha. The main body is here with me, and they have the ability to do things independently. They will look after you, protect you, help you transform Gong, and do certain things. In fact, they are the embodiment of my wisdom. Therefore, I am able to safeguard you...The majority of my Fashen are wearing the Buddha's robes with blue hair, the curly blue hair. It is very blue, bright jade blue.”

- **When a practitioner cultivated into an extremely high level, a big eye could develop over top half of his face.** Li describes in his book *Zhuan Falun*, the large eye resembles that of a fly. “When a person gets to an extremely high level, after he’s gone beyond Triple-World-Law cultivation, an eye that’s like a compound eye appears. To be more specific, a large eye develops over the whole top half of his face, and there are countless small eyes in it. Some Great Enlightened Beings at really high levels have cultivated an incredible number of eyes, and they’re all over their faces. All of their eyes see out of that one large eye, they can see whatever they want to, and when they look they see all levels at once.”

- **Falun Gong practitioners could levitate off ground and fly to heaven.** In May 1998, lecturing at a Fa Conference in Europe, Li said: “Yet I also want to bring humankind a magnificent scene at the time of your Consummation. My thought is this: Have all Dafa disciples, regardless of whether they need bodies or not, elevate their bodies into the sky and then fly away; those who don’t need bodies will have their bodies go through Light-Transformation in the air...If you succeed in cultivating into a great god or a great Buddha, will you be capable of doing that? You will be more than capable. You will be able to hold the earth in your palm with no effort at all, let alone save your family members.”

Li Hongzhi has made many other bizarre remarks to show that his Gong powers “reached the peak of perfection” and he “saw the origin of mankind, foresaw the development and future of the humankind.”

- **All ethnicities in the world incarnated in China.** In March 2002, Li lectured in the United States: “All ethnicities in the world incarnated in China – and this includes persons in every country. Other than the large number of beings from higher realms that came after I began to teach the Fa in recent times, the people in each country incarnated in China at some point in history. No matter which country you’re in, you were first Chinese on this earth, because your first incarnation was there...For example, today’s Americans were people of the Great Ming dynasty...England was the Great Tang, France was the Great Qing, Italy was the Yuan, Australia was the Xia, Russia was the Zhou, Sweden was the Northern Song, Taiwan was the Southern Song, and Japan was the Sui. In those times, people from each dynasty left China and reincarnated to places that didn’t have the countries that are there now – they were still rugged wilderness. So most people reincarnated all over the world in a scattered way, and only returned to their places in recent times. People from one dynasty went one place, while people from another dynasty went to another place – that’s how it went.”

- **There were humanoids inside grains of sand.** In September 1997, Li lectured in the United States: “The people inside grains of sand are exactly the same as us humans – there are black-skinned people, white-skinned people, and yellow-skinned people. And in the future you’ll find it odd that their clothing isn’t too much different from that of our ancient people.”

- **There were humanoids under oceans.** “There are humanoids on the ocean floor, several kinds. Some of them resemble us, and some are rather different. Some have gills, while some are human from the waist up and fish from the waist down; others have human legs with upper bodies that are fish.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

- **The moon was created by prehistoric man.** “The moon was created by

prehistoric man, and its interior is hollow.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

Group 2. Falun Gong guarantees a cure for all diseases.

In the “miraculous” stories, Li Hongzhi and his Falun Gong are described to have the power of eliminating the most serious and complicated illnesses. These diseases include cancer, dementia, limb damages, blindness, deaf, dumb, paralysis, humpback, bandy legs, and vegetable (a human being), etc.

On October 13, 2006, the Minghui Net published an article, claiming that a patient who suffered from mid-staged lymphoma recovered after he read the book *Zhuan Falun* for only two months.

On January 7, 2008, the Minghui Net claimed, a patient who suffered from AIDS fully recovered after three years Falun Gong practice.

Group 3. Falun Gong blesses and protects people

According to the “miraculous” stories, Falun Gong blesses people and can protect people against dangers such as collision or overturn of vehicles, electric shock, falling off a building, poisoning, fast, conflagration and flood, etc.

On October 13, 2006, the Minghui Net claimed in an article that, a 50 years old lady who died of reaching life span “came back into life” 20 days after her death because she promised to follow Falun Gong.

On December 16, 2007, the Minghui Net published a storied that, a drowned girl “came back into life” three hours after her death because her grandmother prayed to Master Li Hongzhi.

Group 4. Magical powers of Falun Gong

The “miraculous” stories suggest that, by practicing Falun Gong, many magical powers can be obtained which are as follows: Making cell phone calls without a battery; crossing walls like an X-ray; levitating off ground and going with the wind; opening of celestial eyes; animals understanding Falun Dafa; a couple having a child

without sexual life; an old lady having her periods again after the removal of her uterus...and so on so forth.

On October 25, 2003, the Minghui Net published an article claiming that, faulty TV sets and broken water pumps automatically performed original functions because their owners had been devoted to Falun Gong.

Group 5. Rejuvenation of Falun Gong practitioners

On the Minghui Net, stories such as “a withered tree brings forth flowers” and “an old lady getting on for seventy restarts her period” are often posted.

On September 27, 2003, the Minghui Net published an article, claiming that an old lady at the age of 75 became youthful as a result of silently reading “Falun Dafa is good” every day.

On May 25, 2005, the Minghui Net published another article, claiming that an old lady at the age of 85 restarted her period after silently reading “Falun Dafa is good” for two months and a half and her right-angled humpback turned straight.

Group 6. Curses at people and organizations that do not agree with Falun Gong

Cursing people is one of the major tasks of Falun Gong practitioners. On May 19, 2001, Li Hongzhi thought up a method at Canada Fa Conference to eliminate the “evil” Party and Chinese government – collectively “sending forth righteous thoughts” (or curse). It was said that by shouting slogans such as “the Fa rectifies the Cosmos; the Evil is completely eliminated (Fa Zheng Qian Kun, Xie E Quan Mie)” and “the Fa rectifies Heaven and Earth; immediate retribution in this lifetime (Fa Zheng Tian Di, Xian Shi Xian Bao),” etc, the “evils” would be eliminated or turned into watery blood.

Almost every day, the Minghui Net publishes articles on the subject of retribution. According to its stories, retribution will definitely overtake those who set against Falun Gong in the end. Examples are listed on the Net: The vice president of a court died of retribution; the secretary of a municipal Party committee was getting paid back for the

bad things he had done, etc.

Features of the “miraculous” stories. Most stories published on the Minghui Net and those fabricated by Li Hongzhi can be traced to the same origin – the initiator is Master Li himself. Since all people adopt pseudonyms and no specific whereabouts are mentioned, the “miraculous” stories hardly stand close scrutiny nor can they be verified by modern science.

For more information, please visit the Kaiwind websites at:

<http://www.kaiwind.com/> or <http://www.facts.org.cn/>

IV. Falun Gong Breaches Human Ethic and Morality

1. How Falun Gong views homosexuality

Li Hongzhi says that homosexuality is not human behavior. It is incest, immoral and crime. He says the homosexual people lose their sensibility and are psychologically dirty and abnormal, they are bad people and will be first eliminated by God.

Below are the comments of Li Hongzhi on homosexuality:

“When I talked about homosexuality while giving classes in the West, I said, ‘These wanton sexual practices in the West have gotten almost as bad as incest.’ Someone then brought up that ‘homosexuality is legally protected by the state.’...I told them [the students in the West], ‘To be perfectly frank, your government may approve of it, but your Lord does not!’” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“Repulsive homosexual behavior meanwhile bespeaks of a filthy, deviant state of mind that lacks rationality.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“Sexual freedom, which has mixed the human races and muddled human ethics, is absolutely forbidden by gods...You are committing a sin if you have sexual activity with someone who isn't your husband or your wife.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

When Li Hongzhi gave lectures in Frankfurt in May 1998 he said: “A man is given a wife. That was stipulated by gods. People now want to find a partner of the same sex. Gods think that people do that because they no longer have human values...You need to find yourself again and stop doing those filthy things. Gods view them as filthy...Gods would never permit a cultivator to do that kind of thing, nor would they permit everyday people to.” “They (homosexuals) have to correct this bad behavior, live nobly and upright

like a human being, find themselves, and break out of that dark state of mind.”

When Li Hongzhi gave lectures in Geneva in September 1998 he said: “Think about it, everyone: Is homosexuality human behavior? Heaven created man and woman. What was the purpose? To procreate future generations. A man being with a man, or a woman with a woman – it doesn’t take much thought to know whether that’s right or wrong. When minor things are done incorrectly, a person is said to be wrong. When major things are done incorrectly, it’s a case of people no longer having the moral code of human beings, and then they are unworthy of being human.”

“Gods’ first target of annihilation would be homosexuals. It’s not me who would destroy them, but gods.”

“Homosexuals not only violate the standards that gods set for mankind, but also damage human society’s moral code. In particular, the impression it gives children will turn future societies into something demonic.”

2. How Falun Gong views the mixed blood

Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, says that the mixed blood, the offspring of different races marriage or “hybrid,” is rootless and aberrant race, indicating that the human moral today is extremely bad.

According to Li Hongzhi, the existence of mixed-blood is a plot of alien beings to damage the link between human being and the heaven. When he lectured in Switzerland he said: “The alien beings mix up the races and separate humans from gods.” Li Hongzhi lists ten “evils”: mixed-blood, homosexual, computer users, tradition breakers, democracy believers, and “science worshipers,” etc. He encourages the mixed-blood to practice Falun Gong if they want to get out of the plight.

Below are the comments of Li Hongzhi on the mixed-blood:

“As far as humans go, people of mixed race no longer have corresponding human races in heaven.” (*Teaching the Fa at a New York Meeting, 1997*)

“Any ethnicity in the world is a race that corresponds with the heavens. After mixing blood people no longer have their correspondence to the gods in the heavens. And then it is possible that none of the gods that created humans will take care of them. Then with regard to these people, they are very pitiable.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Houston*)

“After races are mixed up, you will find one’s child born to be an infant of mixed blood. However, there is a partition in the middle of this child’s life. If it is separated, he will be physically and intellectually incomplete or a person with an incomplete body.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“This science was set up by aliens. Their purpose was to unify human beings and simplify their thoughts to the point of being as uniform as machines. And they unified knowledge to make it easy for them to later on control and replace human beings. Furthermore, they’ve chosen a few nationalities as the vanguards of their future, total control of humankind. Japan is the vanguard that drives technology. The United States is the vanguard in breaking away from all ancient cultures on earth. The cultures of even the most ancient and closed-off nations haven’t been able to escape. The whole world is being impacted by America’s modern culture. England was the vanguard in the manufacture of machinery during the early stages, and Spain was the vanguard for mixing the human races. The way alien beings get human beings to shake free of the gods is to mix the races, causing human beings to become rootless people, just like the plant hybrids people make nowadays. South Americans, Central Americans, Mexicans and some people in South East Asia – all of these races have been mixed. None of this can evade the gods’ eyes. Alien beings have made rather extensive preparations for overtaking human beings.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Switzerland*)

3. How Falun Gong views alien beings

Li Hongzhi says that the future of human being is dark, as the aliens from other planets will, by means of introducing modern sciences and technologies to human being, control human being and then eventually replace human being.

When Li Hongzhi was interviewed by *Time Magazine Weekly* in May 1999 he said:

“The biggest cause of society's change today is that people no longer believe in orthodox religion. They go to church, but they no longer believe in God. They feel free to do anything. The second reason is that since the beginning of this century, aliens have begun to invade the human mind and its ideology and culture.

“The aliens come from other planets.

“The aliens have introduced modern machinery like computers and airplanes. They started by teaching mankind about modern science, so people believe more and more science, and spiritually, they are controlled. Everyone thinks that scientists invent on their own when in fact their inspiration is manipulated by the aliens. In terms of culture and spirit, they already control man. Mankind cannot live without science.

“The ultimate purpose is to replace humans. If cloning human beings succeeds, the aliens can officially replace humans...The aliens will take that opportunity to replace the human soul and by doing so they will enter earth and become earthlings.

“When such people grow up, they will help replace humans with aliens. They will produce more and more clones. There will no longer be humans reproduced by humans. They will act like humans, but they will introduce legislation to stop human reproduction.

“One type looks like a human, but has a nose that is made of bone. Others look like ghosts.

“Future human society is quite terrifying. If aliens are not to replace human beings, society will destroy itself on its own.”

4. How Falun Gong views the disabled

Li Hongzhi not only shows a callous indifference to but also insults the disabled, and even prohibits his disciples from helping and taking care of the disabled.

Li Hongzhi says that the disabled people look ugly: “With a little hype from radio and

television, blind or handicapped singers with hoarse voices and those with repulsive looks become stars.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

Li Hongzhi thinks that one is disabled because of the bad things he had done in his previous life for which he hasn’t paid off the Karma completely. He stops his followers to care the disabled and take part in the well-being of the disabled.

“Why do people suffer? While living in this world people create karma. Some people’s karma is great, some people’s is small. Some people will be in pain before they die. With suffering they can pay off much of the karma created in one lifetime, and in the next life they will lead a good life.” If “they don’t want to be in pain, they don’t want to pay it off. Thus when they are born into their next lives they may come with sick bodies, or even be handicapped or have a short life.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Houston*)

“Disabled people have it too easy, then they can’t repay karma. In the next life they might be disabled again.” (*The Law of Zhuan Falun Explained*)

“The most important thing that you need to do today is to clarify the facts and save sentient beings...The government does provide care for handicapped people, after all, so you shouldn’t think about it too much. If you’re too attached to these things, then I can tell you, you can forget about cultivation.” (*Fa-Lecture During the 2003 Lantern Festival at the U.S. West Fa Conference*)

5. How Falun Gong views war and natural disaster

Li Hongzhi says that war is the best way to eliminate “Karma,” Nanking Massacre committed by the Japanese army, World War II, the holocaust committed by Hitler and many other war killings in the history are all brought about by the change of celestial phenomena.

“Do you know why wars, epidemics, and natural and man-made disasters happen in this world? They’re precisely because human beings have karma, and those events exist to remove it. No matter how wonderful a time period may be in the future, there will still be wars, epidemics, and natural and man-made disasters on earth. They are a way of

eliminating karma for people.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Switzerland*)

“When mankind reaches a certain point in time, its karma is enormous, and it is beyond redemption. Enormous karma such as that is something man can never pay off. He accumulates, over the course of many lifetimes, karma so massive that it is impossible to pay off, and thus these people are destined to be destroyed. What is meant by ‘be destroyed’? Small disasters take place and destroy people. War is the most expedient way, and that’s why history is what it is.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

In Li’s view, a man will carry with him “Karma” if he does something evil. If one’s Karma grows big enough, he will definitely become ill; and if an area’s Karma grows big enough, then earthquakes, floods or plagues will take place in this area. The reason why natural and man-made disasters stroke China is simply that the Chinese government has put a ban on Falun Gong.

“Karma resulting from past wrongdoing, one has illnesses or tribulations.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“What happens when people on a large scale have accumulated karma? Earthquakes, fires, floods, and even plagues and wars.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

“All of the natural and man-made disasters that have been happening in Mainland China are already warnings for the sins the beings there have committed against Dafa.” (*Dafa is Indestructible*)

In 2003 the SARS broke out in China. Li Hongzhi claimed that the SARS was the heaven punishing the bad people and an act of God to punish the people who persecuted the Dafa disciples; and he described the SARS sufferers as “useless people.”

“You must have seen the epidemic that’s come along in China now, right? Hasn’t a huge epidemic arrived? To put it in human terms, it’s Heaven punishing people...This is the first round of cleansing. Heaven is punishing the evil.” (*Teaching and Explaining the Fa*)

at the Metropolitan New York Fa Conference, April 20, 2003)

“You know about SARS in China, well, back in the past the old forces decided to [use it] to eliminate eight million people in China.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Vancouver, Canada, May 18, 2003*)

“The fact that SARS managed to appear in Beijing, and even managed to break into Zhongnanhai and topple a few of the Politburo Standing Committee members, I’ll tell you, this is not a simple matter of an infectious disease like the world’s people think it is. That’s where the evil seals things off the tightest. The evil has been annihilated to this degree, to the point that it can’t even guard its home nest, so Gods have been able to penetrate the center of its evil.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Midwest-U.S. Fa Conference*)

6. How Falun Gong views charities

Li Hongzhi thinks that natural disaster is the act of God to eliminate people through selection. The charities , which aim to help the victims from death or suffering , if done, will cause people “not to pay for his debt.” And that is doing something bad.

Li Hongzhi says: “Problems arise when mankind's karma reaches an enormous amount...When people grow bad they just weed them out. The tsunami's occurrence at this time was a warning to people – three hundred thousand people were gone within a matter of seconds. Back when the big Tangshan Earthquake struck China, didn't hundreds of thousands perish in a flash?” (*Teaching the Fa at the Western U.S. International Fa Conference*)

“After a certain time passes a large catastrophe occurs, and after some time a small catastrophe takes place. In a small catastrophe people are wiped out on a local scale; when a certain area has turned very bad it is destroyed. There are earthquakes, the submerging of continental plates, the spreading of sandstorms, or famines and wars. A small catastrophe is localized.” (*Zhuan Falun Vol. II*)

“Birth, old age, illness, and death exist as such for ordinary people. Due to karma

resulting from past wrongdoing, one has illnesses or tribulations; suffering is repaying a karmic debt, and thus nobody can casually change this. Changing it means that one would not have to repay the debt after being in debt, and this cannot be done at will. Doing otherwise is the same as committing a bad deed.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

Encouraged by Li’s words, the Falun Gong practitioners show no mercy to the victims of earthquakes and tsunami.

They believe that it is the disaster victims, dead or injured, who have actually caused the earthquake due to the tremendous and ineradicable crimes they once committed. These victims should have been “disposed and eliminated.” They were dead or disabled just because of their own doings and not worth sympathy.

On May 12, 2008, a huge earthquake measured 8.0 on Richter scale stroke Wenchuan, Sichuan Province, China. This earthquake resulted in 87,000 people death or missing, and an economic loss of RMB 84.51 billion. At such an earthquake, on May 24 when Li Hongzhi was giving lectures to his followers, he said that the great weeding-out is coming soon and we should save people as soon as possible, this is the first priority.”

In addition, Li Hongzhi doesn’t agree with the Falun Gong practitioners donating blood.

He says: “Your blood is just too precious to be injected into other people.” (*The Law of Zhuan Falun Explained*)

V. Falun Gong Impairs the Society

1. Attacking the civil satellites

From June 23 to 30, 2002, the Chinese Sino Communications Satellite was deliberately attacked by illegal signals. The illegal TV signals that carried Falun Gong propaganda were transmitted by oversea Falun Gong organization. These signals disrupted the normal rebroadcast function of Sino-sat and disabled the CCTV-9 and 10 provincial TV stations, as a result, the users in some parts of China could not receive the normal TV programs.

According to statistics, in a period from June 23, 2002 to August 7, 2007, the civil satellites such as SINOSAT-1, ASIAPACIFIC-6 and ASIA-3S were attacked by Falun Gong for 252 times with a total time up to 160 hours.

According to laws of China, UN Charter, and conventions and radio regulations of International Telecommunications Union, deliberately damaging and interfering normal satellite TV broadcast is illegal.

However, Falun Gong followers don't think it is a crime, they even think that promoting Falun Gong by satellite cut-in complies with Falun Dafa which is supreme.

2. Hacking into television broadcasts

On January 1, 2002, the Falun Gong followers Jing Wei and Li Xiangdong in Chongqing drove to a telegraph pole located outside the gate of China No.18 Metallurgic Construction Company at Shipingqiao to hack into television broadcasts. Falun Gong cult propaganda video was broadcast there for more than 70 minutes, and consequently hundreds of users of this cable TV net couldn't receive normal TV programs for several hours, and the users had no way but watch the Falun Gong cult programs.

On the evening of March 5, 2002, Falun Gong members Zhou Runjun, Liu Weiming and some other Falun Gong addicts cut off the CATV master optic cable for Changchun

City and inter cut the video carrying Falun Gong propaganda, and as a result some residents in four districts of this city could not watch the CATV programs.

In that evening a similar case also happened in Qianguo County, Songyuan City, Jilin Province, where the CATV stopped broadcasting for 210 minutes.

According to statistics made by the Chinese government, by the end of 2006, there had been more than 100 cases in China where Falun Gong organization was involved in damaging public communications facilities.

The reason that the Falun Gong members were engaged in damaging public communications facilities is that they were instigated by the Minghui Net, a website run by Falun Gong to guide Falun Gong followers.

On September 9, 2002, the Minghui Net published an article titled *Practical Method of Inserting Falun Gong Contents in CATV*, openly teaching the criminal method to insert TV programs.

On January 1, 2004, the Minghui Net published an article titled *Inserting Falun Gong Contents in CATV Is Heroic Righteous Act*, which read: "Any action to safeguard human rights in a peaceful way is reasonable and legal. To insert Falun Gong contents in a TV program, is just a way of spreading information and expressing their voices, and does harm neither to the audience nor to the facilities...Informing the public of the truth through such a way is to safeguard the public's right of being in the know and protect the public interests."

On September 28, 2006, the Minghui Net published another article titled *Inserting Falun Gong Contents Maintains the Right of Mainland Audience to Watch and Listen*, encouraging Falun Gong followers to insert Falun Gong program in the CATV through satellites.

There are hundreds of such articles on the Minghui Net.

Liu Weiming, the principal criminal of the crime of hacking into television broadcasts in Changchun on March 5, 2002, confessed that they planned to use the radio

transmission technologies reported on the Minghui Net and purchase 1,000 sets of devices to publicize the Falun Gong propaganda video around China.

Furthermore, the Minghui Net also has published a large amount of articles expressing the experience in damaging public communications facilities.

On September 29, 2003, the Minghui Net published *Ode for Inserted Broadcasting* to encourage the action attacking satellite: "I am happy to learn that Dafa disciples clarified the facts of Dafa to the public by means of inserting programs in China Educational TV, CCTV and a dozen more provincial TVs at 9 o'clock on August 12 and 13, 2003. Dafa disciples are reanimated to a great extent. I would like to extend my congratulations and respect to those participating in this act."

The Falun Gong disciples fearlessly insert programs because of the Minghui Net and other Falun Gong websites that teach crime measures and encourage the criminal actions.

In October 2002, an American Chinese called Li Xiangchun attempted to damage the communications cables in Yangzhou City, Jiangsu Province but failed. In the court he claimed: "These actions are not crimes as long as they aim at promoting the Dafa, i.e., Falun Gong."

3. Making annoying calls and sending junk emails

At about 11:00 p.m. of April 28, 2002, Zhang Fakui, a resident in Dongcheng District, Beijing, was awakened by a hurrying phone call. He got up in a hurry to answer the call but found that it was a record call promoting Falun Gong cult and spreading rumors. This is one of the first cases that China government received report of Falun Gong making dislikeful calls.

Since early 2002, the Falun Gong has been making phone calls to domestic phone users outside China by means of IP dial and group dial to play the illegal record. This seriously disturbed the normal life of the mass public and aroused the public repulsion and outrage. Just in 2002, China police authority received ten of thousands of such reports of

nuisance calls. In August 2002, Shanghai Police uncovered a case where Falun Gong illegally ran an IP business.

According to incomplete statistics, Falun Gong has made millions of nuisance calls each month to China from overseas by technical means. Falun Gong admitted on its website that it made more than 8 million calls from January to February 2004.

Since February 18, 2001, emails that advocated Falun Gong in anonymity began to appear on Internet. After this, the telecommunications companies around China received a lot of such complains. As reported by the staff from China Telecom Wuhan Filiale, they received such even five complains each week. The email sender uses covered identities and set the sender as the receiver, making the receiver feel unreasonable and annoyed. Incomplete statistics show that there are more than 30 million Falun Gong junk emails each month sent from overseas to China.

The Falun Gong websites like Minghui Net do not just teach the followers how to spoil the public communications facilities, a lot of articles and instructions can be readily found on such websites instigating the followers to sending junk emails and making nuisance phone calls.

