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Australia: Falun Dafa Practitioner Wins Lawsuit against Chinese Minister of Commerce

(Clearwisdom.net) At a press conference in front of the New South Wales Supreme Court in Sydney on November 7, 2007, Falun Gong practitioners announced that the Supreme Court of NSW had issued a default judgment on November 5, recognizing that the defendant, Chinese Minister of Commerce Bo Xilai, had failed to provide a defense for the case brought against him by Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Pan Yu. The judgment was in favor of Pan Yu. Pan's legal assistant, Newton Xu, said that the court ruled that Pan had won the case, and that he may ask for compensation for injuries caused by the defendant.

Pan was pleased with the outcome. He believed that this showed that Beijing's persecution of Falun Gong is against the people's will. Pan was detained at the Longshan Forced Labor Camp in Liaoning Province in 2000 because he practices Falun Gong. At the time, Bo Xilai was the governor of Liaoning Province and directed the persecution of Falun Gong, making Liaoning one of the provinces where the persecution of Falun Gong was the most severe. During his detention, Pan suffered brutal physical torment. On one occasion, the policemen fully charged electric batons to 40,000 volts and shocked him for 10 minutes. He nearly lost his life. When Bo Xilai came to Australia for the Asia-Pacific Summit on September 4, 2007, he was served a summons in person at his hotel in Canberra. When the court opened for a hearing on October 8, Bo did not appear in court, nor send a lawyer on his behalf. The court then ruled against Bo in the second hearing held on November 5.

Bo Xilai is the highest ranking official in Beijing to be found guilty in an overseas lawsuit. Xu believes this case serves as a potent warning to other CCP officials. Xu thinks Bo's absence in court shows that he is very clear about his active role in the persecution and that he is guilty in the case. If he were to respond, he would have to submit to the court's cross-examination, and accept the verdict.

NSW Falun Dafa Association President Ms. Zhao said that this case will play a positive role in pushing forward other lawsuits filed by other Falun Gong practitioners. She hoped it will also serve as a timely warning to police officers and government officials who are persecuting Falun Gong in China.

Spokesperson for the NSW Falun Dafa Association John Deller said that the case helps more people learn about Falun Gong and also exposes the Chinese Communist Party's persecution of Falun Gong in China.

Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the most brutal and vicious persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



About Clearwisdom

Clearwisdom.net is the most authoritative source of information about the practice of Falun Gong and about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, reporting timely news and events happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.



Bo Xilai, Chinese Minister of Commerce, is sued in Australia for persecuting

Exposing the Criminal Deeds of the Police in Shandong Province

(Clearwisdom.net) Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Sang Chunlian from Shandong Province was arrested by the local police on September 24, 2007. That night she was locked up in the Shouguang City Police Department, where two policemen tortured her. One of the policemen was in his 40's. This policeman forced Ms. Sang to sit on the ground, grabbed her hands and forced them behind her back. He then hooked his hand underneath Ms. Sang's chin and pulled it upward hard. He pinched her ears and twisted them hard, slapped her with both hands heavily, and stomped on her legs and feet with his heavy leather boots.



Ms. Sang Chunlian's injuries from burning by policemen

The other policeman was in plainclothes and was in his 30's. He cursed Ms. Sang and Falun Gong viciously. He burned her arms and hands with a cigarette lighter with the maximum

flame and caused many blisters. After one lighter was used up he changed to another one. He deliberately chose her fingers and elbows where it would hurt the most. He burned her until the flesh and blood were so injured and mixed that they were hard to tell apart. At the same time he said, "Tonight I must skin you!" Then he tore off Ms. Sang's shirt and pants, shouting, "Everybody out of this room. I am going to burn her genital area."

Truthfulness, Compassion Tolerance International Art Exhibition Touches the Belgian People

(Clearwisdom.net) The "Truthfulness, Compassion, Tolerance" International Art Exhibition arrived in Belgium on October 27, 2007.

This is the third time the exhibition has been held in Belgium. On the afternoon of October 27th a cocktail party was held in the host museum to welcome guests. The organizer of the art exhibition, Nina Rogers, gave a brief introduction. She said that these paintings expressed the beauty of human nature and life. They also showed the Chinese Communist regime's brutal persecution of Falun Gong practitioners, as well as the universal principle that good is rewarded with good and bad deeds receive retribution.



Guests appreciate the paintings and listen to guides tell the real stories behind the artworks.

Museum Director Mr. Marcos Talwin is a painter. He was impressed with the quality of the paintings and the brutality of the persecution expressed in the paintings. He said, "These paintings are of the highest quality and quite exceptional. It is very difficult to imagine nowadays that such persecution is still going on. This is like a repeat of the actions of the German Gestapo during World War II."

Ms. Christie Ross said, "I am most moved by the battle between good and evil, especially the painting, 'A Tragedy in China.' On the one hand you want to be a good person; on the other hand you are persecuted for that. This is not right."

Mr. Ealing from Antwerp is a frequent visitor to different art exhibitions. He was impressed with the painting, "Buddha." "I am most deeply moved by the painting, 'Buddha.' I always hope to see beautiful things in paintings. That painting expresses compassion."

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