

Third Party Reports on Falun Gong

Since 2000 governments and human rights groups and media have reported on the massive crimes against humanity and hatred being used to eliminate Falun Gong and have called for the stop to the persecution of Falun Gong by the communist regime. The below are just a few:

United Nations Reports on China's persecution of Falun Gong 2004

“The Special Rapporteur continues to be alarmed by deaths in custody in China. Reports describe harrowing scenes in which detainees, many of whom are followers of the Falun Gong movement, die as a result of severe ill treatment, neglect or medical attention. The cruelty and brutality of these alleged acts of torture defy description.”

<http://www.falunhr.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=1027&Itemid>

Amnesty International

“The government banned Falun Gong on 22 July 1999 and launched a massive propaganda campaign to denounce its practice... the impartiality of the government's information is questionable. Furthermore, the information published by the government leaves many essential questions unanswered.”

<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/ENGASA170112000>

Amnesty International is deeply concerned by reports that detained followers of the Falun Gong have been tortured or ill-treated in various places of detention in China... The government, apparently concerned by the large number of followers in all sectors of society - including government departments, declared it was a "cult" and a "threat to stability" and launched a nationwide propaganda campaign against it. The campaign was described as an important "political struggle".

<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/ENGASA170541999>

More from Amnesty:

<http://www.amnesty.org/results/is/eng?queryType=0&searchIn=0&query=Falun+Gong&start=1&num=10&max=25&sortBy=>

Reporters without Borders

Since the eradication campaign against Falun Gong was launched by the authorities, foreign journalists have systematically been hindered in their work on this topic... Some of them have been beaten by the police... These violations of press freedom are unacceptable. China's determination to prevent the foreign press from covering the activities and government repression of the Falun Gong clearly illustrates its rejection of independent news gathering.

http://www.fofg.org/news/news_story.php?doc_id=206

Wall Street Journal

-Ian Johnston, 2001 Pulitzer Prize winner for his underground investigation into the deadly state sanctioned persecution of Falun Gong.

“The effects on society of such [state sanctioned] systematic brutality is hard to gauge. None of the deaths have been reported in the Chinese media. Only those directly touched by the crackdown know of its scope and ferocity.”

<http://www.pulitzer.org/year/2001/international-reporting/works/index3.html>

The Washington Post

"Each aspect of the campaign is critical," he said. "Pure violence doesn't work. Just studying doesn't work either. And none of it would be working if the propaganda hadn't started to change the way the general public thinks. You need all three. That's what they've figured out."

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/ac2/wp-dyn?pagename=article&node=&contentId=A33055-2001Aug4>

The National Post

Falun Gong persecution spreads to Canada Ottawa does little to counter campaign by Chinese envoys by John Turley-Ewart 20 March 2004

<http://www.specialtribunal.org/articles/0024/>

Human Rights Watch

“Falun Gong members are peaceful, law-abiding citizens, and there is no excuse for the human rights violations they have endured. The charge that Falun Gong threatens the stability of China does not hold up. Its claim that belief in Falun Gong is a public health menace is equally bogus. The danger to health comes from the treatment its practitioners receive at the hands of the police and prison officials.”

<http://hrw.org/english/docs/2002/02/07/china3725.htm>