On April 30, 2002, the Minghui Net published an article titled *My Experience in Truth Telling by Phone Call to China*, to teach the Falun Gong disciples how to make nuisance phone calls, "You can prepare 2 or 3 paid phone cards and it's better to use a card that can continue to dial. You can read the contents like a news announcer, but you need to get ready 1 or 2 copies, your pronunciation should be standard and imitate the announcer as much as possible both in tone and speech. Or you can make direct dial and start like this: Hello, I am an oversea Chinese, I want to tell you the latest news. Besides, you can also play the record or VCD."

On December 24, 2006, the Minghui Net published the collection of speeches at 2006 Australia Fa Conference, *Exchange of Experience in Truth-Clarifying by Phone Call*. This article states: "Dafa disciples from almost all over the world joined in such teams in the

worldwide and there were often organized actions to make phone calls to the key regions and key industries within China.”

On January 19, 2007, the Minghui Net published an article entitled *My Reflection on Collecting Phone Numbers for Truth-Clarifying*, teaching the Falun Gong practitioners how to classify phone numbers and make nuisance calls: “To collect numbers city by city and classify by categories such as street offices, residents committees, villagers committees, or public security bureaus, substations, dispatched stations and houses of detention, or press and information organs, etc. Once collected, it must be submitted to Minghui Net immediately.”

Li Hongzhi, the head of Falun Gong repeatedly gives sufficient affirmation of such nuisance and crime actions.

“Many students have been quietly doing large amounts of truth-clarifying work – passing out flyers, making phone calls, using the Internet, going to the consulates, and using all different forms of media to tell the world’s people the truth about Dafa.” (*Touring North America to Teach the Fa*)

“Don’t overlook any of the things that Dafa disciples do. Your every word, every flyer, every keystroke, every telephone call, and every letter is having a huge impact. Beings that have come to understand the facts become mobile media, and they too clarify the facts. It’s had a big impact on society.” (*Teaching the Fa at the 2003 Midwest-U.S. Fa Conference*)

4. Besieging and suing the media home and abroad for criticizing Falun Gong

Before Falun Gong was banned by Chinese government on July 22, 1999, tens of media were under organized attack by Falun Gong for reporting cases of death and mental disorder due to practicing Falun Gong.

The well-known media that have been besieged include: Guangming Daily, CCTV, China Youth Daily, Beijing TV Station, Shenyang TV Station, Liaoning Daily, Nangfang

Daily, Nanfang City News, Zhejiang Daily (Qiantang Weekend), Qianjiang Evening News, Qilu Evening News, Health News Digest, West China City Daily, Nanfang Rural News, Hebei Politics and Law News, Xinjiang Economic News, Wujing Daily, Xiamen Daily, Chinese Business View, Fuzhou Daily, Hefei Evening News, Chongqing Daily, Chengdu Business Daily, Cangzhou Daily, etc.

Hundreds of Falun Gong members sat at the gate of the news media with Falun Gong music playing. Some of them spread Falun Gong leaflets to passerby regardless of their attitude. Some of them swarmed offices to nag the editors and staff at work. Some made chain phone calls to harass the editors and reporters to such an extent that the editor-in-chief had to change his phone number...The Falun Gong followers even gave “warning” when they besieged the Chongqing Daily: If the press refused to apologize, we would destroy the unit with floods or even destroy the whole world before the due date preset by Li Hongzhi.

All these media organizations are located across the country.

On June 17, 1996, the Guangming Daily published an authored commentary in its opinion column. The commentary is titled *Alarm should Always Sound in Opposing Pseudoscience: A Topic Arising from Zhuan Falun*. The Falun Gong organizers in Beijing blocked the gate of the newspaper office in the name of holding Falun Gong Training Classes, some practitioners even threatened to “protect the Fa even at the cost of life.” One day in August 1996, a group of Falun Gong practitioners gathered at the gate again, demanding Xin Ping, the author of the article to apologize to Falun Gong.

From June 1 to 3, 1998, Qilu Evening News office was besieged illegally by over 3,000 Falun Gong practitioners for this newspaper published three articles in April that year, including *What is Falun Gong?*

On May 4, 1998, the Health News Digest published this article under another title *Illegal and Harmful Falun Gong*. The Falun Gong backbones organized over 400 practitioners to gather and make troubles at the gate of the office from June 8.

On May 24, 1998, the Beijing TV Station presented a program in its Beijing Express

called *Can the Certification Control Sweep out the False Qigongs*. This program mentioned a case that one Falun Gong practitioner went crazy. Consequently the TV station was besieged by thousands of Falun Gong practitioners.

After this event, in his "lection" *Digging Out the Roots* Li Hongzhi claims: "Some newspapers, radio stations and TV stations in various parts of the country have...harmd our Dafa...This was deliberately harming Dafa and cannot be ignored...Dafa disciples in Beijing adopted a special approach to ask those people to stop harming Dafa – this actually was not wrong."

In the same article, Li Hongzhi warns those Falun Gong people that didn't take part in the besiegement: "At the crucial moment when I ask you to break away from humanness, you do not follow me. Each opportunity will not occur again."

After being affirmed by Li Hongzhi, the Falun Gong disciples became more encouraged and fearless.

From April 19 to 23, 1999, the Tianjin Education College was besieged illegally by over ten thousand Falun Gong practitioners for the college magazine *Science Review for Juvenile* published an article by physicist He Zuoxiu titled *I don't Agree with Teenagers Practicing Falun Gong* which identified some problems of Falun Gong.

In Western countries Falun Gong exploits the besiegement and excessive lawsuit as a tool to protect its interest and never feels shame.

In December 2001, the Chinese media in North America region the China Press USA (Qiao Bao), Sing Tao Daily and Ming Bao were besieged by Falun Gong for publishing a report *Fu Yibin Kills his Father and Wife*.

On November 3, 2001, a Canadian press La Presse Chinoise (*Chinese Press*) published an article criticizing Falun Gong which is a personal narrative of He Bing, a former female Falun Gong member. However, Falun Gong lodged a lawsuit against the newspaper for its "libel." On December 7, 2005, the Supreme Court of Quebec of Canada made a final ruling for this four years long case: the accuser lost the suit. The written

judgment points out: “Falun Gong is a controversial movement, which does not accept criticism.”

In 2002, the Falun Gong organization in Victoria lodged a complain to Victoria Equity Committee against the Australia newspaper Huaxia Business for reason of discrimination because this newspaper reported a Falun Gong concerned activity held in Melbourne Chinatown by a Chinese community. In December 2004, the Victoria Equity Committee turned down the legal action by Falun Gong. This newspaper spent considerable time, manpower and efforts in dealing with the suit and was greatly annoyed.

In December 2003, the Australian newspaper Chinese Daily published a statement of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Australia, condemning Falun Gong. In May 2004, Falun Gong filed a lawsuit against the Chinese Daily to the supreme court of New South Wales for reason of defamation. After that, Falun Gong employed its media to mock Chinese Daily on a large scale, and made personal attacks on the chief editor and the editors. On April 5, 2006, the supreme court of New South Wales ruled: Falun Gong lost and Chinese Daily won the suit.

On January 21, 2005, the Associated Press (AP) published an article titled *Chinese Show off Repentant Falun Gong* which presents an objective report of the current status of the persons involved and their meditation on Falun Gong after the self-burning event occurred on the Lunar New Year's Eve of 2001. On the morning of January 25, 2005, Falun Gong organized its followers to protest at the Manhattan-based headquarters, and demanded the AP to withdraw this report. On February 11, Falun Gong media the Epoch Times published an article calling the AP "down-to-earth small bastard."

In the first half of year 2006, the Great Wall Platform cooperated with Rogers Company to apply to CRTC for program broadcasting rights, aiming to spread TV programs relating Chinese culture in Canada. Such a local Chinese cultural and recreational affair was obstructed by Falun Gong by all means. Between March and June of 2006, Falun Gong organized its members for many times to demonstrate before the Rogers' headquarters in Toronto, which severely affected the normal running of Rogers

Company. On December 22, 2006, the Great Wall Platform gained permission to open its business in Canada.

On February 6, 2008, the New York Times published a news feature titled *A Glimpse of Chinese Culture That Some Find Hard to Watch*. Soon after, the Falun Gong websites published dozens of articles successively attacking and defaming New York Times and the author Eric Konigsberg. The articles claimed that Eric Konigsberg was well-known by his ill reputation... and was absolutely inhuman.

In the eyes of Falun Gong, anyone and any media don't have the freedom to criticize Falun Gong. According to the "Supreme Directives" of Li Hongzhi, any criticism of Falun Gong is defaming the Dafa and is not intolerable.

In addition, Falun Gong uses "hacker techniques" to attack websites of interest and forces readers to browse its web pages.

On October 4, 2002, several news websites of Chinese newspapers and magazines in Hongkong were infringed by Falun Gong. When readers were viewing websites like Xing Tao Daily, Ming Daily and Apple Daily, the readers were automatically skipped to Falun Gong website in Canada. Falun Gong used the same techniques to invade famous websites Sina and Sohu.

5. Harassing persons who have a different view of Falun Gong

In November 1998, BBC World broadcasted a report from correspondent James Miles on Falun Gong. This report identified Falun Gong as the No.1 cult in China, and warned people that Falun Gong may lead to mass suicide. In response, Falun Gong immediately organized its followers to write to BBC president, Britain Ambassador to China and Britain Prime Minister, and demanded BBC to openly apologize. They even threatened BBC reporters that criticizing Falun Gong harms the public interest of China society and breaches severely the provisions of Chinese law and violates seriously the general provisions of China civil law, it jeopardizes the social stability of China, is a smear

of the modern development of Chinese people, and it is unfriendly to and irresponsible for the Chinese people and China government. "The reaction was quite extraordinary," says correspondent James Miles, "more response than to any article I've ever written in my entire career."

On November 1, 1999, the Wall Street Daily published a report by correspondent Craig S. Smith titled *American Dream Finds Chinese Spiritual Leader*, pointing out that Li Hongzhi possesses a luxurious house in New Jersey. After this the spokesman of Li Hongzhi and dozens of Li's disciples made calls, faxes and sent emails to Smith to question and warn him.

In San Francisco, USA, an expert on Falun Gong issue Samuel Luo, whose parents are both Falun Gong practitioners, has made deep study of Falun Gong and opened a website (www.exposingthefalungong.org) to reveal the true face of Falun Gong. In 2005, the domain supplier received a letter of complain from Falun Gong, asking for the identity and contact information about Samuel Luo. But in this letter more denouncement on Luo is found than legal objection. The letter claims that Luo defamed Falun Gong on his website and this is "very immoral." The letter accused Luo of recognizing the inhuman treatment and killing of Falun Gong practitioners. They thought that Luo used the term Falun Gong and infringed their trade mark right, and demanded Luo's website be closed down. But the American Civil Liberties Union decided that this "did not violate trademark law." In the summer of the same year, the International Cult Studies Association (ICSA) held its annual meeting in Spain and Luo was invited to give a speech. Several weeks before the meeting, the ICSA official was forced to cancel Luo's speech for one lawyer representing Spain Falun Gong organization threatened to file a lawsuit against them.

Miss Kerre Woodham, a famous TV host in New Zealand has also been harassed and threatened by Falun Gong for she published an article in November 2007 and appealed for baring Falun Gong from the Auckland Santa Parade.

The actions of Falun Gong to breach the freedom of speech don't gain any support even in the USA.

In 2006, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce (CCC) in San Francisco refused Falun Gong to take part in the Lunar New Year parade because Falun Gong concealed “political motivation.” The Falun Gong placed a lawsuit against the CCC, claiming that CCC refusing Falun Gong to take part in the parade is an action of discrimination and violates the civil rights law of San Francisco. On May 30, 2008, the Court of Appeal in San Francisco ruled, “The First Amendment bars the government from compelling the chamber to include in the presentation of its message the very different message communicated by Falun Gong.” The three-judge panel said the chamber therefore had the right to exclude groups whose messages it disagreed with. The Chamber’s annual street fair and flower fair are protected by the right of free speech in the same way as the parade. (*Bay City News Service, June 2, 2006*)

VI. Falun Gong Violates Human Rights

1. Does Falun Gong respect human rights

The most abominable crimes committed by Falun Gong are killings and the infringements of human rights.

Under the spiritual control of Li Hongzhi, more than 200 Falun Gong practitioners committed suicide.

According to incomplete statistics, a total of 136 obsessed Falun Gong practitioners “let go of life and death” and committed suicide by July 22, 1999. Among these people, 4 burned themselves, 38 jumped off high buildings or cliffs, 1 jumped down from a truck, 26 jumped into rivers or wells, 25 hanged themselves, 2 fasted to death, 28 poisoned themselves, and 12 cut themselves to death or killed themselves on the railway. Another 103 people committed suicide in order to “ascend to the paradise” from July 23, 1999 to March 1, 2001.

- Liu Yongfeng, a worker of Miaoling Wear-resisting Alloy Factory in Ganjingzi District, Dalian, Liaoning Province, was haunted by the saying “the Doomsday is coming” after practicing Falun Gong and thus became distraught. She lighted a gas cylinder and burned herself to death at the age of 44.

- Yang Qiugui, a native of Yujiang County, Jiangxi Province, left for UK to study for a doctor’s degree in October 1996. He learned to practice Falun Gong through the Internet. On June 1, 1998, he jumped down from a high building to “promote the Fa” in Frankfurt of Germany, and died at the age of 26.

- Wang Xiuyun, a retired worker from Xinxing Knitting Factory of Tangshan City in Hebei Province, after she practiced Falun Gong, always talked again and again that she “was fed up with worldly life” and “would ascend to the paradise,” and “saw a lotus throne flying in the sky” and “would become immortal as soon as sitting on it.” Her family

members accompanied her day and night in case of an accident. On January 24, 1998, taking advantage of her family's negligence, she jumped down from her apartment and died at the age of 50.

- Ma Jianmin, a retiree from Petro China Huabei Oilfield Company, always felt that "there is a Falun rotating in his belly" after he practiced Falun Gong. On September 4, 1998, he cut open his belly with a pair of scissors in order to find the "Falun" and died at the age of 54.

- Feng Lifeng, a farmer from Liujiading Town, Jixian County, Tianjin, often felt that there was a hawk pecking at her head after she fell obsessed with Falun Gong. She said to her husband: "The more I practice, the more I fear, and the more I fear, the more I want to practice." "I am prepared to go to the heaven." On March 31, 1999, she cut off her vein in the wrist, then jumped into a pond and died at the age of 32. She left over to her family a letter written with blood which said: "You should study Dafa hard."

- Liu Pinqing, a senior agronomist from Donggang City, Liaoning Province, after practicing Falun Gong, often felt that Master Li Hongzhi wanted him to reach Consummation. On April 27, 1999, he threw himself into a well and died at the age of 58.

- Li Youlin, a farmer from Anshu Town, Dongliao County, Jilin Province, was obsessed with Falun Gong. On May 21, 1999, he said to his wife: "Tomorrow (April 8, Lunar calendar) is the Master's birthday, I would like to celebrate his birthday, and pray for him by burning some joss sticks." The next day he hanged himself at the age of 48. On the site, there was the photo of Li Hongzhi and the leftovers of seven joss sticks.

- Chang Haochi, a student from Shanxi Coal Industry Cadre Management College, believed that his cultivation had already "reached Consummation" and he could "ascend to the paradise." On July 4, 1999, at the age of 27, he and his fellow practitioner Li Jinzhong aged 50, sat cross-legged and face to face, committed self-immolation and died.

- Tan Yihui, a Falun Gong practitioner from Changde, Hunan Province, was obsessed with Falun Gong and poisoned by Li Hongzhi. On February 16, 2001, he committed self-immolation and died at the age of 26, on the Wanshou Road, Beijing.

- Luo Guili, a student of the 1998 class majoring in refrigeration and air-conditioning in Guangxi Light Industry Technology School, burned himself to death on the Nationality Square in Nanning City so as to “get rid of attachments” on July 1, 2001. He said: “The reason I will burn myself is that I have learnt the Dafa. No other reasons.”

- Li Xiaoying, a Falun Gong practitioner from Shijiazhuang City, Hebei Province, burned herself to death on the east pavement at south entrance of Nanchang Street, Beijing.

All these people were spiritually controlled by Falun Gong. Li Hongzhi’s words were the direct cause of their death.

“The ultimate goal of cultivating is to attain the Dao and reach spiritual Perfection.”
(*Zhuan Falun*)

“If you can let go of life and death, you’re a God; if you can’t let go of life and death, you’re a human.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Fa Conference in Australia*)

“I also want to bring humankind a magnificent scene at the time of your Consummation. My thought is this: Have all Dafa disciples, regardless of whether they need bodies or not, elevate their bodies into the sky and then fly away; those who don’t need bodies will have their bodies go through Light-Transformation in the air.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Europe*)

On July 5, 1998, after informed that eight Falun Gong practitioners in Hainan Province had a traffic accident on their way to Sanya for spreading Falun Gong, Li Hongzhi wrote to Jiang Xiaojun, the former director of Falun Gong Assistant Station in Hainan, saying: “The eight disciples of mine have reached Consummation in their different worlds.” In fact, seven died and one wounded.

More than 30 people have been killed by obsessed Falun Gong practitioners who had gone mad.

- Wang Xuezhong, a Falun Gong practitioner from Jiahe County, Hunan Province, regarding his father as a devil, made seventeen cuts on the head, neck and chest of his father, until his father died on spot on August 23, 1996.

- Jiang Chaojun and Jiang Xiuxia, a couple, farmers from Jidong County, Heilongjiang Province, both fell obsessed with Falun Gong and were eager to ascend to the “paradise” and become gods. On the night of December 3, 1997, Jiang committed suicide after killing his wife with a knife, and orphaned their 13-year-old daughter and 10-year-old son.

- Wu Deqiao, a worker of supplying and marketing community from Wujiang City, Jiangsu Province, cut his wife to death with a kitchen knife on the night of February 26, 1998, just because his wife tried to stop him as he was practicing Falun Gong. Wu believed that a woman around would affect his practicing.

- Dong Ning, a worker from Changhong Electric Motor Company, Weihai City, Shandong Province, believed that he was going to reach Consummation. On January 7, 1999, Dong hit and injured his coworkers with a mould. The next day, he ran after his father with a knife who narrowly and luckily escaped, but unfortunately a neighbor and her son were injured. He said: “Someone called me to take away my relatives or friends. Killing a person would make me reach Consummation, and then I can save people.”

- Li Ting, a Falun Gong practitioner in Chengde City, Hebei Province, killed his own parents cruelly on March 20, 1999. He said: “My parents are devils, while I’m Buddha. I should eradicate these two.”

- Zhu Changjiu, a Falun Gong practitioner from Qingta Town, Renqiu City, Hebei Province, killed his parents at home on November 26, 1999, just because his parents burnt down his Falun Gong books.

- Tong Yan, a worker from a water supply company of Liaohe Oil Field, on the night of December 16, 1999, she shouted “up to the heaven” and killed her own daughter Xu Che on the bed, who was only six years old. Later Tong confessed: “A devil told me that I could cultivate into a Buddha if I killed my daughter.”

- Yuan Runtian, a Falun Gong practitioner from Lanhe Town, Panyu City, Guangdong Province, regarded Huang Daisheng, an old man in the same village with her, as a devil offending her in the other space after she was spellbound by Falun Gong. She hurt Huang Daisheng seriously with a knife on February 6, 2000.

- Lan Yunchang, a Falun Gong practitioner from Zhuyu Village, Daxiang Town, Rong'an County, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region. On April 16, 2001, he axed to death Wei Shaoming, a lone elderly man from the same village. Lan said: "I sent him to the Falun world for a happy life, and I will follow him after reaching Consummation."

- Guan Shuyun, a woman in Yichun City, Heilongjiang Province. On April 22, 2002, claiming to eliminate devils, Guan choked to death her own daughter Dai Nan, a girl under nine, to the face of dozens of fellow practitioners in order to reach Consummation and ascend to the paradise.

- Chen Fuzhao, a Falun Gong practitioner from Zhejiang Province, poisoned and killed fifteen junkmen or beggars and one Buddhist from May 25 to June 26, 2003, for the sake of improving his "Gong powers."

Why did these Falun Gong practitioners kill people or even their family members? Let's look at what Li Hongzhi has told his followers.

"Mankind is going bad, demons are everywhere." (*Zhuan Falun*)

"There are demons interfering and not letting you practice." (*Zhuan Falun*)

"Family members may be controlled by demons and the like." (*The Law of Zhuan Falun Explained*)

"The wretched demons just deserve to be killed." (*Explaining the Content of Falun Dafa*)

"If the evil has already reached the point where it is unsavable and unkeepable, then various measures at different levels can be used to stop it and eradicate it... Completely eliminating the evil is for Fa-rectification, and not a matter of personal cultivation." (*Beyond the Limits of Forbearance*)

More than 1,000 Falun Gong practitioners rejected medical help and died because they believed in Li Hongzhi's fallacy of "Removing Karma."

Falun Gong is a cult which has done great harm to people's body and soul. Most people were lured into the cultic trap by Li Hongzhi who promised followers a healthy body. After practicing Falun Gong, many obsessed practitioners firmly believed in Master Li's teachings and refused medical help; some even lost their lives as a result. Actually, had they received medical treatment in time, many of them would have recovered. But they lost the ability of self-control and went further down the evil way of Falun Gong. Leaving everything including their lives to Falun Gong, many practitioners took a way to death.

- **Li Shulin** was a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Jinzhou Petrochemical Corporation. In August of 1994, he went a long way to Heilongjiang's Harbin to attend the Fa classes given by Li Hongzhi. He fell down on the ground of the room as a result of a cerebral thrombosis burst. His family asked Master Li Hongzhi to send out the magical "Gong" to save him. But Li Hongzhi said it was the natural reaction of practicing Falun Gong, and that Li Shulin did not need any medical treatment. Eventually, Li Shulin failed to receive in-time treatment and died away from his home town.

- **Liu Fengqin** was a retiree of Tianjin Posts and Telecommunications Apparatus Company. After practicing Falun Gong, she believed that she was no longer an "ordinary" person. When her shinbone fractured in a traffic accident, she refused to get medical treatment. She said, "I almost achieved Dafa. I'd rather die than be sent to hospital." At last, her body was from bad to worse, and she died on December 27, 1997, aged 60. Just before she died, she still shouted, "Master, save me, Master! Master! "

- **Xiao Hemei**, an employee of Anshan Railway Station, Liaoning Province, was ill with rheumatoid disease. Since she started practicing Falun Gong, she had never taken any medicines or injection. As a result, she suffered from general dropsy for three times. Every time she was going to the hospital to take some examinations, she was stopped by her husband, the deputy director of Falun Gong Assistant Station in Anshan. She died on June 12, 1998, aged 42.

• **Zhang Jinsheng**, was a farmer from Fuxin, Liaoning Province, and a Falun Gong practitioner. In 1997, his arm was burnt. He refused any medical treatment, claiming that Master Li Hongzhi was “removing Karma” for him. The wound deteriorated quickly and he died on November 11, 1998, aged 21.

• **Bai Yunxiu**, a retiree from Hengyang City, Hunan Province, started practicing Falun Gong in the summer of 1995. In July, 1998, Bai Yunxiu ran a fever. Her daughter asked her to see a doctor, but she refused stubbornly. When she was terminally ill on December 10, she still stayed at home and read scriptures written by “the Master.” Finally, she was too ill to hold on, then let her husband read it for her. Thus when her husband was reading, she fell down on the sofa and died.

• **Xian Dong**, an employee of Hainan Yacha Farm, had been hospitalized for liver disease. After practicing Falun Gong, he believed that Li Hongzhi’s “Fashen (Law Body)” could protect him so he rejected any medical treatment. He got a rapid deterioration and died on July 20, 1999, aged 35.

