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## **Investigative Report on Masanjia Labor Camp**

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#### **Foreword**

Masanjia Labor Camp is located in Masanjia Township, Yuhong District, Shenyang City, Liaoning Province. It was established on March 9, 1956 [1]. On October 29, 1999, in order to implement Jiang Zemin's campaign against Falun Gong, Masanjia Labor Camp's 2nd Female Division was set up specifically to detain Falun Gong practitioners. Su Jing was named head of the 2nd Female Division [2].

In October 2006, the 2nd Female Division was merged with the 1st Female Division to become Masanjia Female Labor Camp. On Feb. 6, 2001, Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Liaoning provincial Committee and the provincial government established the "Liaoning Province Ideological Education School" [3] inside Masanjia Labor Camp to specialize in "transforming" Falun Gong practitioners [4]. Su Jing was named the headmaster of the "School" [5], which became notorious for its inhumane treatments to Falun Gong practitioners.

As early as 1999, Falun Gong practitioners had exposed the gruesome tortures they suffered in Masanjia Labor Camp. Over the last decade, reports about tortures in Masanjia Labor Camp have been continuously occurring. In order to fend off criticism and mislead the public opinions, on May 22, 2001 Masanjia Labor Camp invited Singapore Zaobao Daily, Associated Press and NBC of the United States, ABC Radio Australia and Japan's NHK Television for a public tour. Zhang Chaoying, then director of Masanjia Labor Camp, falsely claimed in front of the foreign media that there were no male detainees in Masanjia Labor Camp [6]. Thereafter, organizing media tours has become an annual event, which happens every May.

On April 7, 2013, LENS magazine published a report titled "Out of Masanjia." The report exposed the inhumane torture methods female detainees in Masanjia Labor Camp have been subject to. It proves that Falun Gong practitioners' claims are all true. Two days after the report was published, Liaoning provincial Party Committee and government announced the formation of an "investigation team," which consisted of officials from the provincial Bureau of Justice, provincial Bureau of Reeducation through Labor, local prosecutors. The media, representatives of the local People's Congress and members of the local Committee of the People's Political Consultative Conference were invited [7]. According to an unconfirmed internal document leaked on the Internet, the head of the investigation team is director of the provincial Justice Bureau, Zhang Fan. The deputy heads are Cui Kebing (Counsel of the provincial Justice Bureau] and Zhang Chaoying (Bureau chief of Reeducation through Labor) [8]. Although the article was unconfirmed, the names and their titles match the official announcement.

Zhang Fan is former deputy head of the Bureau of Justice and director of the Bureau of Prison. Zhang is responsible for the persecution of Falun Gong [9]. Cui Kebing is deputy head of the Bureau of Justice. Zhang Chaoying was director and Party chief of Masanjia Labor Camp when the 2nd Female Division was setup. Since then, Masanjia Labor Camp had detained exponential amount of Falun Gong practitioners. In 2004, Zhang Chaoying became the director of the Bureau of Reeducation through Labor of Liaoning province [10].

This report is limited to providing evidences from Chinese Communist Party's official documentation. Masanjia Labor Camp is directly controlled by Jiang Zemin and the CCP Central as an important location to carry out the persecution of Falun Gong. Its persecution methods have been promoted nationwide. In order to see the true nature of the Masanjia issue, one must face the Falun Gong issue.

#### Masanjia Labor Camp is a Major Site for Jiang Faction to Carry out the Persecution of Falun Gong

Masanjia Labor Camp is no ordinary labor camp. Although officially at the provincial level, Masajia has been directly controlled by the Chinese Communist Party Central since its 2nd Female Division was setup. Li Langing [team head of the "CCP Central Leadership Team to Handle Falun Gong Issue"), Luo Gan (head of Political & Legal Affairs Committee

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(PLAC), vice team head of the "CCP Central Leadership Team to Handle Falun Gong Issue"], Wang Maolin (director of CCP Central "610 Office"), Liu Jing (director of CCP Central "610 Office"), CCP Central Organization Department and the Ministry of Justice all directly commanded, supported and promoted the persecution in Masanjia Labor Camp.

The persecution of Falun Gong is the persecution against people's belief. Therefore, brainwashing and transformation are at the core of the persecution. In order to force Falun Gong practitioners to give up their belief, so as to reach the "transformation rate," all sorts of torture methods have been designed, implemented and promoted.

On August 29, 2000, the Ministry of Justice "Education and Transformation Experience & Award Meeting" was held. Li Lanqing sent letter [11] to the meeting, while Luo Gan [12] and Wang Maolin gave speeches recommending Masanjia Labor Camp's experience to be copied nationwide. The "five transformation criteria" developed by Masanjia Labor Camp became the nationwide standard to transform Falun Gong practitioners [13].

On September 22, 2000, the CCP Central "610 Office" issued a document about "transforming and attacking firm believers." The document reiterated that the "transformation standard" originated from Masanjia Labor Camp [14].

