

PETITION

For Stopping the Persecution of FALUN DAFA in China

To the Honourable The Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Assembled in Parliament:

The petition of certain citizens and residents of Australia draws to the attention of the House the persecution of Falun Dafa in China.

Falun Dafa is a peaceful spiritual practice with over 100 million adherents in over 52 countries. In July 1999 the Chinese Central Government launched a propaganda campaign against Falun Dafa and declared the movement to be illegal. Tens of thousands of practitioners have been imprisoned without trial, while 354 have been tortured to death. This crackdown is clearly a breach of fundamental human rights.

Your petitioners therefore pray that the House urge China's leadership to **immediately**:

- 1) Lift the ban on Falun Dafa and restore its legal status.
- 2) Withdraw the warrant of arrest for Mr. Li Hongzhi, founder of Falun Dafa.
- 3) Cease the torture of all detained Falun Dafa practitioners and release them forthwith.
- 4) Guarantee the full civil rights of released practitioners and their relatives.
- 5) Rectify all false propaganda used to defame Falun Dafa.

We further request that the Australian Government issue a clear statement supporting the right of Falun Dafa practitioners to freely exercise their beliefs, and condemning the aforementioned abuses of human rights.