• **Xu Suzhen** was a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Province. From 1997, she had been practicing Falun Gong for nine hours every day. Yet she still suffered rheumatism. She refused any treatment because she thought that “it is the Master removing the Karma for me, and as soon as the Karma is removed, I’ll get well.” She was so ill and died on June 2, 1999, aged 49.

• **Zhao Xueping** lived in Haidian District, Beijing. She suffered from breast cancer before practicing Falun Gong. Her disease took a clearly favorable turn after medical treatment. After practicing Falun Gong she was bewitched by Li Hongzhi that her Master would bless and protect her, so she refused any further treatment. Her disease worsened and she died on August 7, 1998 at the age of 42. She said remorsefully before she died: “It is Falun Gong that drives me to death.”

• **Wang Zhexing** was a retiree of Beijing Gear Factory. In early June, 1999, he got a fever. He said it was “removing Karma” and kept on practicing Falun Gong, refusing any

medical treatment. Later, his children sent him to hospital by force; he pulled out the needle and rejected any treatment. He passed away on June 14.

- **Zhang Fengying**, a retiree of Zhumadian Cultural Palace in Henan Province, refused any medical treatment when she suffered from a heart disease after practicing Falun Gong. She said Li Hongzhi would cure her of the disease. She said her husband was a devil because he urged her to receive medical treatment. She died of myocardial infarction at the age of 55 on December 4, 1998.

- **Hu Xianzhi** was a teacher of Baita Middle School, Jiangnan District, Langzhong City, Sichuan Province. He treated Li Hongzhi's words as Bible. Having a pancreatitis, he still insisted on practicing Falun Gong when he was suffering from bellyache. Lacking in-time medical treatment, the pancreas became necrotic and resulted in his death.

- **Liu Shuhua** was a civil servant of Xiangfang District, Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province. After practicing Falun Gong, she refused to be sent to hospital when her hepatitis relapsed. She believed that if she went to see a doctor, her "level" would descend, her practicing would lead to no effect, and the Master would no longer protect her. On April 11, 1999, she died of rejecting medical help, aged 52.

- **Hu Guangying**, a retired worker of Shanghai, contracted scabies, a very common kind of skin disease, in July 2000. She was so obsessed by Falun Gong that she refused medical treatment. Only half a year later, she passed away. What is more lamentable, Zhou Licheng, her husband who was also poisoned by Falun Gong, thought that his wife "had gone up to the heaven."

- **Kuang Guanglan**, a worker of Shaoguan Special Steel Plant in Guangdong Province, started to practice Falun Gong at the beginning of 1998. She believed the fallacy that Falun Gong could cure people of any diseases. She refused to receive medical treatment after practicing Falun Gong. As a result, her colonitis turned for the worse. She fell into a trance and was unable to extricate herself. She attempted to commit suicide for three times, and finally killed herself by drinking a farm chemical on April 28, 1998.

Why did these Falun Gong practitioners reject medical help? Let's see what Master Li has told them.

"I've told you that when we cultivators feel uncomfortable somewhere in our bodies it isn't sickness." (*Teaching the Fa in New York City, 1997*)

"Since hospitals cannot eliminate karma and doctors are not practitioners, they do not therefore have such mighty virtues. They are technicians among ordinary people, who can only remove pains on the surface and leave such illnesses for you in a deeper dimension. Taking medicine is to suppress them inside the body and is as good as accumulating them. One may not feel the pain on the surface, but it is deposited in the deeper level of the body. Performing a surgery is also the same. For instance, suppose that one has a tumor and has it removed. He has only cut off the matter on the surface while the genuine cause of illness is in another dimension, which has not been touched." (*Lecture in Sydney*)

"It is the karma accrued lifetime after lifetime that causes sickness." (*Teaching the Fa in New York City, 1997*)

"When you take medicine now you're killing this sickness or the virus at the surface...But it nonetheless accumulates over there. Life after life human beings are accumulating this stuff. When the accumulation reaches a certain extent, the person becomes incurable and when he dies he's totally destroyed." (*Teaching the Fa in New York City*)

Facts clearly indicate that Falun Gong, flaunting the banner of protecting human rights, doesn't respect human rights at all; on the contrary, it willfully tramples on people's human rights.

2. Falun Gong does harm to women

Most victims of Falun Gong are women.

The statistics from All-China Women's Federation show that women and old people constitute the majority of the Falun Gong practitioners, and they are the most vulnerable to temptation of **Li Hongzhi's** fallacies. First, they believe the fallacy of Falun Gong without a

shadow of doubt and insist on practice. Second, they would give up their jobs, families, affections, and even their lives in order to reach the so-called Consummation.

- On January 23, 2001, Hao Huijun, Chen Guo and other five people who were obsessed by Falun Gong went to Tian'anmen Square and set themselves on fire collectively in order to "ascend to the heaven and reach Consummation." Two of them died and three were badly wounded and crippled.

- On November 2, 2005, Li Xiaoying, a Falun Gong practitioner from Shijiazhuang, Hebei Province, burned herself to death on the east pavement at south entrance of Nanchang Street, Beijing.

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Absurd mode of thinking leads to absurd behaviors. Those obsessed by Falun Gong will look upon life and everything in the ridiculous way instilled by the cult. Female Falun Gong practitioners are usually more dependent and they have a low estimation of their ability. Once obsessed by Falun Gong, they are more passive in doing things, thinking Li Hongzhi would arrange everything for them and they have nothing to worry about in their future. Therefore, they leave everything including the sick body, family troubles, and confused sentiments in Li Hongzhi's care. They act upon whatever Li Hongzhi says. Even when Li Hongzhi asks them to "ascend to the heaven" and "reach the Consummation," they will burn themselves to death accordingly.

Jiang Yongping, an associate researcher at the Woman Studies Institute of All-China Women's Federation, said: "Li Hongzhi controls the female mentally by making use of their weaknesses and drives them on the way to self-destruction. Falun Gong is a slaughterer harming the female cruelly."

Poisoned by the evil theories of Falun Gong, some women were killed by their fellow practitioners, and some became murderers.

- On the night of February 25, 1998, Wei Deqiao, from Jiangsu Province, cut his wife to death with a kitchen knife, just because his wife tried to stop him practicing Falun Gong, and Wu regarded that a woman around would affect his practicing.

- On February 20, 2001, Wei Zhihua, a Falun Gong practitioner from Longgang District of Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, saw through the evil nature of Falun Gong, and swore: “Never again to be a follower of Li Hongzhi.” Treated as a devil destroying the Dafa, she was trussed up by her husband and several Falun Gong obsessed followers, and her mouth and nose were covered. She died of suffocation.

- At about 5:00 p.m. on November 25, 2001, Fu Yibin, a Falun Gong practitioner from Xicheng District, Beijing, killed his own father and his wife, and seriously wounded his own mother. According to Fu's confession, in the afternoon of the same day, he was “awakened” to the truth that it was time for his family to “leave.” Thus the tragedy happened.

- On March 1, 2002, Lin Chunmei and Wen Yuping, two Falun Gong followers from Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, brutally strangled Mai Xinping, a waitress of Hongbin Hostel in Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province in order to “save people.” In an interview with a journalist, Lin said: “Although you regard us as killers, actually we have done a good deed for saving her and sending her to the paradise for happiness.”

Cheated by Falun Gong, some female followers gave up their love and family in order to propagate Falun Gong. Some even became sexual slaves. They were damaged both mentally and physically.

On February 3, 2008, the Minghui Net that “guiding” Falun Gong followers in their cultivation, published two cases.

In order to help others to learn Falun Gong, a female disciple was forced to married a man she did not love by her fellow practitioners, since they told her: “If you don’t marry him, he will not obtain the Fa; that’s the most serious crime you’ll commit.”

Another female practitioner was seduced by a man who promised to teach her the

real Dafa. The woman became pregnant, bore a baby, and lived with the man. Later, she made up her mind to leave him. But some senior followers persuaded her to go back to the man. Their reason was that she should not let her family go against the Dafa. They told her, in order to “maintain the Fa,” she should sacrifice.

Instigated by Li Hongzhi, some Falun Gong practitioners took an evil way – “male-female dual cultivation,” i.e. sexual promiscuities.

- Policemen in Shandong Province arrested several Falun Gong practitioners who were performing “male-female dual cultivation” in the Gongshangxincun, Laixi City. Propaganda materials, condoms, and love potions were seized on the spot.

- In 2003, more than ten Falun Gong practitioners from Henan Province, were caught by the police in Zhumadian City, when they were performing “male-female dual cultivation.” Those involved Falun Gong practitioners included old women and men in their seventies, boys and girls in youth, and even mothers and daughters, sisters and brothers.

Li Hongzhi said: “In the community of cultivators, there is a cultivation practice called double cultivation of a man and a woman...Double cultivation of a man and a woman is for collecting yin to supplement yang and vice versa with mutual complement for mutual cultivation, enabling the goal of balancing yin and yang to be achieved.” (*Zhuan Falun*)

“What is for human beings conventional wisdom is inverted...Many of the things that mankind considers bad are good. And many things that mankind considers good are bad.” (*Teaching the Fa in Canada, 2006*)

“Cultivation principles are the opposite of those of human beings.” (*Teaching the Fa in San Francisco, 2005*)

3. Falun Gong does harm to children

Like other cults in the world, Falun Gong puts children under its duress and does harm to them.

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights of the United Nations emphasizes that

children are entitled to special care and assistance. And *The Convention on the Rights of the Child* affirms that “every child has the inherent right to life” and “shall ensure to the maximum extent possible the survival and development of the child.” Falun Gong openly defied these two documents. It set up training classes for children and enrolled them as Falun Gong practitioners.

Li Hongzhi said time and again: “The celestial eyes of the children under six will be opened if they read the books on Falun Gong. They will see the wheel of Fa turning.” He also said that they could “go up to the heaven and down into the earth and become immortals by cultivation.” He encouraged the Falun Gong organization to stretch out its claws to the children. When giving lectures in Hubei’s Wuhan City and Guizhou Province, Li Hongzhi demanded the heads of Falun Gong Assistant Stations “to organize the children.” Under the encouragement of Li Hongzhi, Falun Gong organizations set up children’s training classes in Beijing, Guangzhou, Wuhan, Nanchang, Zunyi, and so on. Such classes were held twice in Nanchang during the summer vacation of 1998. 160 children participated, among whom the oldest were 12 and the youngest 4.

Li Hongzhi cuts off the blood lineage between parents and children. He opposes his followers’ caring for their children or sending their sick children to hospital.

On May 3, 1999, a Dafa disciple asked: “Do cultivators’ very young children need to go see the doctor?” Li Hongzhi answered: “People who are genuine cultivators. Your bodies will all be transformed into Buddha-bodies, and that’s something that cannot be achieved by doctors no matter what treatment they administer...The type of child I just talked about – who came from high levels – came to obtain the Fa. They don’t have any karma, and they won’t have any health problems.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Fa Conference in Australia*)

On May 24, 2008, when some followers asked him what he thought of some children followers’ illness and death, Li Hongzhi said: “Some children transmigrate into your family because it has historical causes with you and come to help you. Some help you through.

Some learn with you. Some of us followers of the Dafa cherish affection too much. They value their children more than cultivation. Consequently, they push their children to the most dangerous place.”

Many children practitioners show signs or symptoms of dysphrenia and schizophrenia because of practicing Falun Gong.

Filthy ideas have been instilled into children practitioners by their obsessed parents from an early age. Such children usually have auditory and visual hallucinations, nightmares; some are so frightened that they become absentminded.

The Column of Children Followers is purposely designed on the Minghui Net. Many so-called “miracles” such as “opening celestial eyes” and other symptoms of dysphrenia, like auditory and visual hallucinations are publicized. For example, some children followers said they saw swarms of snake-like monsters and three-eyed long animals at one time and one red dragon and a yellow dragon twisted together at another. Others said they saw their space was full of devils, and even the cracks were filled with devils. Still others said they saw the image of Buddha smiling in front of them when they closed their eyes and chanted “getting rid of all devils that disturb the righteous Fa.” But the eyes of the image of Buddha suddenly gave out green light and they were frightened to open their eyes and begged their master for help immediately. Their master shone a golden light on the evil immortal and the latter exploded like a balloon.

Affected by Li Hongzhi’s fallacy, Falun Gong practitioners’ cognition and behavior have been awfully distorted. Some obsessed practitioners staged tragedies and did harm to others. Among victims of Falun Gong, many were children.

- **Self-immolation and suicide**

Liu Siying, female, born in March 1988, was a Grade 5 student in a primary school. Following her mother Liu Chunling, she practiced Falun Gong at home in 1999. On January 23, 2001, she took part in the group self-burning at Tian’anmen Square and was badly injured by the fire. The burned area accounted for 40% of her skin; she had

difficulties in breathing, and her face and head suffered a 4-level burn. She failed to respond to emergency treatments and died in hospital.

Chen Ying, 17 years old, a senior high school student in Grade 2 of Shuren High School of Jiamusi City, Heilongjiang Province, was mentally deranged due to obsession with Falun Gong. On August 16, 1999, Chen jumped out from the train No.439 from Beijing to Jiamusi and died.

● **Fathers killed themselves holding their children in arms**

Gao Encheng, male, 42 years old, was a cadre in the Trade and Industry Office of Tianbai Town, Kaixian County, Chongqing, and also the head of a Falun Gong practice site. He firmly believed what Li Hongzhi had claimed, that when a practitioner reached a certain level of practice, he would “gather three flowers on top of his head; produce Immortal Infant (yuanying); return to the original self; and ascend to the heaven after death.” On November 6, 1998, he jumped from the fourth floor carrying his son, and died after failing to respond to emergency treatment. His son survived after emergency treatment.

Long Gang, male, 31 years old, was a farmer from Yongchuan, Chongqing. He began to practice Falun Gong in 1997, and soon he was always in a trance. He often said the earth would be destroyed, and he would fly to the sky to avoid the disaster. On the morning of July 17, 1999, Long Gang jumped into a river carrying his son under 6 years old. His son was rescued in time and survived, but he died.

● **Death caused by rejecting medical treatment**

Song Shuanglong, a 12-year-old boy, lived in Nanguan District, Changchun City, Jilin Province. Since he had two more pieces of cartilage in his back nasal cavity after birth, he had been treated in hospitals off and on. In 1996, his mother Ma Xiurong began to practice Falun Gong, and become convinced that Falun Gong was able to cure all diseases, so she asked her son to practice too. However, Song Shuanglong’s condition didn’t improve but became worse. His eyes became blurred at first, and then he went blind at last. On the New Year’s Day of 1999, Song’s symptoms suddenly became more serious.

Ma Xiurong still guided him to perform Falun Gong actions even it was hard for Song to stand up. Song died at home on May 12.

- **Parents killed their own children**

Tong Yan, a worker from a water supply company of Liaohe Oil Field, at the night on December 16, 1999, she shouted continuously “up to the heaven” and killed her own daughter Xu Che on the bed, who was only 6 years old. Later Tong confessed: “A devil told me that I could cultivate into a Buddha if I killed my daughter.”

Dong Li, male, 37 years old, a villager from Dapingfang Town, Chaoyang County, Chaoyang City, Liaoning Province. At the night on February 3, 2002, Dong bewitched by Li Hongzhi’s fallacy, smashed mercilessly his wife and daughter in deep sleeping with a pick. His 37-year-old wife, Meng Xiurong, died, and his 14-year-old daughter, Dong Yudan, was seriously wounded.

Guan Shuyun, a woman lived in Yichun City, Heilongjiang Province, began to practice Falun Gong in April, 1997. On April 22, 2002, claiming to eliminate devils, Guan choked to death her own daughter Dai Nan, a girl under nine, to the face of dozens of fellow practitioners in order to reach Consummation and ascend to the paradise.

Li Yanzhong, male, 35 years old, was a worker in Tianjin Dagang Oil Field. At about 4:00 a.m. on the morning of July 10, 2005, Li killed with a kitchen knife his 6-year-old daughter Li Yue and his 6-year-old nephew Zhang Xin. Li Yanzhong confessed: “I have practiced Falun Gong for nine years, and I don’t know why I always want to kill people.” “At that time the idea of killing people was full of my mind, and I was controlled by some ‘bad lives,’ it seemed like other’s idea. But it controlled your mind, and let you kill people or yourself. ”

4. Falun Gong destroys families

Families are the cells of a society. Harmonious and happy families are the cornerstones of social stability.

However, agitated and attempted by the fallacies such as “to get rid of attachments,”

“to go to a higher level,” and “to reach the Consummation” advocated by Li Hongzhi and his cult Falun Gong, some practitioners infatuated with Falun Gong discarded their husbands or wives and their family. Many families were broken.

- **Liu Changhong discarded the sister- brother affection to “go to a higher level.”**

Liu Changhong was a teacher at a primary school in Dandong City, Liaoning Province. Her brother unfortunately contracted leukemia. All the family members were worried. When the doctor said, the only way to save her brother was bone marrow transplantation, Liu Changhong said firmly that she would donate bone marrow to her brother.

However, Liu Changhong began to practice Falun Gong soon. After that, she turned into another person. She lost the affection for her family and often slept out at night. Later, she did not come home for some 10 days.

Her family spent tens of thousands of RMB on her brother’s illness. Her family was not rich and her parents were mentally and physically exhausted. But Liu Changhong was obsessed with Falun Gong and never mentioned the bone marrow transplantation again. She said: “I want to go to a higher level; therefore, I should act upon what my Master says. I will discard ‘attachments’ and eradicate ‘fame, interests, and sentimentality.’”

- **Falun Gong destroyed Guo Jianrui’s happy family.**

Guo Jianrui, a worker of Changsha Logo Band Factory in Hunan Province, ran a small bookstore with Ye Sijing, his wife, after retirement due to illness. Although the income was meagre, their family was warm and happy. However, Falun Gong took all this away from them.

In 1997, Ye Sijing started practicing Falun Gong, and she spent less and less time attending the bookstore. Sometimes, she was away for a week or fortnight. Finally, she never cared about the bookstore and no new books were purchased. She changed completely. What made Guo Jianrui more heartbroken was that, influenced by his wife, their son who was originally obedient and biddable began to practice Falun Gong too.

What Ye Sijing did all day long was cultivation or sleep. Fewer customers came to the bookstore and business became slumping. The boy's academic record went down sharply. The unreasonable boy once put a kitchen knife on his neck and said to Guo Jianrui: "Leave me alone, remember? Otherwise, I'll kill myself."

• **Tong Yan's family was broken by Falun Gong.**

At the night of December 16, 1999, Tong Yan, female, a native of Liaoning Province, killed her 6-year-old daughter Xu Che on bed with a kitchen knife. Tong Yan started to practice Falun Gong from October 1999. After killing her daughter, she ran down stairs bare-footed and shouted: "Up to the heaven. Up to the heaven..."

Xu Aijun, her husband, said: "My wife used to work hard and be considerate of our parents before she practiced Falun Gong. She was also an understanding wife and a loving mother."

What "magic power" induced an understanding wife and a loving mother to kill her own daughter? Tong Yan recalled: "A devil told me that I could cultivate into a Buddha if I killed my daughter."

• **Feng Lifeng drowned herself in a river.**

Feng Lifeng, a farmer in Jixian County, Tianjin, was bewitched by Li Hongzhi's fallacies. She drowned herself in a river in March 1999, which brought a great hurt to her 12-year-old son and 6-year-old daughter. Their school records declined sharply. Her husband had to make money for the family and look after the two children. This was beyond his tolerance. Feng Lifeng's old mother could not help her tears when she thought of her daughter's death and the family tragedy caused by Falun Gong.

• **Zhang Jian jumped off a building and died. Parents buried their son.**

Zhang Jian, an engineer in the Communication Station of Fujian Oil Refinery and Chemical Plant, poisoned by Li Hongzhi and Falun Gong, jumped off a building and killed himself in February 1999. His parents lost their only son and no one cared about their life. Tears bathed their cheeks all day long.

- **Wang Xidong jumped from a truck and died, leaving his parents behind.**

Wang Xidong, a native of Dandong City, Liaoning Province, jumped from a truck and died on August 21, 1999 after he practiced Falun Gong. He was the only child to his parents. His wedding was due in a month and the bridal chamber had already been decorated. Everything was ready: The invitations being delivered. But Wang headed for his doom following Li Hongzhi's fallacy. It was such a heavy mental blow to his family that they could hardly bear the pain.

- **Falun Gong put on three tragedies at Tian Jianguo's home.**

Tian Jianguo, a worker in Nanyang Cereal Co., Ltd., and his wife Wang Peng, started practicing Falun Gong in 1997 and soon became obsessed with it. They not only spent all their time in practicing, but also asked Tian Pei, their 15-year-old son, to practice Falun Gong from dawn to dusk. In order to cultivate Gong whole-heartedly as his parents, Tian Pei became weary of studying. He started to go to school late and leave earlier. He played truant now and then afterwards. And at last, he stopped schooling and practiced Falun Gong whole-heartedly at home. The Tians were poisoned by the idea of "going to a higher level" and "reaching Consummation." They thought that practicing Falun Gong was more important for their son than learning knowledge in class. Their son would be more promising by following the master than studying at school.

Tian Jianguo and his wife, regarding each other as a fellow practitioner, thought the other party was the obstacle on the way to a higher level because the "level" of the other party was too low. Finally, they divorced.

Tian Jianguo's father suffered a severe gastric ulcer. He was extremely worried about his son, his daughter-in-law, and his grandson because they were all bewitched by Falun Gong. His son divorced; his grandson left school; and finally, his daughter-in-law together with his grandson left home. It was too much for an old man like him. His illness got worse and he died soon.

- **Falun Gong verged Li Xiuqin's family on collapse.**

Li Xiuqin, a native of Lianzhuang Town, Ninghe County, Tianjin City, started to practice Falun Gong in March 1997 and became obsessed with it gradually. She practiced around the clock and cared about nothing else at home. Liu Hetian, Li's husband, was unable to concentrate on his work as a result. Their carton factory, which used to be prosperous, was also on the verge of bankruptcy. Their children's academic records went down. To make things worse, bewitched by Li Hongzhi's fallacy of "removing karma," Li Xiuqin rejected medical treatment after ill. She even did not allow her own son, Liu Wenyong, to go and consult a doctor when he was ill. Liu Wenyong suffered from a skin disease at the beginning of 1999. Liu Hetian intended to send their little son to hospital but was stopped by Li Xiuqin. She treated her son with her "Gong" according to Falun Gong teachings. Thus the illness of the boy was left unattended.

Soon Liu Wenyong's illness deteriorated: Large black and blue speckles appeared on his skin. Some even festered. The local hospital initially diagnosed the illness as skin cancer. Liu Wenyong had to suspend his school and stay at home. The boy's grandparents were overwhelmed with sorrow and thought of killing themselves. The whole family was verged on collapse.

Family tragedies caused by Falun Gong strike the world time and again. Countless innocent people are led astray by Li Hongzhi and his Falun Gong organization. Under the temptations such as Consummation, ascending to heaven and becoming Buddha, many obsessed Falun Gong practitioners are lured into destroying their own families.

VII. Cases of Falun Gong's Human Rights Violation

1. Self-immolation

- In August 1997, Liu Yufeng, a Falun Gong practitioner as well as a farmer from Lingshui Town, Ganjingzi District, Dalian City, committed self-immolation by igniting a gas cylinder and died.

- On October 27, 1998, a farmer named Li Yumei from Nanyuan Town, Zhaoyuan City, Shandong Province, poured some kerosene into her family's haystack, set it on fire and committed self-immolation by jumping into the fire. She said: "Master Li Hongzhi is bringing me into the paradise."

- Chang Haochi, a student from Shanxi Coal Industry Cadre Management College, believed that his cultivation had already "reached Consummation" and he could "ascend to the paradise." On July 4, 1999, at the age of 27, he and his fellow practitioner Li Jinzhong aged 50, sat cross-legged and face to face, committed self-immolation and died.

- On January 23, 2001, seven Falun Gong obsessed practitioners from Kaifeng City, Henan Province, conducted self-immolation collectively in Tian'anmen Square. Liu Chunling was burned to death right at the spot, and Liu Siying was seriously injured and later died. Chen Guo, Hao Huijun and the others were seriously wounded and received medical treatment and utmost care in Beijing, who were sent home later for recovery.