According to a secret document issued by the Central "610 Office" and the Ministry of Justice, by November 2000 there had been 31 groups of total 500 people from 25 provinces traveled to Masanjia Labor Camp for study tours [15]. Han Guangsheng, former head of Shenyang City Justice Bureau, also confirmed that tours to Masanjia Labor Camp were routinely organized for local officials to study how to use torture methods [16].

The "Year 2000 Summary Report of Judicial Administration System" said that the judicial administration system was a vital part in CCP's "struggle against Falun Gong" and that a number of "highly accomplished" organizations and individuals have appeared, with Masanjia Labor Camp and its head Su Jing being the most noteworthy of all. "The Ministry of Justice Party Group gathered the Masanjia Labor Camp experience in a timely manner and propagated it throughout the country [17]."

On Feb. 26, 2001, the Organization Department, Department of Propaganda, PLAC of the CCP Central Committee, Ministry of Public Security, Ministry of Civil Affairs, Ministry of Personnel, and CCP Central "610 Office" jointly organized a "Struggling against Falun Gong Experience Report Meeting" at Beijing People's Hall. Su Jing, then head of the 2nd Female Division at Masanjia Labor Camp gave a speech about its "transformation experiences." [18]

On April 25, 2001, the Organization Department of the CCP Central Committee issued a notice requesting all Party committees nationwide to learn from the experience of struggling against Falun Gong from the Party committees at Masanjia Labor Camp, Beijing Reeducation through Labor Bureau and Qitaihe City, Heilongjiang Province [19].

#### The Crimes of Masanjia Labor Camp Have Been Commended by Central and Local Party Authorities

Masanjia Labor Camp has been granted the title of "National Advanced Unit against Falun Gong" by seven central state departments, ministries and offices, including the Organization Department of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee. It has been given the first-class merit by the Ministry of Justice [20].

Masanjia Labor Camp's Second Female Division (i.e. Liaoning Province Ideological Education School) has been granted the titles of "Shenyang City Female Civilization Model Post", "National Advanced Unit against Falun Gong", "Provincial Advanced Unit against Falun Gong", provincial "Red Flag Excellent Female Unit" and "Advanced Education and Transformation Work Unit in the National Judicial Administration System". It has also been given the collective second-class merit by the Provincial Justice Bureau.

Head of Masanjia Labor Camp's 2nd Female Division, Su Jing, has also been recognized with the following titles: "Department of Justice Outstanding Education Expert" (second-class model hero), provincial "Red Flag Excellent Female Worker" [21], provincial political & legal system "People Satisfied Police Officer", as well as Liaoning Province's "Excellent Government Employee" of 2003 [22].

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On December 19, 2011, the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security and the Ministry of Justice commended model workers and model units within the national judicial administration system. Director of Masanjia Labor Camp, Ren Wenfu was awarded "advanced worker" within the national judicial administration system [23].

During the 7th Police Ranking Promotion Training Session of 2011 organized by Liaoning provincial judicial administration system, Masanjia Labor Camp was named "Advanced Work Unit"; Jin Shan and Wang Xue who work at Masaniia Labor Camp were named "Outstanding Trainees" [24]. They both have tortured Falun Gong practitioners [25].

During the 2nd Police Ranking Promotion Training Session of 2012 organized by Liaoning provincial judicial administration system, Masanjia Labor Camp was named "Advanced Work Unit", and Gao Hongchang was named "Outstanding Trainee" [26]. Gao Hongchang was the head of Masanjia Labor Camp's 1st Division 3rd Brigade. He later became the head of the 1st Division. The 3rd Brigade is dedicated to the persecution of male Falun Gong practitioners. Gao has directly commanded the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners and directly involved in the tortures of Falun Gong practitioners [27].

#### Conclusion

Masanjia Labor Camp and Liaoning Province Ideological Education School are no ordinary labor camps. Masanjia Labor Camp is a typical institution used in the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners, under the direct control of Jiang Zemin faction. Under the direct command and intervention of the Central Organization Department, the Central "Leadership Team to Handle the Falun Gong Issue," the Central Political & Legislative Affairs Committee, the Central "610 Office" and the Ministry of Justice, Masanjia Labor Camp designed and implemented various brainwashing and torturing techniques against the Falun Gong practitioners. Through the aforementioned central state ministries, these techniques have been propagated to the entire nation. The techniques used on Falun Gong practitioners later extended to petitioners.

Over the years, the World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong has been tracking the crimes of Masanjia Labor Camp. We have conducted investigations on individuals involved and their crimes. We have published a series of investigative reports. All evidences have been documented.

Note: Zhou Kaidong, Beijing Reeducation through Labor Bureau Chief and Party Secretary, has initiated the brainwashing of Falun Gong practitioners within the Beijing reeducation through labor system. In January 2003, Zhou was sentenced to 10 years in prison for bribery [28].

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