- On February 16, 2001, a Falun Gong practitioner named Tan Yihui from Changde, Hunan Province, committed self-immolation and died at the age of 26, in Wanshou Road, Beijing.

- On July 1, 2001, Luo Guili, a student from Nanning City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, committed self-immolation and died for "getting rid of attachments" in Nationality Square, Nanning.

- On November 2, 2005, a Falun Gong practitioner named Li Xiaoying (female) from Shijiazhuang City, Hebei Province, committed self-immolation and died in Nanchang Street, Beijing.

2. Self-killings

- **Yang Qiugui**, from Yujiang County, Jiangxi Province, left for UK to study for a doctor's degree in October 1996. He learned to practice Falun Gong through Internet. On June 1, 1998, he jumped down from a high building to "promote the Fa" in Frankfurt of Germany, and died at the age of 26.

- **Wang Xiuyun**, a retired worker from Xinxing Knitting Factory of Tangshan City in Hebei Province, after she practiced Falun Gong, always talked again and again that she "was fed up with worldly life" and "would ascend to the paradise," and "saw a lotus throne flying in the sky" and "would become immortal as soon as sitting on it." Her family members accompanied her day and night in case of an accident. On January 24, 1998, taking advantage of her family's negligence, she jumped down from her apartment and died at the age of 50.

- **Ma Jianmin**, a retiree from Petro China Huabei Oilfield Company, always felt that "there is a Falun rotating in his belly" after he practiced Falun Gong. On September 4, 1998, he cut open his belly with a pair of scissors in order to find the "Falun" and died at the age of 54.

- **Feng Lifeng**, a farmer from Liujiading Town, Jixian County, Tianjin, often felt that there was a hawk pecking at her head after she fell obsessed with Falun Gong. She said to her husband: "The more I practice, the more I fear, and the more I fear, the more I want to practice." "I am prepared to go to the heaven." On March 31, 1999, she cut off her vein in the wrist, then jumped into a pond and died at the age of 32. She left over to her family a letter written with blood which said: "You should study Dafa hard."

- **Liu Pingqing**, a senior agronomist from Donggang City, Liaoning Province, after practicing Falun Gong, often felt that Master Li Hongzhi wanted him to reach Consummation. On April 27, 1999, he threw himself into a well and died at the age of 58.

- **Li Youlin**, a farmer from Anshu Town, Dongliao County, Jilin Province, was obsessed with Falun Gong. On May 21, 1999, he said to his wife: "Tomorrow (April 8, Lunar calendar) is the Master's birthday, I would like to celebrate his birthday, and pray for him by burning some joss sticks." The next day he hanged himself at the age of 48. On the site, there was the photo of Li Hongzhi and the leftovers of seven joss sticks.

3. Homicides

- **Jiang Chaojun and Jiang Xiuxia, a couple**, farmers from Jidong County, Heilongjiang Province, both fell obsessed with Falun Gong and were eager to ascend to the "paradise" and become gods. On the night of December 3, 1997, Jiang committed suicide after killing his wife with a knife, and orphaned their 13-year-old daughter and 10-year-old son.

- **Wu Deqiao**, a worker of supplying and marketing community from Wujiang City, Jiangsu Province, cut his wife to death with a kitchen knife on the night of February 26, 1998, just because his wife tried to stop him as he was practicing Falun Gong. Wu believed that a woman around would affect his practicing.

- **Dong Ning**, a worker from Changhong Electric Motor Company, Weihai City, Shandong Province, believed that he was going to reach Consummation. On January 7, 1999, Dong hit and injured his coworkers with a mould. The next day, he ran after his father with a knife who narrowly and luckily escaped, but unfortunately a neighbor and her son were injured. He said: "Someone called me to take away my relatives or friends. Killing a person would make me reach Consummation, and then I can save people."

• **Zhu Changjiu**, a Falun Gong practitioner from Qingta Town, Renqiu City, Hebei Province, killed his parents at home on November 26, 1999, just because his parents burnt down his Falun Gong books.

• **Tong Yan**, a worker from a water supply company of Liaohe Oil Field, on the night of December 16, 1999, she shouted “up to the heaven” and killed her own daughter Xu Che on the bed, who was only six years old. Later Tong confessed: “A devil told me that I could cultivate into a Buddha if I killed my daughter.”

• **Long Gang**, a farmer from Shuangshi Town, Yongchuan, Chongqing, fell obsessed with Falun Gong and also forced his six-year-old son to practice together with him. On July 17, 1999, he jumped into a river holding his son in arms and died at the age of 31. His son survived after emergency treatment.

• **Dong Li**, a villager from Dapingfang Town, Chaoyang County, Chaoyang City, Liaoning Province. On the night of February 3, 2002, the 37-year-old Dong, bewitched by Li Hongzhi’s fallacy, smashed mercilessly his wife and daughter in deep sleeping with a pick. His 37-year-old wife, Meng Xiurong, died; and his 14-year-old daughter, Dong Yudan, was seriously wounded.

• **Lan Yunchang**, a Falun Gong practitioner from Zhuyu Village, Daxiang Town, Rong’an County, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region. On April 16, 2001, he axed to death Wei Shaoming, a lone elderly man from the same village. Lan said: “I sent him to the Falun world for a happy life, and I will follow him after reaching Consummation.”

• **Qiu Defeng**, male, graduated from a junior college, born in 1972, from Chengmai County, Hainan Province. He began to practice Falun Gong in May 1994. At around 7:00 a.m. on December 11, 2001, he met Qiu Junxian, his uncle, in the bedroom. He imagined that his uncle would murder him, so he asked his uncle if it was correct. The old man did not reply his wild talk. Qiu Defeng grabbed a kitchen knife and cut his uncle on the neck and head, and finally killed him. Afterwards, Qiu Defeng laid some firewood besides the corpse and burned it. The police was called in and he was caught before he set fire on his uncle’s bedroom and committed self-immolation as he had expected.

- **Fu Yibin**, residing in Xicheng District, Beijing, on the evening of November 25, 2001, killed his own father and his wife, and seriously wounded his own mother.

- **Chen Fuzhao**, a Falun Gong practitioner from Zhejiang Province, poisoned and killed fifteen junkmen or beggars and one Buddhist from May 25 to June 26, 2003, for the sake of improving his Falun Gong “power.”

4. “Expelling the evil” or killing the people

- On August 23, 1996, Wang Xuezhong, a Falun Gong practitioner from Jiahe County, Hunan Province, regarding his father Wang Jirong as a devil, made seventeen cuts on the head, neck and chest of his father, until his father died on spot.

- On March 20, 1999, Li Ting, a Falun Gong practitioner under 18 years old, from Chengde City, Hebei Province, killed cruelly his own parents at home for the sake of “getting rid of the devils.”

- On February 20, 2001, Wei Zhihua, a Falun Gong practitioner from Longgang District of Shenzhen City, who came to realize that the teaching of “removing Karma to cure the disease” is sheer nonsense, was treated as a devil destroying the Dafa. She was trussed up by her husband and other Falun Gong obsessed followers, and her mouth and nose were covered. She was stifled to death.

- On March 1, 2002, Lin Chunmei and Wen Yuping, two Falun Gong followers from Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, brutally strangled a waitress of a hostel in Xianyang, Shaanxi Province in order to “clear up devils” and “save people.”

- On April 22, 2002, when Guan Shuyun, a Falun Gong obsessed followers, gathered with several Falun Gong practitioners at home, saying that her 9-year-old daughter was possessed by a devil spirit. As a mother, she choked her daughter to death.

- On October 3, 2006, Longlong (sound), a Falun Gong practitioner lived in Netherlands, felt a spiritual power asking him to kill. So he took an axe and chopped a 22-year-old young Dutchman to death. He sawed the corpse into chunks and put them into a pan to fry in order to drive the devil out of the body.

- On April 7, 2008, in order to “help” a fellow Falun Gong practitioner Xiao Rong to “eliminate the devil spirit,” four Falun Gong practitioners from Changchun City, Jilin Province, i.e. Jin Mingdong, Yu Xuwei, Gao Hongqing and Wang Haipeng, violently beat on Xiao’s head with slippers. Besides this, they adopted many extreme ways to “help” Xiao Rong, such as using steel needle to thrust her, pouring boiling water to scald her, putting ice cubes on her, and etc. As a result, Xiao Rong caught six fractures in her ribs; her liver, kidney and lung were also ruptured; and she died of hemorrhagic shock.

5. People died of rejecting medical help

- **Li Shulin** was a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Jinzhou Petrochemical Corporation. In August of 1994, he went a long way to Heilongjiang’s Harbin to attend the Fa classes given by Li Hongzhi. He fell down on the ground of the room as a result of a cerebral thrombosis burst. His family asked Master Li Hongzhi to send out the magical “Gong” to save him. But Li Hongzhi said it was the natural reaction of practicing Falun Gong, and that Li Shulin did not need any medical treatment. Eventually, Li Shulin failed to receive in-time treatment and died away from his home town.

- **Liu Fengqin** was a retiree of Tianjin Posts and Telecommunications Apparatus Company. After practicing Falun Gong, she believed that she was no longer an “ordinary” people. When her shinbone fractured in a traffic accident, she refused to get medical treatment. She said, “I almost achieved Dafa. I’d rather die than be sent to hospital.” At last, her health was from bad to worse, and she died on December 27, 1997, aged 60. Just before she died, she still shouted, “Master, save me, Master! Master! ”

- **Xiao Hemei**, an employee of Anshan Railway Station, Liaoning Province, was ill with rheumatoid disease. Since she started practicing Falun Gong, she had never taken any medicines or injection. As a result, she suffered from general dropsy for three times. Every time she was going to the hospital to take some examinations, she was stopped by her husband, the deputy director of Falun Gong Assistant Station in Anshan. She died on June 12, 1998, aged 42.

• **Zhang Jinsheng**, was a farmer from Fuxin, Liaoning Province, and a Falun Gong practitioner. In 1997, his arm was burnt. He refused any medical treatment, claiming that Master Li Hongzhi was “removing Karma” for him. The wound deteriorated quickly and he died on November 11, 1998, aged 21.

• **Bai Yunxiu**, a retiree from Hengyang City, Hunan Province, started practicing Falun Gong in the summer of 1995. In July, 1998, Bai Yunxiu ran a fever. Her daughter asked her to see a doctor, but she refused stubbornly. When she was terminally ill on December 10, she still stayed at home and read scriptures written by “the Master.” Finally, she was too ill to hold on, then let her husband read it for her. While her husband was reading, she fell down on the sofa and died.

• **Xian Dong**, an employee of Hainan Yacha Farm, had been hospitalized for liver disease. After practicing Falun Gong, he believed that Li Hongzhi’s “Fashen (Law Body)” could protect him so he rejected any medical treatment. He got a rapid deterioration and died on July 20, 1999, aged 35.

• **Wang Zhexing** was a retiree of Beijing Gear Factory. In the early June, 1999, he got a fever. He said it was “removing Karma” and kept on practicing Falun Gong, refusing any medical treatment. Later, his children sent him to hospital by force; he pulled out the needle and rejected any treatment. He passed away on June 14.

• **Hu Xianzhi** was a teacher of Baita Middle School, Jiangnan District, Langzhong City, Sichuan Province. He treated Li Hongzhi’s words as Bible. Having a pancreatitis, he still insisted on practicing Falun Gong when he was suffering from bellyache. Lacking in-time medical treatment, pancreas became necrotic and resulted in his death.

• **Liu Shuhua** was a civil servant of Xiangfang District, Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province. After practicing Falun Gong, she refused to be sent to hospital when her hepatitis relapsed. She believed that if she went to see a doctor, her “level” would descend, her practicing would lead to no effect, and the Master would no longer protect her. On April 11, 1999, she died of rejecting medical help, aged 52.

- **Xu Suzhen** was a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Province. From 1997, she had been practicing Falun Gong for nine hours every day. Yet she still suffered rheumatism. She refused any treatment because she thought that “it is the Master removing the Karma for me, and as soon as the Karma is removed, I’ll get well.” She was so ill and died on June 2, 1999, aged 49.

- **Hu Guangying**, a retired worker of Shanghai, contracted scabies, a very common kind of skin disease. She was so obsessed with Falun Gong that she refused medical treatment. Only half a year later, she passed away.

6. Women and children victims of Falun Gong

The majority of victims of Falun Gong are women. After practicing Falun Gong, some females burned or killed themselves, and some died of rejecting medical treatment.

- On January 23, 2001, seven Falun Gong obsessed followers, including five females such as Hao Huijun and Chen Guo, gathered in Tian’anmen Square burning themselves in order to pursue Consummation. Two of them died and three were severely injured and maimed.

- On November 2, 2005, Li Xiaoying, a Falun Gong practitioner from Shijiazhuang, Hebei Province, burned herself to death on the east pavement at south entrance of Nanchang Street, Beijing.

- Hu Guangying, a retired worker of Shanghai, contracted scabies, a very common kind of skin disease. She was so obsessed with Falun Gong that she refused medical treatment. Only half a year later, she passed away.

- Liu Renfang, born in October, 1948, and from Baochun Village, Tangyuan Town, Pixian County, Sichuan Province. She suffered from serious chronic bronchitis and headache. She had refused to take medicine and injection since she was addicted to Falun Gong in February 1998. Bewitched by Li Hongzhi’s “laying down the life and death” and “ascending to paradise and reaching Consummation,” in December 2000, Liu decided

to take part in “Fa Protection” on Tian’anmen Square. While hiding in Yanjiao Town, Sanhe City in Hebei Province, she died suddenly of a relapse of her old illness and her fellow practitioners actually gave no thought to her death. More astonishingly, the Falun Gong organization instructed its followers to throw her body into a dirty river, in order to cover the incident.

Poisoned by the evil theory of Falun Gong, some women were killed by their fellow practitioners, and some became murderers.

- On the night of February 25, 1998, Wu Deqiao, from Jiangsu Province, cut his wife to death with a kitchen knife, just because his wife tried to stop him practicing Falun Gong, and Wu regarded that a woman around would affect his practicing.

- On February 20, 2001, Wei Zhihua, a Falun Gong practitioner from Longgang District of Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, saw through the evil nature of Falun Gong, and swore: “Never again to be a follower of Li Hongzhi.” Treated as a devil destroying the Dafa, she was trussed up by her husband and several Falun Gong obsessed followers, and her mouth and nose were covered. She died of suffocation.

- At about 5:00 p.m. on November 25, 2001, Fu Yibin, a Falun Gong practitioner from Xicheng District, Beijing, killed his own father and his wife, and seriously wounded his own mother. According to Fu's confession, in the afternoon of the same day, he was awakened to the truth that it was time for his family to “leave.” Thus the tragedy happened.

- On March 1, 2001, Lin Chunmei and Wen Yuping, two Falun Gong followers from Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, brutally strangled Mai Xinping, a waitress of Hongbin Hostel in Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province in order to “save people.” Interviewed with a journalist, Lin said: “Although you regard us as killers, actually we have done a good deed for saving her and sending her to the paradise for happiness.”

According to incomplete statistics, more than twenty cases of “male-female dual cultivation” – or sexual promiscuities, have occurred in recent years in China. Many women paid a heavy cost and even violated the criminal law.

- **Male-female dual cultivation led to homicide**

On June 10, 2004, a horrible homicide case occurred in Longjing City, Yanbian, Jilin Province, due to the “male-female dual cultivation” by Falun Gong practitioners, and later the members involved were tried and declared guilty.

Principle offender Li Minghua, her husband Wang Xiaoyu, elder sister Li Mingying, and brother-in-law Jing Tao, all fell obsessed with Falun Gong. In order to promote their Gong and ascend to a higher level, they often exchanged views in studying Li Hongzhi’s theory of “extracting *Yin* to compensate *Yang*, and extracting *Yang* to compensate *Yin* in order to keep balance.” Also, they performed together male-female dual cultivation, in which they affirmed that there was a devil spirit possessing Jing Tao’s body. Afterwards they decided to eliminate the devil for him.

On the evening of June 8, 2004, Li Minghua began to drive the devil for her sister and brother-in-law by following the procedure her husband explained to her. Firstly, she slashed a wooden sword on her sister’s back, who bore the pain and kept silent. She told her sister: “As you can lay down life and death, so the devil is eliminated.” When they executed the same doing on Jing Tao, Jing couldn’t bear the pain and cried out loudly. Li told Jing: “If you couldn’t stand the pain then you cannot get the devil out of your body.” Eager to get rid of the devil, Jing responded: “Tie me up, then I can bear.” The two sisters found a 10-meter-long white plastic rope and bound together his hands and feet. Thus, the sisters began to beat Jing Tao right in the face with a wooden sword and a stick. During the progress, Jing still made cries. Wang Xiaoyu shouted: “Hold on! Definitely you can go through with it. Believe in Fa, and Fa is going to make you through.” The beating went on for more than an hour till Jing was in silence.

In the morning on June 9, when Jing’s pulse was found weak, instead of taking emergency measures, they started to recite the teachings of Falun Gong, praying to Li Hongzhi for returning Primordial Spirit of Jing Tao and saving his life. When Jing’s mother, also a Falun Gong practitioner, was told that they were getting rid of devil for her son, she

sat down cross-legged on the ground and recited the lection. At about 2:00 a.m. on June 10, Jing was found dead.

- In 2001, Mr. Jiang, former director of Falun Gong Assistant Station in Pingdu City, Shandong Province, Mr. Xu, the deputy director, Mr. Qi and several women followers were caught by the police when they were performing “male-female dual cultivation” in Gongshangxincun, Laixi City. The policemen seized at the spot some Falun Gong promotional materials, large amount of condoms and love potions.

- In 2003, Mr. Zhao, a Falun Gong practitioner from Henan Province, and several women followers including Ms. Zhao and Ms. Li, were caught by the police in Zhumadian City, when they were performing “male-female dual cultivation.” Falun Gong practitioners involved in the male-female dual cultivation included old women and men in their seventies, boys and girls in youth, and even mothers and daughters, sisters and brothers.

Some children committed suicide after practicing Falun Gong under influence of their parents. Some became sacrifices of Falun Gong.

- **Self-immolation and suicide for practicing Falun Gong**

Liu Siying, female, born in March 1988, was a Grade 5 student in a primary school. Following her mother Liu Chunling, she practiced Falun Gong at home in 1999. On January 23, 2001, she took part in the group self-burning at Tian'anmen Square and was badly injured by the fire. The burned area accounted for 40% of her body surface; she had difficulties in breathing, and her face and head suffered a 4-level burn. She failed to respond to emergency treatments and died in hospital.

Chen Ying, 17 years old, a senior high school student in Grade 2 of Shuren High School of Jiamusi City, Heilongjiang Province, was mentally deranged due to obsession with Falun Gong. On August 16, 1999, Chen jumped out from the train No.439 from Beijing to Jiamusi and died.

- **Becoming sacrifice of Falun Gong members**

Gao Encheng, male, 42 years old, was a cadre in the Trade and Industry Office of

Tianbai Town, Kaixian County, Chongqing, and also the head of a Falun Gong practice site. He firmly believed what Li Hongzhi had claimed, that when a practitioner reached a certain level of practice, he would “gather three flowers on top of his head; produce Yuanying; return to the original self; and ascend to the heaven after death.” On November 6, 1998, he jumped from the fourth floor carrying his son, and died after failing to respond to emergency treatment. His son survived after emergency treatment.

Long Gang, male, 31 years old, was a farmer from Yongchuan, Chongqing. After he began to practice Falun Gong in 1997, soon he was always in a trance. He often said the earth would be destroyed, and he would fly to the sky to avoid the disaster. On the morning of July 17, 1999, Long Gang jumped into a river carrying his son under 6 years old. His son was rescued in time and survived, but he died.

- **Died from rejecting medical treatment**

Song Shuanglong, a 12-year-old boy, lived in Nanguan District, Changchun City, Jilin Province. Since he had two more pieces of cartilage in his back nasal cavity after birth, he had been treated in hospitals off and on. In 1996, his mother Ma Xiurong began to practice Falun Gong, and become convinced that Falun Gong was able to cure all diseases, so she asked her son to practice too. However, Song Shuanglong’s condition didn’t improve but became worse. His eyes became blurred at first, and then he went blind at last. On the New Year’s Day of 1999, Song’s symptoms suddenly became more serious. Ma Xiurong still guided him to perform Falun Gong actions even it was hard for Song to stand up. Song died at home on May 12.

- **Killed by their parents**

Tong Yan, a worker from a water supply company of Liaohe Oil Field, at the night on December 16, 1999, she shouted continuously “up to the heaven” and killed on the bed her own daughter Xu Che, who was only 6 years old. Later Tong confessed: “A devil told me that I could cultivate into a Buddha if I killed my daughter.”

Dong Li, male, 37 years old, a villager from Dapingfang Town, Chaoyang County, Chaoyang City, Liaoning Province. On the night of February 3, 2002, Dong, bewitched by

Li Hongzhi's fallacy, smashed mercilessly his wife and daughter in deep sleeping with a pick. His 37-year-old wife, Meng Xiurong, died; and his 14-year-old daughter, Dong Yudan, was seriously wounded.

Guan Shuyun, a woman lived in Yichun City, Heilongjiang Province, began to practice Falun Gong in April 1997. On April 22, 2002, claiming to eliminate devils, Guan choked to death her own daughter Dai Nan, a girl under nine, to the face of dozens of fellow practitioners in order to reach Consummation and ascend to the paradise.

Li Yanzhong, male, 35 years old, was a worker in Tianjin Dagang Oil Field. At about 4:00 a.m. on the morning of July 10, 2005, Li killed with a kitchen knife his 6-year-old daughter Li Yue and his 6-year-old nephew Zhang Xin. Li Yanzhong confessed: "I have practiced Falun Gong for nine years, and I don't know why I always want to kill people!" "At that time the idea of killing people was full of my mind, and I was controlled by some 'bad lives,' it seemed like other's idea. But it controlled your mind, and let you kill people or yourself. "

7. Falun Gong key members died abroad

- In March 2006, Li Guodong, head of the editorial board of New Tang Dynasty TV News Centre, died of liver cancer in New York.

- On June 22, 2006, Feng Lili, the Falun Gong backbone died of pancreatic cancer in Houston, United States. Feng advocated all the time that Falun Gong had magic effect on human body. She was regarded as "a leader of Falun Gong in medical profession." According to insiders, she was found suffering from pancreatic cancer as early as 2003, but she took it as a test of Karma, and believed firmly that Falun Gong would enable her to recover.

- On New Year's Day of 2007, a Falun Gong backbone Zhu Genmei in Germany, died of diabetes because she was obsessed with Falun Gong and refused medical treatment. Her diagnosis was confirmed two years earlier, but Zhu persisted in cultivation for curing illness. The Germany doctor pointed out that Zhu died of fatal blood infection

because of not being treated in time.

- In December 2007, Quan Panlie, a key member of Korean Falun Dafa Association, was seriously wounded in a car accident and died after failing to respond to emergency treatment.

- On May 3, 2008, Liu Jinan, a Falun Gong backbone in North America, died after falling down from a 16-feet-high building at a construction site of the Falun Gong base located in the Hope Hill of New Jersey, USA.

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8. Human rights violations committed outside China

- **Yang Qiugui committed suicide by jumping down from a high building in Frankfurt, Germany.** Yang Qiugui, male, from Aiguo Village, Zhongtong Town, Yujiang County, Jiangxi Province, graduated in 1995 from East China University of Science and Technology and had been awarded the university's special scholarships. In October 1996, he went to UK and studied for his doctorate of automation control in the University of Glasgow. Yang learned to practice Falun Gong through the Internet in 1997. On May 30, 1998, he made a special trip to Frankfurt, Germany from UK to participate in the European Fa Conference. On June 1, two days after he attended the conference by Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, Yang jumped down from the second floor of a local hotel and died at the age of 26.

- **Feng Lili, an American Falun Gong follower died of rejecting medical treatment.** On June 22, 2006, Feng Lili, the Falun Gong backbone died of pancreatic cancer in Houston, United States. Feng advocated all the time that Falun Gong had magic effect on human body. She was regarded as a leader of Falun Gong in medical profession. According to insiders, she was found suffering from pancreatic cancer as early as 2003, but she took it as a test of Karma, and firmly believed that Falun Gong would enable her to recover.

- **A Falun Gong follower committed homicide and fried the corpse in**

Netherlands. In October 2006, a Falun Gong practitioner Longlong (sound) axed a 22-year-old Dutchman to death, cut or sawed the body into pieces, and picked up the flesh. In the following days he fried the body in a pan. Sing Tao Daily said that the suspect became fascinated with Falun Gong after he arrived in Holand in August 2003, and claimed to be a Falun Gong follower. He often practiced Falun Gong by sitting in meditation at home. In this period, his paranoid and fantasy tendency became more obvious. The suspect confessed that there was a spiritual power asking him to kill. He wanted to drive the devil out of the flesh by dismembering the body and frying it. Judges cited a report by the Dutch Ministry of Justice that the suspect claimed there was no rancour between him and the deceased, but he had to kill the young man, because he believed his God and the God of the dead conflicted 500 years ago. The Public Journal in Holand reported that the suspect, prior to the attack, had consulted with some fellow practitioners on the killing. A court in Hague ruled in June 2007, the man who was suspected of "homicide and frying corpse," was mentally ill and sentenced to receive compulsory psychiatric treatment.

- **A German Falun Gong follower died of rejecting medical treatment.** On New Year's Day of 2007, a Falun Gong backbone Zhu Genmei died of diabetes in Germany because she was obsessed with Falun Gong and refused medical treatment. Her diagnosis was confirmed, but she persisted in cultivation for curing illness. The Germany doctor pointed out that Zhu died of fatal blood infection because of not being treated in time.

- **A Japanese Falun Gong follower became mentally deranged as a result of long-term practicing.** Horie Yoko, a crazy Falun Gong follower in Japan, was born in March 1977. In September 1999, she began to practice Falun Gong. By the end of 2006, she began to manifest mild symptoms of schizophrenia. Since then she had been practicing at home, and rarely participated in public activities. From 2007, she frequently practiced day and night without eating and drinking; she also suffered from speech disorder, and she even couldn't recognise her own family members. She showed obvious intermittent symptoms of mental disorder. After her mother sent her to a mental hospital in

Osaka for treatment, her condition was improved for a time. However, Horie Yoko practiced Falun Gong again immediately after leaving the hospital, and finally developed into mental disorders.

● **A Chinese woman working in UK was under persecution of Falun Gong for two years.** From February 2004 to December 2005, Rong Na, a woman from Jilin of China, working in the UK, was illegally controlled by the local Falun Gong organization. Falun Gong forced her to distribute Falun Gong leaflets and propaganda materials, or practice Falun Gong with her fellows in front of the Chinese Embassy to the UK. Falun Gong threatened that if she refused to do so, she would suffer from hunger and thirst. Rong Na was physically and mentally devastated, and almost lost her life.

● **A young man in the United States went mad because of practicing Falun Gong.** On October 26, 1999, a young man named Lin Shufeng went mad as a result of practicing Falun Gong. He went from Miami to his uncle's home in New York, and boasted how his Gong powers were amazing: He could cure his relatives' illness by a telephone call although they lived far away in China. And he also offered to cure his uncle's illness. Later, he stripped his upper garment, smashed with a club all the furniture in his uncle's home and rushed out with the club in hand. Required by his relatives, people of the local Chinese community looked for him everywhere. The next day, they were informed at last that he was taken to a police hospital. (Supplied by Huang Keqiang, Chairman of Lin Zexu Foundation of USA).

● **In Canada, Falun Gong followers surrounded and hit those who had quitted Falun Gong.** In November 2001, a Chinese Canadian He Bing (Catherine) published in *Chinese Press* her personal experience, and what she had seen and heard when she was with Falun Gong practitioners in Canada. On December 1, she was surrounded by dozens of Falun Gong followers on her way to the general office of the newspaper attending a forum on victims of Falun Gong. In the quarreling followed, Mr. Zhou, head of the Falun Gong Assistant Station in Ottawa, hit her violently with a camera. The back of her left hand, the middle finger and index finger all turned red and swollen. And it was diagnosed by a local hospital as the soft tissue injury.

VIII. Falun Gong Incites Racial Hatred

1. Stirring up hatred for China

Falun Gong wantonly fabricates lies that Chinese government is “persecuting” Falun Gong practitioners.

In Falun Gong media, the most popular are the so-called Wei Xingyan case and Li Yanhua case.

- **“Wei Xingyan was raped in public”**

In May 2003, Falun Gong fabricated a story that Wei Xingyan, a graduate student of Chongqing University, was arrested for “telling the truth,” and later raped in public by a policeman of Baihelin Detention House in Shapingba District. Later, Wei Xingyan went on a hunger strike to protest, and the police damaged her windpipe and esophagus by force food injection, such that she was not able to speak and her life was at stake.

The investigation by the Chinese police authority revealed that there was neither such a major called “high voltage DC power transmission and simulation technology,” nor a student named Wei Xingyan, let alone an incident of “Wei Xingyan being raped by a police man.” The rape case of Wei Xingyan was a sheer lie cooked up by Falun Gong practitioners Chen Shumin and Lu Zhengqi following Falun Gong’s instructions. Therefore, Chongqing University refuted the rumor publicly. In February 2004, the First Intermediate People’s Court of Chongqing publicly judged the Chen Shumin case, which was covered by the media. The fact proves that the rumor was fabricated by Falun Gong.

- **“Li Yanhua was persecuted to death”**

In “Nine Commentaries” cooked up by Falun Gong, a case was quoted: On February 19, 2001, Li Yanhua, a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Province, was kidnapped by the police while she was distributing leaflets of Falun Gong, and beaten to death.

The investigation revealed that the so-called persecution of Li Yanhua was fabricated

by local Falun Gong followers.

Li Yanhua, female, 58 years old, was from Dongjiang Village, Nanlou Economic and Development Area, Dashiqiao City, and began to practice Falun Gong in 1994. On February 19, 2001, Li Yanhua's diabetes occurred abruptly en route of distributing illegal Falun Gong leaflets required by the Falun Gong Headquarters. She died after emergency treatment.

At 23:00 o'clock on February 22, four Falun Gong practitioners, Wang Changshun, Xu Zhengqiang, Liu Qingnian and Lu Guozhan, carrying camera, screwdriver, and electric torch, stole into the mortuary of the Donghuan Hospital. They dragged out the corpse from the ice chest, threw the body onto the floor, and stripped it. Wang Changshun took seven photographs. In the mortuary was left a poster written in advance reading "Beaten to death by police, Li's spirit calls for a redress." Later, an article counter to the fact dictated by Wang Changshun and recorded by Li Ying, was turned into leaflets for distribution, and posted on Falun Gong websites to make sensations.

The Chinese citizens are extremely upset by these lies.

These are just some of the so-called persecution cases.

"Sujiatun Concentration Camp" and "harvesting organs alive"

"Sujiatun Concentration Camp" and "harvesting organs alive" are two related rumors fabricated by Falun Gong aiming at discrediting and attacking China.

From March 2006, Falun Gong started to propagandize the rumor of "Sujiatun Concentration Camp Incident," which claimed that 6,000 Falun Gong practitioners were imprisoned in a hospital in Sujiatun District, Shenyang, Liaoning Province, and after organs of most of the practitioners were harvested alive, the corpses were burned for destroying evidence. Soon afterwards, all investigations by the Chinese government, USA Embassy to China, and some media from China and abroad, proved that it was a sheer lie. After this rumor was exposed, Falun Gong shifted the focus to claim that there existed a

large amount of “live organ harvestings” in other parts of China.

Later, two Canadians, David Kilgour and David Matas, intending to attack the Chinese government, pieced together the so-called *Report into Allegations of Organ Harvesting of Falun Gong Practitioners in China*, which was full of loopholes.

The so-called “Chinese spies”

In June 2005, a defected former Chinese diplomat, Chen Yonglin, for the sake of settling in Australia, fabricated a story that there were about 1,000 Chinese spies being active in Australia, and several kidnappings were done by them. Thus Falun Gong propagandized that “the Chinese spies were threatening sovereignty of other nations” so as to excite anti-China agitation among the Western nations.

In the same year, Falun Gong fabricated and propagandized the rumors of “CCP’s three-year special agent program” and “Chinese spy network,” after Hao Fengjun, a policeman from Public Security Bureau of Tianjin, defected and fled to Australia, in order to spoil the relationship between China and Japan, Australia, USA, Canada and etc.

In October 2006, Sing Tao Daily and China Times in Netherlands reported objectively the incident of man-slaughtering and body-cooking by a Falun Gong follower in Netherlands. Afterwards, Falun Gong made attacks on its websites against the Sing Tao Daily by describing it as “a CCP special agency overseas” and fabricating that “the CCP carrying out secret service by making use of the media.”

Accusing the overseas Chinese and Chinese students abroad were CCP agents

Whenever the overseas Chinese, patriotically and in all conscience, questioned and rejected Falun Gong’s fallacies and actions, Falun Gong would regarded it as “persecution,” and whoever executed the “persecution” would become the CCP special agents at once.

In *Fa-Lecture During the 2003 Lantern Festival at the U.S. West Fa Conference*, Li Hongzhi fabricated that China had sent “Great numbers of agents out into the international community to persecute Falun Gong.”

Falun Gong spreads the rumor widely that the Chinese student communities in American universities were CCP's overseas secret agencies.

In 2007, the New York University Chinese Culture Club, for living a tranquil life, boycotted the so-called International Chinese Classical Dance Competition at New York University. Falun Gong media accused the club by spreading rumors that its chairman was lured into acting as secret agent of the CCP, and the club had degenerated into a secret service. The People Daily, a Falun Gong mouthpiece, smeared the Chinese General Consulate in New York that "it manipulated more than 60 students who were actually planted agents in American universities" and "the Chinese culture clubs of American universities had reduced to overseas secret agencies for executing political tasks manipulated by the CCP.

Alleging people in protest against Falun Gong were accomplices or secret agents

In May 2008, local residents in Flushing, New York City were outraged by Falun Gong's interference of beating drums and gongs as the overseas Chinese were donating money for earthquake survivors in Sichuan. The people who presented protests were described by Falun Gong as accomplices or secret agents of the CCP.

The New York City Councilman of Chinese origin, John Liu and Assemblywoman Ellen Young, were vehemently attacked by Falun Gong, just because they did not make known their position of supporting Falun Gong in the above mentioned event. They were depicted by Falun Gong as "being bribed passively and actively throwing themselves into arms of the CCP."

Because the Flushing Event was reported objectively by the overseas Chinese language media *Daily World*, *Sing Tao Daily*, *Ming Pao* in New York, and *China Journal* in Chicago, Falun Gong accused them as "lackeys and thugs hired and planted abroad for persecuting Falun Gong followers and fooling overseas Chinese."

Accusing patriotic overseas Chinese as CCP agents

In October 2008, Zhang Danhong, director of the Department of Chinese Language Radio at Deutsche Welle, was deposed for her pro-China speeches. In the event, Falun Gong not only declared for no reason that Zhang was a CCP agent and required that “Bureau of Federal Constitution Protection should take consideration of putting Zhang on its investigation list,” but also seized the opportunity to put a label of CCP agent on all overseas Chinese. “It is a riddle forever how many Zhang Danhongs have been bought and planted globally by the CCP,” and “there is no much difference between the instigated German who volunteered to act as executioners for Hitler to kill the Jews, and the overseas Chinese not receiving money from the CCP,” Falun Gong said, “All of them live abroad with foreign passports and work for other government, but they are always selling repeatedly conscience to the autocratic CCP.”

Sabotaging international cultural exchanges

In January 2006, the Same Song, a CCTV music show, gave successful art performances to overseas Chinese in Toronto, Canada and New York, USA, but Falun Gong smeared the show as “a unified front tool by the CCP to infiltrate ideologically.” Deliberately inciting disharmony between overseas Chinese and local residents, Falun Gong said the show was aimed at stirring up “narrow nationalist sentiments” among the overseas Chinese.

As the Chinese immigrants were increasing and their social status upgrading, the Canadian TV networks were not able to provide multi-language and variable program broadcasting. On January 7, 2006, more than seventy representatives for overseas Chinese and exchange students, met in Toronto, and signed to apply to the CRTC for the Chinese Great Wall TV package broadcasting in Canada. It would benefit the society, but was obstructed by Falun Gong, who claimed it was an ideological infiltration into Canada by China. On December 22, the CRTC ratified the opening of the Great Wall TV package of nine Chinese TV channels.

2. Incite racial hatred

Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, says that the mixed blood, the offspring

of different race marriage or “hybrid,” is rootless human variants, who are evidence of human moral depravity in present age.

“As far as humans go, people of mixed race no longer have corresponding human races in heaven.” (*Teaching the Fa at a New York Meeting, 1997*)

“Any ethnicity in the world is a race that corresponds with the heavens. After mixing blood people no longer have their correspondence to the gods in the heavens. And then it is possible that none of the gods that created humans will take care of them. Then with regard to these people, they are very pitiable.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in Houston*)

“After races are mixed up, you will find one’s child born to be an infant of mixed blood. However, there is a partition in the middle of this child’s life. If it is separated, he will be physically and intellectually incomplete or a person with an incomplete body.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

Li Hongzhi explains that the existence of mixed blood people is a conspiracy hatched by the alien keeping the human from contacting with the paradise. Li holds that people of mixed blood are evil people and they are the manifestation of human degeneration.

As he was lecturing in Switzerland, he said: “The aliens mixed the human races, thus to separate the human from god.” Below are the “ten sins” listed by Li Hongzhi: mixed blood, homosexual, computer user, tradition breaker, democracy believer, people “superstitiously” believing in science and etc.

“This science was set up by aliens. Their purpose was to unify human beings...Spain was the vanguard for mixing the human races. The way alien beings get human beings to shake free of the gods is to mix the races, causing human beings to become rootless people, just like the plant hybrids people make nowadays. South Americans, Central Americans, Mexicans and some people in South East Asia – all of these races have been mixed. None of this can evade the gods’ eyes. Alien beings have made rather extensive preparations for overtaking human beings.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Conference in*

Switzerland)

“At present, the cultures of humankind are in a muddle – they are messy combinations of all sorts, and human races are becoming more and more mixed. These have indeed driven humankind to slide to a very dangerous stage.” (*Lecture at the First Conference in North America*)

Li Hongzhi advocates segregation between races.

“Though oriental people and Westerners all live on earth, man does not know that there is something separating the East and the West.” (*Lecture in Sydney*)

“If you don’t belong to that race or you aren’t from that god’s paradise, he won’t take you.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Western U.S. Fa Conference*)

Accusing China of committing genocide.

After the official ban on Falun Gong, the vast majority of Falun Gong practitioners are now living a happy life. However, Falun Gong widely spread rumors of genocide, claiming the Chinese government was persecuting “more than one million Falun Gong followers who believed in Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance” and committing “genocide.” Chinese leaders were sued excessively by Falun Gong organization.

Falun Gong alleged that the self-immolation and homicide cases released by the media were instigation of public hatred against it. In June 1999, Zhao Zhizhen, former chief of the Wuhan TV Station, produced a TV feature named *Li Hongzhi: the Man, His Deeds and Fabrications*. Later Falun Gong accused Zhao of “stirring up hatred with media.”

On March 14, 2008, Lhasa violence caused heavy loss of life and property to local residents, and severely impaired the social order. The Chinese government handled the incident according to law, but Falun Gong called white black by describing it as the “genocide of Tibetans.”

In October 2008, an international roundtable on “Information Extremism: The Truth and Falsehood of Falun Gong Cult” was held in Kiev, Ukraine. Experts at the conference

concluded that “the doctrine of Falun Gong was of distinctive cult characteristics, and it implemented information extremism by stirring up hatred among religions, communities and citizens.”

IX. Falun Gong Becomes an Anti-China Political Organization

1. Frequently engaged in anti-China activities abroad

In order to advertise itself, fabricate rumors and demonize China, Falun Gong has established a colossal propaganda system, including newspapers, TV stations and websites, such as Epoch Times, New Tang Dynasty Television, and Minghui Net. According to statistics, Falun Gong's mouthpieces are the sources of most of the negative news or rumors about China.

Spreading the rumor of "Sujiatun Concentration Camp" to demonize China

To conceal its own crimes and frame up the Chinese government, Falun Gong has wantonly faked up a massive persecution story.

In March 2006, Falun Gong fabricated a story of "Sujiatun Concentration Camp," claiming around 6,000 Falun Gong followers were jailed at a concentration camp in Sujiatun Hospital, Shenyang, Liaoning Province, and corpses of followers were burned after their organs had been harvested. However, "We found no evidence that the site is being used for any function other than as a normal public hospital," authorities confirmed after on-site investigations by media of China and foreign countries, and foreign diplomatic missions in China, including the American Embassy to China and the American Consulate General in Shenyang. After the lie was exposed, Falun Gong shifted its focus to the issue of organ transplant in China, alleging that organs of Falun Gong followers were harvested. Consequently, Falun Gong has thoroughly lost its credit to people around the world because all their attacks were based on lies which were frequently sneered at.

Directly organizing and plotting activities against the Chinese government

At the end of November 2004, *Epoch Times*, a Falun Gong medium, published *Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*. Then, Falun Gong spread rumors that many CCP

members had quitted their memberships. Also, it set up the “Quit the CCP (Chinese Communist Party) Service Center” and a service website. Since then, the Falun Gong website has been updating the daily numbers of people quitting the CCP by 30,000 to 60,000, which were questioned by the world and even Falun Gong insiders. To patch up the lie, Falun Gong had to add “Quitting CCP’s affiliated organizations, i.e. the Communist Youth League and Young Pioneers.”

Furthermore, Falun Gong frequently organized anti-CCP or anti-China seminars, gatherings, and demonstrations in major cities abroad, or when international meetings in session. One example was “Supporting Three Quits.”

Besides, Falun Gong specially established the “World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong” or WOIPFL to systematically charge and sue excessively the Chinese officials, scholars, policemen and journalists, thus to carry out personal attacks and spiritual intimidation. As many as 13,000 people were on its “evil list.”

Advocating “quitting the CCP and its affiliated organizations” in order to disaggregate the CCP and overthrow China’s legitimate government

The so-called “Three Quits” refers to “quitting the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) membership,” “quitting the Chinese Communist Youth League (CCYL) membership” and “quitting Chinese Young Pioneer (CYP) membership.” It was a rumor churned out by Falun Gong which aimed at overthrowing the Chinese government.

By the end of April 2009, over 53 million people had quitted the CCP and its affiliated organizations, according to Falun Gong’s websites. As the most satirical representative, Li Hongzhi, the ringleader of Falun Gong, who hadn’t been a league member for a long period of time, declared that he quitted the Communist Youth League.

Holding the banner of human rights and religion, Falun Gong deceives and instigates the Western political circles to exclude and oppose China

Running away from China, Li Hongzhi has disguised himself as a victim of religious persecution and utilized every opportunity and occasion fanning the Western political

figures to exert pressure on the Chinese government. On March 2, 2000, a Chinese American Falun Gong follower was pre-arranged and presented at a hearing on “human rights of China and Tibet” held by the Foreign Relations Committee of the US Congress, to spread rumors and criticize China, claiming he was abused during his 8-day-imprisonment for “protecting the Fa” in Beijing a month before. On March 16, 2000, the US Commission on International Religious Freedom staged in Los Angeles a “Hearing on Issues of Religious Freedom of China,” in order to generate public sentiments for an anti-China proposal. Zhang Erping, Li Hongzhi’s assistant, and Wei Jingsheng, a member of an anti-China organization, appeared at this hearing and called upon related countries to reject China’s appeal of joining the WTO, and not to give China the status of permanent normal trade relationship by the USA.

Furthermore, Falun Gong has always been hand in glove with the Western anti-China forces. From 2000 to 2004, it had been offering “evidence” annually for anti-China proposals put forward by a few countries at the United Nations Conference on Human Rights held in Geneva.

Falun Gong also boycotted and sabotaged the Beijing Olympic Games. In order to obstruct China from hosting the Olympics, Falun Gong held a press conference in Toronto in March 2001, while the International Olympic Committee was visiting Canada. Then in June 2001, Minghui Net released *A Letter to the International Olympic Committee* requesting “Beijing should be forbidden to host the 2008 Olympic Games.” Falun Gong followers protested and demonstrated in Moscow in July 2001 where the IOC was voting. Meanwhile, they harassed and intimidated the committee’s commissioners by sending emails. He Zhenliang, a consultant of the Beijing Olympic Organizing Committee at that time, revealed, “Sometimes one commissioner received per day as many as 200 emails from Falun Gong.” On August 9, 2007, Falun Gong initiated so-called “Human Right Torch Relay” to boycott the Olympics. Besides, it spread plenty of rumors intending to wreck the Olympics.

To sum up, contrary to its disguise as a nonpolitical organization, Falun Gong has degraded into a genuine anti-China political organization. What it has done in these years

was all related to politics, and intended to overthrow the Chinese government.

2. Viciously driving wedges between China and other countries

Falun Gong frequently attacks China's friends around the world.

- **Criticizing Mr. Chirac, former French President**

A Falun Gong media accused former French President Chirac of “bowing and scraping to China,” after he warmly received Chinese President Hu Jintao who was on a state visit to France, in which event Falun Gong followers broke the local law and were arrested by French police for their interference with the meeting between the two leaders.

(French President Hurts France, Epoch Times, January 30, 2004, by Ji Ye)

- **Rebuking Mr. Roh Moo-hyun, former President of the Republic of Korea**

After the Divine Performing Arts Troupe of Falun Gong was forbidden to perform in Korea, Falun Gong denounced Mr. Roh Moo-hyun, president at that time, by saying that, “His ruling party suffered setbacks in general election because it acted at the CCP's beck and call, which led to imbalance between *Yin* and *Yang* and caused disharmony between the heaven and the earth.” *(Finding out the Answer from Resignation Photo of Korean Premier, People Daily, February 22, 2007)*

- **Denouncing Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, Singaporean Minister Mentor**

Since Falun Gong has been punished repeatedly according to law in Singapore, it accused the Singaporean government as “an autocratic government that takes orders from the CCP and has become a tool of persecuting the virtuous.” Mr. Lee Kuan Yew and his son were smeared by Falun Gong as “stars of calamity” to Singapore. *(Lee Kuan Yew Arrests His Savior, People Daily, January 22, 2007)*

- **Accusing Mr. Alexander Downer, former Australian Minister of Foreign Affairs**

Former Australian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Downer, issued for four years mandates forbidding Falun Gong followers to protest in front of the Chinese Embassy to Australia

because their banners and music did harm to the dignity of the Chinese Embassy or delegations. Thus, Falun Gong accused, “He caters for the CCP for economic interests and has become an accomplice of the CCP in persecuting Falun Gong.” (*Downer’s Second Hearing for Suspect of Abusing Power, Epoch Times*, September 13, 2006)

- Mr. Schroeder, former German Premier and Mr. Blair, former British Prime Minister were also cursed by Falun Gong, “they helped the tyrant to do evil,” for they developed actively relationships with China.

- **Rebuking Mr. Rogge, Chairman of International Olympic Committee for his firm support to the Beijing Olympics**

On March 5, 2008, *Epoch Times* issued *An Announcement on Investigating the Suspicion of Crimes against Humanity of Rogge*, claiming that, “In order to cooperate with the CCP, which turned the Beijing Olympics into an excuse of depriving human rights, he betrayed the Olympic spirit of liberty and the principle of ensuring basic human rights in the UN charter and lavished his authority as chairman of International Olympic Committee by prohibiting athletes of the world to discuss political issues during their taking part in the Beijing Olympics.” Furthermore, Mr. Rogge was threatened in this announcement that Falun Gong would “charge him of crimes against humanity by submitting investigation results to an independent judicial organ after democracy comes true in China.”

- **Attacking Mr. Pavarotti, a famous Italian tenor singer who had passed away**

Pavarotti died of pancreatic cancer on the morning of September 6, 2007 at the age of 71. The mainstream media of the world highly praised his achievements and grieved over his death. But Falun Gong rebuked him for “assisting the CCP in applying for hosting the Olympics.” “In a historical era that ‘Heaven extinguishes the CCP,’ the influential Pavarotti serving the CCP as its propaganda tool is no longer allowed by God to perform around the world, issue new specials of that kind or affect the world by his charm.” “He who allies himself with the CCP and propagandizes for it would pay out cost beyond redemption regardless who he is or how old he is.” (*Pavarotti Dies of This, People Daily*, September 7, 2007)

Falun Gong attacks leaders of the countries attending the Beijing Olympics.

- Falun Gong regarded heads of the countries attending the Beijing Olympics as “politicians who are good at twiddling with political balance and petty tricks and who have been dominated by the CCP.” “Leaders of the USA, Japan, Russia and France compromised with the CCP due to consideration of various interests, which became flaws in their political careers.” (*Secret Bargaining of Leaders Attending Beijing Olympics, People Daily*, August 3, 2008)

● Attacking Mr. Sarkozy, French President

“Like his marriage, Sarkozy’s attitude towards the Beijing Olympics is ambiguous. As a result, he has got into a dilemma with his fame declined.” (*Secret Bargaining of Leaders Attending Beijing Olympics, People Daily*, August 3, 2008)

● Accusing Mr. Kevin Rudd, Australian Premier

“Though able to speak Chinese fluently, he has learnt from the Chinese people their shortcomings of the tendency towards compromise and fraudulence.” (*Moral Choice in Attending Opening Ceremony of Beijing Olympics, Epoch Times*, August 2, 2008)

● Denouncing Mr. Yasuo Fukuda, Japanese Prime Minister

“The lame politician will certainly grasp the opportunity of showing off gallantly on the stage of the opening ceremony of the Beijing Olympics.”

● Attacking Mr. Brown, British Prime Minister

“Following a middle course, he is maintaining political balance on this matter.”

US then-President George W. Bush suffered more attacks than other leaders for supporting the Beijing Olympics.

“He is not aware that his giving up principles for benefits has become a blemish in his political career.” (*Moral Choice in Attending Opening Ceremony of Beijing Olympics, Epoch Times*, August 2, 2008)

“Bush will soon step down and become a common people, nothing more than a

former president.” (*When President Bush Sits on Stand, Epoch Times*, August 12, 2008)

“President Bush has turned into a doll dallied by the CCP, and into an example of the successful united front to the extent that he dare not say no when the CCP denied visa to some American athletes for the Beijing Olympics. He even accepted in Beijing the trap of showing China’s false religious freedom contrived by the CCP.” (*Beijing Olympics is a Manoeuvre Carried out by CCP to Abduct Humankind, Epoch Times*, August 14, 2008)

“The Bush family pretends to be unaware of many things when they can’t make money. George W. Bush has brought more damage to the USA than his father, including economic depression as well as other natural and man-made disasters.” (*Neither George W. Bush nor His Father is Virtuous, People Daily*, August 17, 2008)

Fabricating the so-called issue of “Chinese spies”

In June 2005, a defected former Chinese diplomat, Chen Yonglin, for the sake of settling in Australia, fabricated a story that there were about one thousand Chinese spies being active in Australia, and several kidnappings were done by them. Thus Falun Gong propagandized that “the Chinese spies were threatening sovereignty of other nations” so as to stir anti-China agitation in other nations.

In the same year, Falun Gong fabricated and propagandized the rumors of “CCP’ s three-year special agent program” and “Chinese Spy Network,” after Hao Fengjun, a policeman from Public Security Bureau of Tianjin, defected and fled to Australia, in order to spoil the relationship between China and Japan, Australia, USA, Canada and etc.

Spoiling the Sino-Tanzanian relationship by spreading a rumor that “a senior Chinese official was charged in Tanzania”

In August 2004, Falun Gong cooked up a rumor on its website that “a senior Chinese official was charged in Tanzania.” Nevertheless in December 2004, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation of Tanzania released a statement, claiming “the story is a mere fabrication aiming at spoiling the friendship between Tanzania and China.” “The Government will not allow any move by small groups of people, like the Falun Gong

cult to spoil or even embarrass the long standing friendship and brotherhood that exist between the upright people of China and Tanzania.”

3. Gradually turning into a political tool

The following is what Li Hongzhi has said to agitate his disciples to engage in politics.

“I mentioned earlier that when the Nine Commentaries first came out, some people couldn't understand it, and said, ‘Aren't we getting involved in politics by doing this?’ But what is politics? Suppose I, Li Hongzhi, were to really direct you to cultivate via politics – would you be able to cultivate to success? You absolutely would. As long as, in the process of doing work, the cultivators constantly used Dafa to guide their cultivation and their effort to be good and then even better persons, and assimilated and tempered themselves in Dafa, then they would continually improve, continually elevate, and be able to achieve Consummation. If today I were to guide you to cultivate in the format of a king and his subjects, with you cultivating as subjects, could you cultivate that way? (Applause) You absolutely could, and you definitely could achieve Consummation just the same. It would just be a matter of how to walk on that path, how to be responsible to all beings, and how to enable beings to improve. As long as the guidance of this Great Law was followed, it could be achieved. When it comes to specific forms, I didn't choose those ones. Having come this far today, it wouldn't be possible for US to choose something else all over again. This is how we cultivate; this is the way in which we cultivate.” (*Teaching the Fa in the City of Los Angeles*, February 25, 2006)

“If getting political can expose the persecution, if getting political can stop the persecution, if getting political can help clarify the facts, if getting political can save sentient beings, if getting political can do all of this good, then why not do so?...If when the world's media are kept silent by incentives and disincentives from the CCP, Dafa disciples' forming their own media to counter the persecution and save the world's people is labeled political, then let's go ahead and confidently make use of politics to expose the persecution and save sentient beings!” (*Further Remarks on Politics*, February 21, 2007)

“The public presence of a ‘Party-Quitting Center,’ or a ‘center for quitting the wicked CCP’...the fact is, it’s a powerful place for destroying evil...what is a Party-Quitting Center? Isn’t that a place for saving sentient beings?” (*Fa Teaching at the 2008 New York Conference*, May 24, 2008)

To disintegrate the CCP, Li Hongzhi calls for his disciples to distribute *Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*.

“To have the world’s people be aware of that vile party’s nature and why it has persecuted Dafa disciples, it has become necessary for people to learn about the Nine Commentaries...The Nine Commentaries aim to save all beings whose minds have been poisoned by the evil...The goal is to help beings in all realms see clearly the factors behind the malevolent CCP.” (*We Are Not “Getting Political”*)

On January 1, 2008, Falun Gong founded the so-called “China Interim Government,” together with anti-China groups like the Pro-Democracy Movement. Political goals of the so-called government were summed up as “repelling Communism, rebuilding China, national autonomy and federation republic.”

Falun Gong’s political nature has been well-understood by the media, organizations and related personage abroad.

On November 1, 2006, when attending a program “Guns and Butter” on KPFA in Berkeley of California, U.S., China commentator David Ewing said, “Falun Gong seems to be emerging as the largest anti-communism group in the world now.”

On December 18, 2006, in Ukraine, the intermediate court of Dnepropetrovsk made a verdict that Falun Gong failed in accusation against the local cultic study association. The Dnepropetrovsk court said in the ruling that “the Falun Gong League,” which was registered in 2002 as a cultural group, had been engaged in political activities against Ukraine’s friend – China. Falun Gong had exerted negative impact on Ukraine's relationship with China.

On February 7, 2007, the Supreme Court of San Francisco, California, ruled that

excluding Falun Gong practitioners from the Chinese New Year Parade sponsored by the state government was not a discrimination against them. It was the second time since 2006 that the Falun Gong practitioners were rejected of marching in the parade. The court's verdict was made on the ground that the practitioners violated the principle of no political activities at such an event, and they had circulated anti-China leaflets in the parade at earlier times.

In the second half of year 2007, the Falun Gong group tried several times to obstruct the Beijing 2008 Olympics float from taking part in the 119th Pasadena Rose Parade, California, but failed. Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard, who supported the Olympics float, had read to the city council a letter from C.L. Keedy, president of the Rose Parade organizing committee, which declared political neutrality of the parade. According to a report in Whittier Daily News on November 11, 2007, a "Human Rights Torch Relay" organized by the Falun Gong group touring in some places of the world, was exactly an activity against Beijing Olympics.

On February 10, 2008, Falun Gong was prevented from taking part in the festivities for the Year of the Rat held in Willington, New Zealand for the second year running because they are deemed to be a political organization.

On January 7, 2008, Los Angeles Times published *Ties to Falun Gong Add Controversy to the Chinese New Year Spectacular*. It points out, people say that though Falun Gong practitioners call themselves a religious group, their main message has been political – and some believe that politics, not culture, dominates in the Chinese New Year Spectacular.

Holding the banner of "religion and cultivation," Falun Gong is, in fact, carrying out political actions against the CCP and China.

X. Rumors Fabricated by Falun Gong

1. “Sujiatun Concentration Camp Incident”

On March 8, 2006, the Falun Gong organization outside Mainland China deliberately proposed a lurid rumor, the so-called “Sujiatun Concentration Camp Incident.” The rumor stated that in Sujiatun District of Shenyang City, Liaoning Province, there was a concentration camp surrounded by a three meters high wall with wire entanglements on the top, where there were more than 6,000 Falun Gong practitioners detained, and two thirds of them were already dead; their bodies were burned in the cremator of the concentration camp after their organs were harvested, which were sold illegally to domestic and foreign markets. Later on, Falun Gong changed its story, claiming that the camp was located in the Liaoning Center for Treatment of Thrombus Using TMC and Western Medicine (which was generally called Sujiatun Thrombus Hospital). Photos of the hospital and the so-called “cremator” were also publicized on the website by Falun Gong. On March 20, 2006, Falun Gong dished out a so-called “witness” named Anne, declared that she worked in the hospital, and her husband was a cerebral surgeon who personally took part in “harvesting corneas and other organs” of all the detainees since 2001. On March 31, Falun Gong trotted out another “witness” – “a veteran military surgeon,” claiming that the detainees were transferred to the basement of Sujiatun Thrombus Hospital after the incident being exposed.

In respond to the Falun Gong rumor, the Chinese authorities concerned had refuted it for many times. Soon after Falun Gong fabricated the rumor, the CNN, Washington Post, Reuters, NHK of Japan etc interviewed the hospital on the spot. On March 22, a U.S. consular official in Shenyang visited the hospital, and praised the environment and medical condition of the hospital. On April 4, the spokesman of Chinese Foreign Ministry again refuted the rumor when answering the question raised by the AP reporter. On April

12, the government of Sujiatun District and Liaoning Center for Treatment of Thrombus Using TMC and Western Medicine held a news conference in State Council Information Office of the People's Republic of China and denounced the despicable behavior of Falun Gong. On April 14, Mr. David A. Kornbluth, the consul general of US Consulate in Shenyang, and four others from the embassy, including an official Li Qisen and Dr. Shapiro, made an in-depth visit to the medical center which lasted for three and half hours. At the same day, the United States Department of State released a report regarding the two investigations. The report claimed, "We found no evidence that the site is being used for any function other than as a normal public hospital."

In fact, the rumor and "witnesses" Falun Gong fabricated were full of contradictions. For instance, Anne, the so-called "witness," claimed that the Sujiatun Thrombus Hospital conducted vivisection and illegally transplanted human organs. But actually, located at a downtown area, the hospital was classified in China as one of the Secondary-A level hospitals which meant it was not qualified to "remove human organs" in terms of equipment, medical experience and certificate of the doctors. Furthermore, the hospital only owned 300 sick-beds and there was no way to accommodate more than 6,000 people. The so-called cremator publicized by Falun Gong turned out to be a common boiler. According to Anne, the removed organs were sold to Thailand; but as far as we know, non-relative organ donation was strictly prohibited by law in Thailand, let alone import or export of human organs. The "witness" claimed her ex-husband was a cerebral surgeon, and conducted cornea removal operations since 2001; yet any one with common sense would ask, how could a cerebral surgeon be allowed to remove corneas?

Since the fabrication was far beyond reasonable, even Mr. Harry Wu, who lived abroad and called himself an anti-Chinese government "democratic activist" and an expert of "the issue of Chinese labor education," could not tolerate and wrote publicly to United States Congress and the media to deny the authenticity of the Falun Gong deceit.

2. “Report on organ harvesting of Falun Gong practitioners”

After the “Sujiatun Concentration Camp Incident” being completely exposed, and in order to divert the international attention and create confusion so as to patch up its lies, Falun Gong deliberately compounded another appalling rumor that the organ harvesting from Falun Gong practitioners was a common practice in many parts of China. On July 6, 2006, incited by the Falun Gong organization, two Canadians, David Kilgour, former Asia-Pacific Division Director of the Canadian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and David Matas, a human rights lawyer, issued the *Report on Allegations of Organ Harvesting of Falun Gong Practitioners in China*. Again on January 31, 2007 came out its revised edition. In the report, they claimed that the Chinese government, in a large quantity, was harvesting the living organs from Falun Gong practitioners.

In the report, Professor Shi Bingyi, vice-chairman of the China Medical Organ Transplant Association, was the only professional person as the witness identified by Mr. David Kilgour and Mr. David Matas. The report says: “Shi Bingyi, vice-chairman of the China Medical Organ Transplant Association, says there were about 90,000 transplants in total up until 2005, leaving about 60,000 transplants in the six year period from 2000 to 2005 since the persecution of Falun Gong began.” Professor Shi was very angry about the purely fictitious quotation by Mr. Kilgour and Mr. Matas and raised queries about their intention to fabricate his words. In early January 2007, when interviewed by BBC regarding this topic, Professor Shi Bingyi read a statement: “I have never spoken such words on any occasion. These statistics are utterly baseless. I have no idea for what purpose these two authors fabricated these words. Nor do I know what interests drove them to make rumors.”

The evidence mentioned in the report fell into two categories: (A) the deponent’s testimony or recording. The report did not provide the name, identification, address and contact details of any deponent or the time, venue, procedure, witness and etc. of the testimony. As to the recording, besides above-mentioned mistakes, the basic procedure

and regulation of phone-call investigation was not presented; and the recording itself also calls into question. (B) the materials downloaded by the author from the website or other channels which even Mr. Kilgour and Mr. Matas could not tell.

Surprisingly, the authors took as evidence the exposed lies again such as “Anne’s statement” to support the allegation of “massive organ harvesting” of Falun Gong practitioners.

The facts indicate that Falun Gong was the rumor maker and the trouble maker; that Falun Gong was a cult of bad faith; that the purpose of Falun Gong fabrication was to tarnish the image of the Chinese government.

3. “Three Quits” propaganda

The so-called “Three Quits” refers to “quitting the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) membership,” “quitting the Chinese Communist Youth League (CCYL) membership” and “quitting Chinese Young Pioneer (CYP) membership.” It was a rumor churned out by Falun Gong which aimed at overthrowing the Chinese government.

At the end of November 2004, the Epoch Times of Falun Gong released the series articles of “Nine Comments on CCP.” Soon after that, Falun Gong cooked up the rumor of “quitting the Party,” established the so-called “Quit the CCP (Chinese Communist Party) Service Center” and its website. The website constantly updated the figure Falun Gong imagined, and the people who “quitting the Party” increased at the rate of 30,000 to 60,000 each day. The figure was questioned both in and outside China, and many Falun Gong followers also suspected of the rumor. To patch up the lie, Falun Gong came up with another “two quits” – quitting the CCYL and the CYP.

The “Three Quits” figure was merely a political game of Falun Gong.

According to Falun Gong, the people who quit the Party increase at the rate of 30,000 to 60,000 every day. By the end of April 2009, the “Three Quits” Party members reached 53 million plus people. The figure only indicates the ignorant wish of Falun Gong: the CCP would collapse dramatically.

Yet the fact is that, the CCP members increase at the rate of 1,500,000 each year instead of decreasing. On October 8, 2007, the Organization Department of CCP Central Committee publicized a statistic: up to June 2007, the CCP members in China amounted to 73,363,000 compared to 64,220,000 members in 2002, when Sixteenth National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party was held. The average increase rate was 1,427,000 people, or 2.1 per cent each year.

According to the Chinese Youth League Central Committee, by the end of 2007, the CCYL members in China reached 75,439,000 compared to 69,860,000 members in 2002, with an increase rate of eight per cent each year. And according to the National CYP Working Committee, the CYP members amounted to about 130,000,000 children.

The facts reveal that the so-called “Three Quits” propaganda of Falun Gong was a sheer fabrication and extremely ridiculous.

4. Selected cases of Falun Gong practitioners who suffered from “persecution”

In order to cover up its cultic nature, Falun Gong attempts to draw sympathy from the Western society by spreading the so-called “persecution” stories.

Falun Gong has wantonly fabricated the so-called “personal persecution” stories ever since the official ban on Falun Gong. Besides the “massive persecution incidents” such as the “Sujiatun Concentration Camp Incident,” Falun Gong has concocted many “personal persecution” cases. Here are some examples.

- **“Liao Yuanhua was tortured in prison”**

From August to September 2004, the Minghui Net and the Epoch Times simultaneously published on their websites two appalling articles – *Liao Yuanhua, a Falun Gong Practitioner from Hubei Province Severely Tortured in Prison*; and *Liao Yuanhua, a Dafa Disciple Being Tortured by Excruciations at Fanjiatai Prison*. The latter publicized 17 photos as well as explanation words, and demonstrated vividly how Liao Yuanhua being “tortured by thirty different kinds of excruciations.”

However, the police investigation indicated that the so-called “excruciation” photos were all churned out by Liao Yuanhua, Wu Yonghong, Yu Jibin and other Falun Gong practitioners who lived in Wuxue City of Hubei Province.

In September 2001, the Minghui Net issued an instruction, asking Falun Gong followers to “collect” the materials of Dafa disciples being “persecuted.”

In the mid August 2004, Liao Yuanhua, a Falun Gong practitioner fabricated the article *Liao Yuanhua, a Falun Gong Practitioner from Hubei Province Severely Tortured in Prison* after long time plotting, and sent it to the Minghui Net. The news was immediately spread out by the Minghui Net. Later on, Liao Yuanhua received another “instruction” from Falun Gong organization outside China: To provide simulation pictures of the “torturing.”

Upon receiving the message, Liao and other Falun Gong members plotted and prepared the props: One digital camera; three pairs of shoes; a suit of police uniform; two pieces of doctor’s clothes; and an iron chain which was originally used to lock a handcart.

In the suburbs, a tile factory was taken as background of these photos. In Liao Yuanhua’s own home, he and other Falun Gong elements dressed themselves up as doctors, the convicts and the jailers of a prison, and shoot over 100 photos with various kinds of postures, such as the one of “hands being twisted,” the “whole body being hung up and beaten,” and the “head being hit by an iron clothes-stand.” Then, Liao Yuanhua and Yu Shaojun, by means of cutting out, clipping, pasting, and piecing together, churned out more than 20 “combined” photos, and passed 17 choice ones to the Minghui Net.

The case was soon cleared up by police. Liao Yuanhua confessed: “All words and photos were faked,” and that the fabricated pictures were used by the Minghui Net as propaganda to expand the influence of Falun Gong.

According to the confession of Yu Shaojun, the photo of “whole body being hung up and beaten” on Minghui Net was actually a combination of five photos: two photos of empty beds, three photos of Liao Yuanhua – the head, legs and body of Liao respectively – combined into a suspended body of Liao with hands and legs being fixed at two ends. Five photos were pieced together into one. And a fabricated detail of the picture: Two

collars of the fetters on the photo were actually the “genius work” of Yu Shaojun – he “added them up” with Photoshop Software on his computer. Other two photos, the so-called “firebrick scorching” pictures were fabricated out of four original photos: two photos were outdoor scenes of the tile factory; two were taken at Yu Jibin’s home while Wu Yonghong and Yu Jibin wrestling with Liao. These four photos were mixed up and pieced together to form two “real photos” of the tile factory.

Other faked photos and the fabricated stories such as “hands being twisted,” “head bumping against a wall,” “going to toilet was prohibited,” or even “injecting unidentified medicines by force” etc can be found everywhere in the same article published by Minghui Net.

Liao Yuanhua said: “Obsessed by Falun Gong fallacies, I lost common sense and acted upon whatever Li Hongzhi said. Since I could not tell truth from lies at that time, I took the cultic teachings as the code of conduct.”

Yu Shaojun said: “He (Li Hongzhi) regards the obsessed followers like us as an instrument, or we fall a prey to him. Under the camouflage of ‘Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance’, he asks us to fabricate and spread rumors.”

- **“Wei Xingyan was raped in public”**

In May 2003, Falun Gong fabricated a story that Wei Xingyan, a graduate student of Chongqing University, was arrested for “telling the truth,” and later raped in public by a policeman of Baihelin Detention House in Shapingba District. Later, Wei Xingyan went on a hunger strike to protest, and the police damaged her windpipe and esophagus by force food injection, such that she was not able to speak and her life was at stake.

The investigation by the Chinese police authority revealed that there was neither such a major called “high voltage DC power transmission and simulation technology,” nor a student named Wei Xingyan, let alone an incident of “Wei Xingyan being raped by a police man.” The rape case of Wei Xingyan was a sheer lie cooked up by Falun Gong practitioners Chen Shumin and Lu Zhengqi following Falun Gong’s instructions. Therefore, Chongqing University refuted the rumor publicly. In February 2004, the First Intermediate

People's Court of Chongqing publicly judged the Chen Shumin case, which was covered by the media. The fact proves that the rumor was fabricated by Falun Gong.

- **“Li Yanhua was persecuted to death”**

In the series articles of “Nine Commentaries” cooked up by Falun Gong, a case was quoted: On February 19, 2001, Li Yanhua, a Falun Gong practitioner from Liaoning Province, was kidnapped by the police and beaten to death, when she was distributing leaflets of Falun Gong.

The investigation revealed that the so-called persecution of Li Yanhua was fabricated by local Falun Gong followers.

Li Yanhua, female, 58 years old, lived in Dongjiang Village, Nanlou Economic and Development Area, Dashiqiao city, and began to practice Falun Gong in 1994. On February 19, 2001, Li Yanhua's diabetes reoccurred abruptly en route of distributing illegal Falun Gong leaflets required by the Falun Gong Headquarters. She died after emergency treatment.

At about 23:00 o'clock on February 22, four Falun Gong practitioners, Wang Changshun, Xu Zhengqiang, Liu Qingnian and Lu Guozhan, carrying a camera, a screwdriver, and electric torches, stole into the mortuary of the Donghuan Hospital. They dragged out the corpse from the ice chest, threw the body onto the floor, and stripped it. Wang Changshun took seven photographs. In the mortuary was left a poster written in advance reading “Beaten to death by police, Li's spirit calls for a redress.” Later, an article counter to the fact dictated by Wang Changshun and recorded by Li Ying, was turned into leaflets for distribution, and posted on Falun Gong websites to make sensations.

Recalling the event, Lu Guozhan said: “In the mortuary, we didn't find out any bruises we had expected on her body.” “We became obsessed with ideas of ‘Fa-rectification’ and ‘protecting the Fa’ at that time, and all we did was in the interest of Falun Gong. By and by, these ideas became the habit mode of our thinking.”

Local residents felt a great repugnance to the rumor. Persons concerned in the case,

such as the villager who found Li Yanhua at the first place; the policeman who went to Li's rescue; the doctor who gave treatment to Li Yanhua; the man who guarded the mortuary entrance and dressed Li after her death; and the legal medical expert who conducted forensic identification for Li Yuanhua, all expressed their indignation, and thought the fabrication of Falun Gong was naive and ridiculous.

Mr. Feng Mingsen, Li Yanhua's husband, was boiled with rage about the incident. No one would tolerate the barbarous act of striping the body of Li Yanhua and took pictures of it. Mr. Feng condemned not only the convicts but also the black hands behind the scene: "They (Falun Gong members) confused right and wrong, and they brought sufferings to people all over our country. You know how we address them? Demons! Only Falun Gong could do such a thing so mean."

Experts from medical circles publicly question the authenticity of the "excruciation" pictures publicized on Falun Gong websites.

Mr. Rambodoc, a surgeon in Calcutta of India, wrote on his personal Blog an article *Is the Falun Gong Going Wrong*, querying the authenticity of photos publicized by Falun Gong from his professional point of view. The article pointed out that, in many cases, the injury demonstrated on the photo did not tally with what the words had described. "Medically speaking, this falls close to the category of myth or rubbish." Mr. Rambodoc also held counsel with Ken Mattox, a senior American surgeon and other medical experts, about the issue. Mattox said: "Photographs can be deceiving."

To the surgeon's astonishment, several photos used by Falun Gong to illustrate "how breasts of many women were damaged and infected after electric execution," were actually shoot from a same woman who suffered from a terminal breast cancer.

In the case of Ms. Gao Rongrong, who was allegedly tortured with an electric baton held inside her mouth for hours, the pictures seem to be surprisingly benign. Medically, a trauma of that severity would have led to tongue swelling to the point of causing obstruction in breathing, and a phenomenal facial swelling would also be seen. Electrical burns also cause scars, the kind of which are lacking in the pictures.

Similar allegations can easily be found on Falun Gong websites, such as: “Her nose was injured as a result of the brutal force-feeding, turned into an abscess, and became cancerous in 2003. She died on July 12, 2007”; “She developed cancer after being subjected to severe physical abuse.” In Mr. Rambodoc’s words: “Medically speaking, this falls close to the category of myth or rubbish.”

The above-mentioned are just some examples of the so-called persecution cases. Up to now, Falun Gong is still willfully spreading these fabrications.

XI. Falun Gong's Cultic and Political Agitprop

1. How Falun Gong looks at arts

Li Hongzhi says that arts are degenerating into a tool for the venting of demon nature.

“Since mankind's values are still sliding down, at present, the arts are now becoming real and concrete displays of mankind's demon nature. The arts are becoming a blasphemy of the sacred arts, they have completely become a tool for the venting of demon nature, and what they portray are demons, ghosts, and monsters.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Discussion on Creating Fine Art*)

Li Hongzhi also claims that modern arts damage people's moral values so they are “all harmful garbage.”

“They hang up a so-called modernistic piece and show it to people...In reality those things are all garbage that's harmful to people.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Discussion on Creating Fine Art*)

“So, those so-called modern art things are usually not too good, because they are not only harmful to the painters but they also bring psychological harm to those who view the work, and they seriously damage people's moral values as well.” (*Teaching the Fa at the Discussion on Creating Fine Art*)

Li Hongzhi even attacks Picasso and Van Gogh, accusing them of having destroyed human arts and cultures.

“The modern arts of recent times were arranged by some other kinds of gods – namely, the bunch that are of the old forces and that are trying to direct the Fa-rectification today. Why did a Van Gogh come along? Why did a Picasso come along? These people, too, were arranged by them to come, but they came to play a negative role, and the purpose was to have everything in mankind's culture become degenerate at the same

time that mankind's morality was sliding downward. So those two people came to disrupt mankind's art. The purpose was to corrupt mankind's art – they came entirely to ruin mankind's culture. Mankind's art has gotten to the demonic state it's in today because of the foundation they laid back then for the so-called 'Modernism.'" (*Teaching the Fa at the Discussion on Creating Fine Art*)

2. "Divine Performing Arts Show," a political propaganda of Falun Gong

"Divine Performing Arts Show" is a joint name for "Chinese New Year Spectacular," "Chinese New Year Splendor," "Holiday Wonder," "Divine Land Marching Band Parade" and other performances given by the Divine Performing Arts Troupe of Falun Gong. The troupe originally tours the world every year to give performances under various names mentioned above. Since 2007, these activities are jointly called "Divine Performing Arts Show."

"Divine Performing Arts Show" is organized by Falun Gong and masterminded by Li Hongzhi.

The major organizer of "Divine Performing Arts Show" is "Falun Dafa Association," the core of Falun Gong organization. Other Falun Gong media such as the New Tang Dynasty Television, Epoch Times and Sound of Hope Radio also take part in the propaganda.

On May 24, 2008, Li Hongzhi, in the presence of over 3,000 Falun Gong followers at New York Fa Conference, openly admitted: the Divine Performing Arts shows sponsored by local Falun Dafa Association branches were "under my orders."

On May 25, 2008, the People Daily, a Falun Gong website, published an article which claimed that Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, was the chief director of the Divine Performing Arts Troupe.

Actually, the mainstream media in United States are very clear about the background of the "Divine Performing Arts Show." On February 6, 2008, the New York Times published an anonymous news feature named *A Glimpse of Chinese Culture That Some Find Hard to*

Watch, it read: “The show, which runs through Saturday, is a production of New Tang Dynasty Television, a nonprofit satellite broadcaster started by Falun Gong followers and based in New York. With roughly 200 performances planned for 2008 – the company employs two troupes.”

“Divine Performing Arts Show” spreads Falun Gong cultic teachings.

On May 24, 2008, a Fa teaching conference was held in New York City. During the conference, Li Hongzhi answered several questions put forward by his followers. The conversations revealed that the major purpose of the “Divine Performing Arts Show” was to spread Falun Gong teachings.

Q: In the first act of the *Descent of the Celestial Kings*, you ask our disciples if we would like to descend to the world and become kings for millenarian years. What’s the meaning of “kings for millenarian years”? We are puzzled.

Li: It means one thousand years ago, the King of kings descended to this world, and that’s it. From then on, my disciples followed me and all became kings. Now one thousand years have passed, our Dafa disciples have served as kings in all places of this world for the same time span.

Q: The Spectacular was really splendid this year. I wonder in the next year, if the show will be more moving and far-reaching?

Li: What we are doing is to save people. The Divine Performing Arts shows will continue, that’s for sure. Of course, more audience and more places means more people are willing to watch our show; this facilitates our work of saving people, so it also means more people would be saved.

A song *Holy Falun King* in the show brazenly lavishes praise on Li Hongzhi, claiming that Li is the King of kings; that Li comes to the earth to save people before the World Doomsday. It also urges people to join Falun Gong, not to lose the chance of becoming gods. Verses of the song are as follows:

The King of kings descends to our Earth,

He saves us by teaching "Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance."

The King of kings descends to our Earth,

He brings us good luck and the law of universe;

The Lord turns Falun to remake the cosmos,

He turns our ordinary people into gods.

Now our Lord is calling people to follow Dafa,

Never let the worldly attachments puzzle us.

This is a chance once in a thousand years,

And do not hesitate over your best choice.

Some journalists from the West expressed their views after attending the shows.

On January 20, 2008, the Toronto-based Canadian newspaper *The Star* published an article *Falun Gong New Year Event Mere Propaganda*, stating: "The production is so heavily laden with Falun Gong messages as to negate any pleasure the dancing and singing might have afforded."

On February 25, 2008, the British newspaper *Telegraph* published an article *Shen Yun: Propaganda as Entertainment*, claiming "Acrobatics, singing and dancing skills are used in the service of a propaganda exercise on the part of Falun Gong." "Most of the members of the Divine Performing Arts troupe are members of Falun Gong. But their beliefs do not simply form a backdrop to a neutral presentation of traditional Chinese dance and legends. They are the focal point of the evening. Thus the songs boast about the benefit of the laws and principles by which they live."

The "Chinese Spectacular" is politically motivated, spreading rumors and attacking the Chinese government.

"The climax is a vignette set in a modern Chinese park, where a good woman and her daughter are beaten for their beliefs by evil Communist Party thugs until the people rise up

against them.” This paragraph was part of the article *Shen Yun: Propaganda as Entertainment* published on February 25, 2008, by Sarah Crompton, a journalist from the British newspaper *Telegraph*. She said: “What I really object to is that such a politically motivated performance is being smuggled on to stages around Europe in the name of family entertainment.”

Falun Gong never conceals the political inclination of Divine Performing Arts shows.

“Every year Dafa disciples have put together a Chinese New Year show, and with time it spread to other regions, with other countries even holding their own shows. Why are we doing that? To entertain ordinary people? Absolutely not. Everyone is clear on this. What we wish to do is to, through this medium, display Dafa disciples’ demeanor, do away with the lies and slander that the wicked Party has instilled in people, and at the same time save all beings and clarify the facts.” (*Fa Teaching at the 2007 New York Fa Conference*)

“In Dafa programs, we have nothing to conceal. We are saving the sentient beings. After the performance, we all see from reaction of the audience that, the program reflecting persecution of our Dafa disciples is the best.” (*Fa Teaching at the 2008 New York Fa Conference*, May 24, 2008)

Some Western media criticized the show as politics-oriented.

“Most of the Chinese community think it’s linked too much with political events,” Michael Cheung, president of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, based in downtown Los Angeles said, “I saw the show last year at the Kodak Theatre. Some of the content reflects politics and human rights; it is not exactly art.” (*Ties to Falun Gong Add Controversy to the Chinese New Year Spectacular*, Los Angeles Times, January 7, 2008)

On January 9, 2008, the American newspaper *Star-Telegram* commented in the article *Show's Beauty Shaded by Political Message*: “The basic message – Falun Gong good, Chinese government bad – could not have been clearer.”

On February 6, 2008, the American newspaper *New York Times* mentioned in *A Glimpse of Chinese Culture That Some Find Hard to Watch* that more members of the

audience “had realized that the show was not simply a celebration of the Chinese New Year, but an outreach of Falun Gong, that is banned in China.”

On March 31, 2008, the Melbourne-based Australian newspaper *The Age* reported: “Many performers of the show are Chinese exiles who follow Falun Gong. Lead dancer and assistant company manager Vina Lee said the show told traditional spiritual stories suppressed by the Chinese Government.”

Organizers of the show also admitted: The programs peppered with political contents. When Simone Gao, one of the show’s producers received the interview of *Los Angeles Times*, said, “In one piece, policemen come in and drag the practitioners off and beat them. Later on, the people in the park start to stand up and block the police, and eventually the police retreat.” (*Ties to Falun Gong Add Controversy to the Chinese New Year Spectacular*, Los Angeles Times, January 7, 2008)

Furthermore, many organizers of the show were activists of the anti-Chinese government movement. For example, Leeshai Lemish, who served as a compeer of the show at New York City in recent years, was actually a journalist for Epoch Times. In 2001, he was detained on charges of putting up slogans at Tian’anmen Square.

Falun Gong deliberately denied its relations with the “Divine Performing Arts Show,” solicited sponsorship by cheating, and inveigled celebrities into supporting the show.

On May 24, 2008, when answering questions raised by Falun Gong followers on the Fa teaching conference at New York City, Li Hongzhi taught his students how to ask for financial support.

Q: In order to seek financial support for the Divine Performing Arts show, we are sending out letters to places all over the world. Is it OK to mention Falun Gong, “Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance,” NTDTV, Divine Performing Arts show as one thing in our letters?

Li: At present, no one would deny that the NTDTV is sponsored by our Dafa disciples.

And the whole world knows that "Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance" is the cultivation principle of Dafa disciples. You seem to say, is it right to mention it while seeking financial support. I'll tell you what. When you ask for financial support, do not regard it as asking for money; take it as saving people. Tell him, you have a bright future if you help us; otherwise you are hopeless. So you go and tell him the truth, that's the first thing you should do; and saving people is always the first thing we should do.

On February 6, 2008, the American newspaper *New York Times* reported: John Campi, vice president for promotion and community affairs at *The Daily News*, one of the listed sponsors, said the newspaper's sponsorship involved trading a one-page ad in the paper for a Daily News ad on the back cover of the program. "I had heard that they were connected with a political group, and I said if this show is political, I'm not getting into it," he said, "And they said it wasn't."

In January 2006, according to usual practice, US president George W. Bush and UK Prime Minister Tony Blair wrote congratulatory letters to Chinese people on occasion of the Chinese lunar New Year. Falun Gong released news on Epoch Times, NTDTV and other media, claiming that the letters were written especially for Falun Gong's Divine Performing Arts shows.

On January 20, 2007, the Associated Press published an article *Falun Gong Show Called Propagandas*, pointing out: "The show's program features letters of support from a long list of American officials, including Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. Aides for Schwarzenegger and Boxer said they had simply responded to requests for Chinese New Year greetings, and hadn't seen the show and weren't aware of its Falun Gong connections."

The New York Times also reported: The brochures include what appears to be an endorsement quotation from Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg "Brings to life the rich traditions of ancient China right here in the Big Apple." However, a spokesman for the mayor, John Gallagher, said that Mr. Bloomberg had neither seen the show nor praised it, and that the quotation may have been taken from a greeting card Mr. Bloomberg sent to

Chinese-American organizations in which he saluted Chinese New Year celebrations in general.”

On January 23, 2008, the Minghui Net boasted: “The vice president of Hilton acclaimed Ren Fengwu as one of the world’s top-level lead dancers.” Actually, the “vice president of Hilton” mentioned above was just a branch manager assistant at Las Vegas Hilton Hotel; and Ren Fengwu was a professional dancer at the “New Tang Dynasty Divine Performing Arts” troupe.

On March 7, 2008, Martin Rundkvist, a Sweden archaeologist, wrote in his personal Blog: “Who really lies behind the show isn’t readily apparent from the posters, as it lists mainly newspapers and other media companies (Epoch Times, New Tang Dynasty Television and others) as its supporters. These are all, however, controlled by Falun Gong, and that’s where the profits end up.”

Judging from facts, it can be seen that the so-called “Divine Performing Arts Show” is a mere political instrument employed by Falun Gong to expand its influence and engage in cultic and anti-China activities. The show, deceiving people and fooling audience, brings disgrace and misrepresentation on the Chinese culture.

3. “Global Competition Series,” a sheer political fraud

In recent years, Falun Gong wantonly has been engaged in anti-China activities outside China. Under the spirit control of Falun Gong, many practitioners outside China rejected medical help, resulting in injuries or even deaths. As more and more cases were exposed, both men of insight and the populace in the West began to suspect the reactionary and cultic nature of Falun Gong. To extricate from predicament, Falun Gong adopted new tactics for its survival. It put on various “Divine Performing Arts shows” and propagated the so-called “Divine culture” in many Western countries, shamelessly flattered Li Hongzhi and clumsily attacked the Chinese government. Since the performances were full of Falun Gong propaganda and of inferior quality, the programs were mocked by both Chinese and Western spectators who were taken in to watch the

show.

Therefore, since 2007, Falun Gong has plotted and organized the so-called “Global Competition Series” which aimed at enlisting able men for its cultic propagation activities. These competitions include: the International Chinese Traditional Martial Arts Competition, the Chinese International Violin Competition, the Chinese International Vocal Competition, the Chinese International Piano Competition, the Global Han Couture Design Competition, the Chinese International Figure Painting Competition, the International Chinese Culinary Competition, the Chinese International Photography Competition, the International Chinese Classical Dance Competition, and so on so forth.

These competitions were usually sponsored by NTD Television, Epoch Times, or Sound of Hope Radio, which all claimed to be “common media,” but were the mouthpieces of Falun Gong in reality. Falun Gong called these competitions “Global Series,” or “International Competition,” claiming the purpose of them was to bring back the essence of traditional Chinese culture. But actually, the competitions were sheer political frauds employed by Falun Gong to attract the public.

Falun Gong members collected on the internet a long list of names, including people from culture, sports and arts circles both in and outside China. To lure these people into taking part in the competitions, Falun Gong instigated its followers to invite them by telephone, fax, email, letter, recommendation of acquaintance etc, regardless of how other people were annoyed.

Yet up to present, the competitions have attracted few people except Falun Gong practitioners; each activity with only a hundred or even a few dozens of participants – the competitions turn into self-consolation or recreation of Falun Gong followers. The trickery Falun Gong performed fails once again.

4. Mouthpieces of Falun Gong

Falun Gong media consist of newspapers, radio stations, television stations, film studios and websites etc. Such a large-scale media system demonstrates

Falun Gong's intention to cover up its cultic features, partially reflecting its long-term strategy of taking root in the Western countries.

Falun Gong media fall into two categories: the Dafa media and the Ordinary People media. The Dafa media are responsible for transmitting the orders from Li Hongzhi and Falun Gong Headquarters, and direct Falun Gong followers in their cultivation. These include: Minghui Net, Clear Harmony Net, Zhengwu Net, Guangming Net, Pure Insight Net, Xinsheng Net, FGM TV, FGM TV Production Center of Taiwan, MH Radio, and Minghui Weekly etc. The Ordinary People media are the instruments of propaganda which set against the Party and the Chinese government. These include: Epoch Times, New Tang Dynasty Television, Apollo Net (aboluowang.com), People Daily (renminbao.com), Secret China News, Sound of Hope Radio, and Shen Zhou Film Studio etc.

- **Minghui Net:** A professional website of Falun Gong that is responsible for transmitting the orders from Li Hongzhi and Falun Gong Headquarters. In June 1999, Minghui Net came into operation; with nine versions at present: Chinese, English, German, French, Russian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and Vietnamese. Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Gong, stressed: Follow the Minghui Net on important issues. So Minghui Net is an important platform on which Li Hongzhi expresses his opinions, conducts Fa-teachings and issues his new scriptures.

- **Epoch Times:** Being the most important newspaper and website of Falun Gong, the head office of Epoch Times is located in the Midtown of Manhattan, USA. With branch offices spread over 30 countries, the newspaper has 10 versions (language); in most areas, the newspaper being distributed free of charge. Falun Gong claims that the weekly circulation of the newspaper reaches 1.4 million copies. From 2004, it published the notorious "Nine Commentaries," slandering and defaming the Chinese Communist Party. In January 2007, AP quoted the comment of Ming Xia, a political science professor at the College of Staten Island, "To some degree, Epoch Times indicates a part of the Falun Gong strategy to embed itself into the large civil society for influence and legitimacy." And, some observers say Epoch Times appears to be a major element of a global public relations campaign by Falun Gong to gain sympathy and new followers.

- **New Tang Dynasty Television Station (NTDTV):** It was established in 2000. With headquarters at New York, USA, it has 50 journalist centers around the world. Falun Gong spends three million US Dollars every year on renting four communications satellites for it. And the Station broadcasts 24 hours around the clock in English and Chinese (both Mandarin and Cantonese) to countries all over the world. From 2004, it employs two arts troupes which are touring the globe and conducting cultic propaganda in the name of art performance. The Station claims to be “an independent” mass media which serves the global Chinese. But in reality, it is an instrument manipulated by Falun Gong to conduct cultic and anti-China propaganda.

The “Divine Performing Arts Show,” originally called the “New Tang Dynasty Television Chinese New Year Spectacular,” is directly sponsored by NTDTV and serves as a cultic propaganda platform.

- **Sound of Hope Radio:** It is an international radio station. With headquarters located in San Francisco, USA, it has many branch radio stations in Canada, Britain, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and Taiwan. Websites attached to the radio stations have many versions (language) such as Chinese, Vietnamese, English, Spanish, French and Korean.

In addition, the Broad Press, the Broad Bookstore and the Minghui School which play a supporting role in the cultic propaganda, also belong to the Falun Gong organization.

5. Lodging false accusations and filing abusive lawsuits outside China

To threaten dissidents and retaliate against opponents, Falun Gong frequently lodges accusations and files lawsuits outside Mainland China.

On January 20, 2003, Falun Gong established a special organization called “World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong” or WOIPFG, scraped together a handful of professional litigants and engaged in systematical false accusations and abusive lawsuits.

According to Falun Gong, people from all walks of life both in and outside China, regardless of their social status or what's ever, may turn into the accused so long as they harm the interest of Falun Gong or speak ill of the cultic organization.

Falun Gong exercises public opinion “hegemony,” attacks the media that hold different views from it, such as the Canadian newspaper *La Presse Chinoise* (*Chinese Press*), and the Australian newspaper *Chinese Daily*.

On November 3, 2001, the Canadian newspaper *Chinese Press* published an article criticizing Falun Gong, and initiated a seven-year long litigation. At last, the newspaper won the case.

In December 2003, the Australian newspaper *Chinese Daily* published a statement issued by the Chinese Embassy to Australia, denouncing Falun Gong. As a result, the newspaper was accused of libeling by Falun Gong, and was forced to change name because the newspaper could not afford the legal expense. On April 5, 2006, Falun Gong was sentenced to pay a compensation of 30,000 Australian Dollars. To avoid the punishment, Falun Gong shamelessly declared that, its two prosecutors, “New South Wales Falun Dafa Association” and “New Tang Dynasty TV Australia Ltd.,” went bankrupt.

In retaliation, Falun Gong has filed abusive lawsuits against people and organizations which expose and denounce it.

These include: the Association for Cultic Studies of Dnipropetrovsk of Ukraine; the Ottawa Chinese Newcomers Senior; Guo Chuanjie, deputy secretary of the Party Group of Chinese Academy of Sciences; Wang Yusheng, vice chairman of the China Association for Cultic Studies; and Zhao Zhizhen, former director of Wuhan Television Station in Hubei Province.

In 1999, the Wuhan TV Station, under the leadership of Zhao Zhizhen, produced a documentary named *Li Hongzhi: the Man, His Deeds and Fabrications*, revealed the facts of how Li Hongzhi blasphemed science and took people in. On July 14, 2004, Falun Gong filed a lawsuit to US Federal Court in Connecticut against Zhao Zhizhen, who was then on a private trip to the USA.

In the summer of 2005, the International Cultic Studies Association was planning to hold a meeting in Spain on the issue of Falun Gong. Under the litigation threat of Falun Gong, the association was forced to cancel the speech of Mr. Samuel Luo, a famous cultic study expert in San Francisco. "Any action that validates, supports, or gives credence to the (Chinese Communist Party's) propaganda, lies, and defamation about the practice of Falun Gong is in itself collaborating in the genocide and tortures," wrote attorney Carlos Iglesias Jimenez, who speaking on behalf of Falun Gong in a letter to the association.

Due to its strong political overtones, Falun Gong has been frequently banned from celebration activities by other social groups. Falun Gong also has pestered them by filing lawsuits.

Since 2006, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, one Chinese group in San Francisco, USA, consecutively for three years rejected Falun Gong practitioners to participate in the Chinese Lunar New Year Parade on ground that Falun Gong "concealed political motives"; Falun Gong brought an accusation against the chamber before the court, but the court ruled in favor of the chamber's decision.

Because Falun Gong practitioners distributed "savage torture" pictures to tourists in the Christmas Parade at earlier times, they were rejected of marching in the parade for eight consecutive years by the organizing committee of Auckland, New Zealand. Falun Gong filed lawsuits against the organizer – Auckland Children's Christmas Parade Trust. Michael Barnett, chairman of the trust, who had to hire security when Falun Gong picketed his office in 2007 in response to his banning the group's 70-piece marching band from the parade.

Some authoritative departments or governmental officials outside China have been also sued by Falun Gong for "offending" it.

For instance, the Falun Gong group filed a suit against the Department of Justice of Moldova for rejecting Falun Gong's registration application; against Singapore Senior Minister Lee Kuan Yew for his open criticism; against former Australian Foreign Minister Alexander Downer for issuing the order to prohibit Falun Gong from stirring up troubles

before the Embassy, etc.

According to incomplete statistics, Falun Gong has filed over 100 lawsuits since 2001 at countries such as the United States, Canada, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Spain, South Korea, Greece, Australia, Bolivia and Netherlands, but seldom won.

XII. Public Opinions on Falun Gong

1. People in China

Before Falun Gong was banned legally by the Chinese government, people of various circles and the grassroots had already expressed their strong discontent with Falun Gong because it destroyed families, did harm to the practitioners, disrupted social stability, and defrauded its followers of their money and belongings. Family members of the victims, journalists as well as scientists frequently wrote to the mass media or in many other ways, exposing and denouncing Falun Gong. They asked the Chinese government to take drastic measures on Falun Gong so as to protect innocent people and their families.

In view of the great harms done to society and at the request of the Chinese people, especially people from the religious circles, the Chinese government officially banned Falun Gong in accordance with the law on July 22, 1999.

Chinese people acclaim the ban on Falun Gong.

In 2003, a questionnaire at Shaanxi Province indicates that, 99.39 per cent of the respondents think Falun Gong is a cult, and 98.75 per cent of them support the government's ban on Falun Gong.

Many people expose and denounce Falun Gong spontaneously after the ban on Falun Gong.

In December 2000, China Association for Cultic Studies initiated a signature drive named "Against Cults, Guarantee Human Rights" in Beijing, Shanghai, Tianjin, Henan, Hubei, Sichuan, Jiangxi, Hunan, Shaanxi, etc. In only three months, 1.52 million signatures were collected from major cities around China. Taking Sichuan as an example, hundreds of thousands of people poured into the stadium to sign their name on February 1, 2001.

By March 2002, China Association for Cultic Studies had received 15,378 letters nationwide, expressing support for the drive of “Against Cults, Guarantee Human Rights.”

On May 20, 2008, the Tencent Net (www.qq.com) publicized on the Internet a video program *In New York, Noisy Falun Gong Followers Disrupt Donation for Quake Stricken People of Sichuan*. By October 31, over 51,435 comments flooded in, condemning the doings of Falun Gong. Many people pointed out on the Internet that Falun Gong was a discredit to the Chinese people, more people appealed to the government for further crack-down on the cult.

From August 5 to 15, 2008, two surveys were carried out by the cultic study website of China – the Kaiwind Net. One of the survey shows that 44.4 per cent of the responders think Falun Gong is “a political clique living abroad”; 43.24 per cent consider it “a cult exercising spiritual control.” Those who think it is “a spiritual belief” or “a pseudo-Qigong cheating and murdering for money” constitute 7.72 per cent and 4.63 per cent respectively. The other survey shows that those who are against Falun Gong amounted to 89.43 per cent. Only 5.69 per cent of the responders hold an “indifferent attitude” toward Falun Gong.

2. People outside China

Falun Gong is detested by overseas Chinese communities and organizations. Especially, the main streams of American Chinese have lost their sympathy for it. Falun Gong has initiated discontent.

On May 12, 2008, a violent earthquake measured 8.0 on the Richter scale struck Sichuan, China, and caused great losses of life and property. On May 17, the donation solicitation for earthquake-stricken area organized by the overseas Chinese in Flushing, New York was disturbed by Falun Gong followers. It aroused strong indignation of the overseas Chinese who later gathered spontaneously to condemn Falun Gong. And the confrontation lasted more than 10 days. During the Flushing event, American citizens of Chinese origin denounced the cult sharply, thinking Falun Gong “had sold its soul,” “was shameless,” and “was unconscionable.” Some even called it “garbage,” “scum of a

nation," "cult," and "traitor." A New Yorker protesting Falun Gong said: "I went to work last Sunday morning. A Falun Gong follower handed me a newspaper when I was getting into the subway. My boss told me: Do not read Falun Gong newspapers since the cult was politicized and demonized. They (Falun Gong members) are evils."

As the true colors of Falun Gong are gradually exposed, more and more foreigners place Falun Gong on a par with other cults such as the "Church of Scientology" and the "Raelianism."

- James Murdoch, the younger son of media mogul Rupert Murdoch, chairman of News Corp., delivered a speech in February 2001 in Los Angeles. He said as a "dangerous" and "apocalyptic cult", the spiritual group "clearly does not have the success of China at heart."

- Mike, an Australian, wrote in his personal Blog on April 10, 2008: "Falun Gong is a US-financed cult led by a lunatic who is driven to oppose the Chinese government because it quite correctly banned his vehicle for domination of the gullible."

- Ph.D. Cynematic is a teacher of the University of California, Berkeley . He held the same opinion as his parents that the "Chinese Spectacular" held by Falun Gong was "a Cult-Sponsored Chinese Extravaganza." His mother said: "It's like christian science, only worse."

- Martin Rundkvist, a Swedish, called on people to "think of it (Falun Gong) as the Chinese Scientology or Raelianism" in his Blog on March 7, 2008.

- Paul Stott, a British netizen, wrote in his Blog: "Falun Gong is cranky religious rat."

- Shi Lei, a Chinese-American netizen, recorded in his Blog on June 7, 2008 his own experience, claiming, "Falun Gong is not truthful at all. It is a cult."

- Cat Chao, host of a popular Mandarin-language talk show on KAZN-AM (1300), said at the end of 2007 that, "(Falun Gong) It's a voodoo stuff."

- Ccm, a netizen from Christchurch, New Zealand, says in his Blog in March 2008: "Those (Falun Gong members) that were ignorant of who they really were took them."

3. Former backbones of Falun Gong

The Falun Dafa Research Society (FDRS) was the general headquarters of Falun Gong in China. Li Chang, Ji Liewu, Yu Changxin, and Wang Zhiwen were key members. They were sentenced to prison in December 1999 for organizing cult and using it to impede law enforcement, to cause death, and to obtain national secrets illegally.

- **Li Chang:** The fraudulence of Falun Gong lies in that Li Hongzhi's words are different from his deeds. It is very sad for Falun Gong to become political organization.

- **Ji Liewu:** I become more and more shocked by the anti-social, anti-human and anti-scientific behaviors performed by Falun Gong. This makes it clear to people that those sayings – to be good persons, to drive away diseases and to become stronger – were only covers. To abide by laws is only a measure of expediency. And to save others and cultivation are only baits.

- **Yu Changxin:** Li Hongzhi is a hypocrite and swindler. He spreads Falun Gong for political purpose. He wants to dominate the society. Li Hongzhi will come to no good end.

- **Wang Zhiwen:** Li Hongzhi and his Falun Gong instigate followers to oppose the Party and the Government, which have done great harm to the social stability. Falun Gong confuses the right and wrong. He puts his fallacies over all sciences and boasts to be the Almighty Savior.

4. Former Falun Gong practitioners

The Chinese government, in the spirit of humanitarianism, implements the policy of unity, education, and redemption toward most Falun Gong practitioners after Falun Gong was banned, which enables most Falun Gong followers to extricate from spiritual shackles of the cult and live a normal life.

Falun Gong practitioners in China

- **Wang Jindong, a Falun Gong practitioner participating in the self-burning incident on Tian'anmen Square:** The Consummation advocated by Li Hongzhi is only a

big lie!...I'll shout aloud: "Li Hongzhi, you are a downright swindler. Stop your dirty tricks. Don't do harm any more."

- **Liu Yunfang, a Falun Gong practitioner participating in the self-burning incident on Tian'anmen Square:** Falun Gong is a synonym for ignorance.

- **Chen Guo, a Falun Gong practitioner participating in the self-burning incident on Tian'anmen Square:** I think Falun Gong has developed into a cult with anti-human and anti-society characteristics. I hope those who still believe in this cult can be awakened and throw it away. I don't want to see another victim like me.

- **Zhu Xiuzhi, assistant principal of a primary school in Jiutai City of Jilin Province:** It is Li Hongzhi who deceives the public, not others. Falun Gong is a through-and-through cult.

- **Chen Bin, the instructor of Falun Gong Assistant Station at Xi'an Jiaotong University:** Li Hongzhi is an ordinary man, a bad man, not an immortal. Li Hongzhi leads people astray. Li is a genuine swindler morally, economically and politically.

Falun Gong practitioners abroad

- **Tony Smith, a citizen from Georgia, USA:** In light of some statements reported in a 28 February 2003 revised draft translation on a clearwisdom.net web page to have been said by Li Hongzhi...contradict earlier statements of Li Hongzhi himself. I do not, as of today 8 March 2003, any longer recognize Li Hongzhi as an authentic Teacher/Master...I do not think that Li Hongzhi can "turn...[his followers]...into Gods.

- **Sour Mango Powder, a citizen from UK said in his personal Blog in January 2008:** I do not feel it is a beneficial organization and I would not recommend it...the organization and its leader seem a little insane...

5. Chinese experts

When Falun Gong just appeared and started to spread in China, people of religious circles and **cultic study** experts instinctively sensed the problem of Falun Gong which

posed a threat to people and the society. They were the first to express their opinions and put forward suggestions to departments concerned, asking the government to watch Falun Gong closely.

- **He Zuoxiu, an academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS):** First, Falun Gong propagates feudalism and superstitions, claiming “the master soul does not become extinct.” Second, the so-called “cultivation” makes people easily spellbound by Falun Gong.

- **Duan Qiming, director of China Association for Cultic Studies:** Li Hongzhi says practicing Falun Gong could open the celestial eyes. Those whose celestial eyes at a high level could see through our space and look at other dimensions which ordinary people could not see. If your celestial eyes are at a low level, you can only see through walls and people’s body like X-Ray. Many practitioners firmly believe in such nonsense and hope that such miracles would come true through cultivation; however, the outcome is that they suffer from mental disorders or even turn into lunatics. Information from the Sixth Hospital of Beijing Medical University (Institute of Psychosis) indicates that, one-fifth of the lunatics who were ill of practicing Gong in 1998 resulted from the deviation of their cultivation; Such cases could also be seen in the survey conducted by Falun Gong General Assistant Station in Beijing.

- **Guo Zhengyi, a researcher of China Research Institute for Science Popularization:** Falun Gong practitioners’ way of thinking and behavior is quite different from that of ordinary people. This is all because of Li Hongzhi...Li Hongzhi demands his followers to read his *Zhuan Falun* again and again, saying that every word in it would be an incarnation of Li Hongzhi and come out of the book; and that their master soul would free itself from the body if they kept reading for a long period of time... The outcome is that the practitioners contract mental diseases because of pursuing such exceptional result.

- **Shi-min Fang, Ph.D. in biochemistry:** Falun Gong is a pseudo-Qigong which is against traditional Qigong and in pursuit of making people spellbound.

- **Zhu Shijun, president of the General Hospital of the People's Liberation Army:**

Falun Gong asks its followers to practice solely the so-called Gong pieced together by Li Hongzhi. Spiritual shackles would be put on those who were obsessed by it; and step by step, they would be led into the cultic trap, without the ability to get out. "Sitting and cultivating" for a long time without limitation, as advocated by Falun Gong, would excessively stimulate the autonomic nerves, and put the body in a state of being over-exhausted. When it comes into an extreme, the synthesis and release of the neurotransmitter would be out of order, and that is called psychopathy, or, being spellbound. Some would hurt themselves or others in such a state.

- **Jiang Yongping, an associate researcher of the Woman Studies Institute of All-China Women's Federation:** Li Hongzhi controls the female mentally by making use of their weaknesses and drives them on the way to self-destruction. Falun Gong is a slaughterer harming the female cruelly.

- **Chen Xingqiao, director of the Voice of Dharma magazine run by the Buddhist Association of China:** Falun Gong is a typical "heretic doctrine adhering to Buddhism" with characteristics of folk religions.

- **Prof. Feng Lida, former chairperson of World Association of Medical Qigong, vice director of China Association of Traditional Chinese Medicine, and deputy president of General Hospital of the Navy of the PLA:** Falun Gong is a kind of pseudo-science. It is harmful to all.

6. International experts, scholars and anti-cult figures

Falun Gong also draws the attention of experts in the fields of international religions, cultic studies, psychology, and medical science. Some institutes and colleges take up Falun Gong as a research topic.

- **Ph.D. Margaret Thaler Singer, former president of the American Psychosomatic Society and professor on psychology from University of California, Berkeley:** I think Falun Gong surely meet the criteria of being a cult by American or world standards. The leader has people instead of, you know, worshiping God or abstract

principles, they worship him. I just have not seen that Falun Gong is a religious freedom issue. It makes Falun Gong visible as these years, one more of them, thousands of cults.

● **James Randi, presider of James Randi Educational Foundation in Florida, USA:** While this poses as a religious organization in very much the way that the Church of Scientology has chosen to do, it is a group based entirely on supernatural and pseudoscientific claims...This man (Li Hongzhi) is simply another scam artist, not worthy of the respect given him by his followers...After Falun Gong was banned in China because of its false, damaging, and dangerous teachings, Li Hongzhi and his followers here in the USA began organizing different activities to fight those they perceived as enemies, threatening or suing those who did not believe in them or who exposed their tricks. They took advantage of the false perception they had created that Falun Gong is a legitimate religion, and sought to obtain advantages granted religious organizations in this country.

● **Rick Ross, an American expert studying Falun Gong issues:** Li Hongzhi, the founder and leader of Falun Gong also known as Falun Dafa, has been repeatedly described as "homophobic" and as a "racist"...Isn't it odd how the same man that claims he and his followers have experienced "persecution" in China and who protests human rights violations speaks with such hatred and intolerance about the human rights of others?

● **Samuel Luo, an expert studying Falun Gong issues from San Francisco, US:** Li Hongzhi is like a dictator in that group. On February 15, 2003, Mr. Li said to his followers: "Remember these words from the master. However I handle something is righteous, and those who doubt this are always wrong. The reason is that is the choice of the cosmos, the choice of the future." He is worshiped by his followers as the God. People think that Falun Gong is small, but the Falun Gong is not small. It's powerful, because they have a lot of money, it seems. And they have lawyers that are working for free for them. And they have been using that advantage to suppress their critics' free speech.

● **Pasty Rahn, a scholar from University of California, Los Angeles:** Falun Gong

did destroy families, some practitioners refused to seek medical care after falling ill and died because of that.

- **Yan Sun, a political science professor at Queens College:** The great majority of Chinese here or in China find Falun Gong to be strange and do not identify or support them.

- **Professor Bergin, head of the Russian National Research Institute of Religious Relation and Law:** Falun Gong's attitude toward the Chinese government and other religious groups, its imputation and impact on traditional religious values, as well as what Falun Gong has done against himself, make me firmly believe that Falun Gong is an extreme cult organization.

- **Professor Alexander Dvorkin, president of the Russian Association of Religious and Cultic Studies Centers:** Falun Gong now is a worldwide cult group under the leadership of Li Hongzhi, headquartered in New York. It is not important where the Falun Gong practitioners live, for instance in China, France, the United States or other countries. As far as the Falun Gong practitioners are concerned, they do not belong to any country, they all belong to Falun Gong group. First of all, they have attached themselves psychologically to Falun Gong group, they regard Li Hongzhi as their president or emperor and act entirely in accordance with Li's will. For them, all Li Hongzhi's instructions are compulsive and obligatory, which must be executed in time, and without any hesitation.

- **Ming Xia, a political-science professor at the City University of New York on Staten Island:** They (Falun Gong) know how to play politics with American elected officials. Falun Gong "Janus-faced," saying it presents itself in China as a moral-revival movement, but in the West as a movement for freedom of religion and thought...Epoch Times indicates a part of the Falun Gong strategy to embed itself into the large civil society for influence and legitimacy.

- **David Ewing, China commentator:** Falun Gong seems to be emerging as the largest anti-communism group in the world now.

- **David Ownby, a Chinese-history professor at the University of Montreal:** Li

Hongzhi shares no common background with our Enlightenment heritage and its emphasis on the individual, on acceptance of difference.

- **Daniel Marchiaz, director of US multi-media company Rocky Canyon, former member of a cult, priest:** Falun Gong might go even farther than US cult organizations. That Chinese government banned Falun Gong does not mean there's no religious freedom in this country.

- **Paul Crouch, president of US Christian Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN):** I approved the opinion of categorizing Falun Gong as a cult. It seemed that what Li Hongzhi advocates have nothing in common with the teachings of the Bible in respecting the government and in observing the laws.

- **Professor Hobson, who engaged in physics teaching and research in University of Arkansas, USA:** Falun Gong is a cult of pseudoscience and superstition, posing potential threats to society.

- **Huang Keqiang, chairman of Lin Zexu Foundation of USA:** Falun Gong is as vicious as the drugs.

- **Crescent Chau, president of Chinese Press Eastern Inc.:** (1) Falun Gong claims to be a practice group without any organizations; but in fact it has established a huge propaganda system including newspapers, TV stations, and websites. It also holds demonstrations and activities constantly. The saying that it has no organized systems doesn't hold water. (2) If Li Hongzhi's words "Falun Gong does not accept donations" were true, then where does the huge fund come from? Why do they spend such amount of money? (3) Falun Gong set against the Party and the Chinese Government under the camouflage of religion and cultivation; it is getting clearer and clearer that Falun Gong is a downright political organization with strong black backings.

7. Foreign media

- **BBC**

Falun Gong is the No.1 cult in China. Falun Gong will lead to collective suicide. (By

James Meyers, a journalist for BBC, November, 1998)

Falun Gong combines slow meditative exercises with Mr. Li's homespun philosophy and teachings loosely drawn from Buddhism and Taoism. (*Who is Li Hongzhi*, May 8, 2001)

- **Washington Post**

Li Hongzhi played a key role in fomenting the confrontation and in exploiting differences within the Chinese government. Li Hongzhi, a former state grain clerk who leads Falun Gong from a secret location in the New York City borough of Queens, sought to take on Chinese police and continues to urge his followers to confront the security services.

According to Falun Gong practitioners, Li's pronouncements have encouraged a belief that the suffering incurred in opposing China's authoritarian government can elevate followers to a higher level of spiritual existence, which Li describes as "Consummation."

In the preceding year, Li's followers had conducted some major protests in the major cities and provinces, putting Falun Gong on a collision course with the party leadership. And days before the April 25 incident, Li came to China, apparently to direct the unprecedented sit-in, which has been cited by Jiang as the reason for beginning his campaign against the group. (*A Foe Rattles Beijing from Abroad*, March 10, 2001)

- **Associated Press**

The Epoch Times is not a typical media outlet. It was launched in 2000 by Falun Gong members, and has since rapidly expanded its Web and print presence. As it has grown, The Epoch Times has tried to carve a place for itself in the mainstream media while distinguishing itself from Falun Gong...Some observers say The Epoch Times appears to be a major element of a global public relations campaign by Falun Gong to gain sympathy and new followers. (*Epoch Times: Falun Gong Paper, or Not?* February 5, 2007)

Falun Gong has gained a following outside China, but remains controversial among

many Chinese-Americans who view the group as a cult and question its political agenda...Observers say Falun Gong has become increasingly sophisticated in spreading its message through the widely circulated Epoch Times newspaper and New Tang Dynasty Television. Both were founded by Falun Gong supporters and feature anti-communist news and commentary. (*Falun Gong Show Called Propaganda*, January 20, 2007)

- **New York Times**

Anguish over the recent earthquake in China helped set off a small ideological disturbance in Chinatown on Sunday when a Falun Gong parade was jeered by supporters of the Chinese government who hurled water bottles and pieces of pastry at the marchers, as well as insults.

At some point, Chinatown residents said, rumors spread that Falun Gong was discouraging donations and telling people that the Chinese government would steal the money...Things were calm along much of the parade route, but as the marchers moved down East Broadway and beneath the Manhattan Bridge overpass – some of them holding aloft banners and placards that read "Only Without the Communist Party There Will Be a New China" – the atmosphere became charged. People on the sidelines hooted and booed. Spectators gave the thumbs-down sign while chanting a derisive oath in Chinese. Plastic water bottles flew through the air, aimed at the marchers. (*Falun Gong Marchers are Jeered in Chinatown*, May 26, 2008)

- **Los Angeles Times**

They (Falun Gong) have failed to generate lasting sympathy from the Chinese American community at large, where some label the Falun Gong as a fringe group. (*Activists Fail to Stir Opposition to China's Float*, December 30, 2007)

Falun Gong members have raised hackles in the mainstream Chinese-American community – in part because some consider Falun Gong a fringe group or cult religion and in part because of the group's in-your-face approach to spreading its message. Those who practice Falun Gong frequently congregate in public places, display banners or take

to the streets to distribute printed materials that detail ways in which Falun Gong practitioners...sometimes including graphic images of physical abuse.

Others say that though Falun Gong practitioners call themselves a religious group, their main message has been political – and some believe that politics, not culture, dominates in the Chinese New Year Spectacular. (*Ties to Falun Gong Add Controversy to the Chinese New Year Spectacular*, January 7, 2008)

- **Whittier Daily News**

In the San Gabriel Valley, Falun Gong activists have appeared at meetings since at least 2001 trying to gain support for resolutions against China, according to city documents of Covina.

Falun Gong has dedicated volunteers and activists in major cities across the world, and has not been shy about using litigation as a tool to protect its interests.

Alhambra officials also struggled with what to do about a Falun Gong request to march in a Chinese New Year's parade in 2005. Chamber of Commerce officials denied the request, said Talbot, because of the political nature of the group. The same rationale applied to denials of the group's annual request to march in parades in Los Angeles and San Francisco. (*Falun Gong Activists Make Appeals*, December 29, 2007)

- **The Ottawa Citizen**

The Matas-Kilgour report gave credence to allegations advanced by Falun Gong.

Questions about the Matas-Kilgour report went beyond the allegations about Sujiatun. A paper prepared by the US Congressional Research Service concluded that the report for the most part "does not bring forth new or independently-obtained testimony and relies largely upon the making of logical inferences." Researchers working for the US Congress concluded that some of the key allegations in the report appear to be inconsistent with the findings of other investigations. It also questioned the transcripts of telephone calls, in which Chinese officials are said to admit using Falun Gong organs. "Some argue that such apparent candour would seem unlikely given Chinese government controls over

sensitive information, which may raise questions about the credibility of the telephone recordings," the research service paper said.

The Sujiatun story lost more air when Harry Wu, a former political prisoner of the Chinese government and outspoken voice against the Communist government, said he doubted the witness accounts upon which the Sujiatun stories relied. His organization investigated and found the witness statements unreliable. He concluded the story may be intentionally fabricated. "We haven't found any evidence to support the location and the number and events they have described going on," said Lisa Pertoso, a spokeswoman for Mr. Wu's organization. (*Former MP Pushes for Beijing Games Boycott*, August 9, 2007)

There wasn't a whole lot of sympathy for the Falun Gong in some quarters, it's because many people likely shared the view that it's a weird cult. (*Cult Followings*, May 17, 2008)

- **Radio-Canada, the national French Radio and TV station in Canada**

According to our investigation, Falun Gong is actually a well organized group with strong financial support.

Just the same with their newspapers, radio, and TV station, Falun Gong practitioners carefully cover the real intention, which is to publicize their progress and to overthrow the ruling Communist Party of China.

Loic Tasse, expert in Chinese issues, University of Montreal during the interview said, "Falun Gong has always denied that it has political background; but since they have been suppressed by the government and they have fought against the suppression, so I think they've engaged in a political movement. There's no doubt about that." (*Uneasiness in Chinatown*, October 30, 2008)

- **The Age, Australia**

According to Lord Mayor John So, "EVERYONE is welcome in Melbourne. Except Falun Gong." Last night, he used his numbers on the Melbourne City Council to quash a proposed Town Hall reception for Falun Gong.

Cr Carl Jetter, questioned before last night's meeting, said the Falun Gong were fanatics. "I don't support any fanatical religious or political groups."

In 2003, council banned Falun Gong members from taking part in the Moomba parade because they were too political. (*Falun Gong is So out at City Hall*, October 31, 2007)

- **Scoop Politics, New Zealand**

Recently, New Zealand's Auckland Santa Parade Trust official claimed, Falun Gong did not meet the participation criteria because it refused to assure parade organizers that it would not ambush the fun family Christmas occasion to promote its own political agenda. Falun Gong group would not be allowed to participate in the event held in this city on November 25. Michael Barnett, chairman of the Christmas Parade Organizing Committee of Auckland, made a statement: "The group is now using publicity to try and manipulate the rules." "The trust is now convinced that today's press conference is yet another attempt by the sect to ambush a proud 74 year old Christmas tradition to promote its own political agenda." (*Statement on Falun Gong Exclusion*, November 22, 2007)