



China

18 Jehovah's Witnesses indicted in relation to
"using an evil religion organization"

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Open Invitation to the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses to Denounce the Actions of the Chinese Government and Prosecutors

We, Anonymous, demand that the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses give the same degree of attention to the plight of the 18 Jehovah's Witnesses, indicted in China in relation to "using an evil religion organization," as you did to the plight of Dennis Christensen, the Watch Tower Society representative in Russia.

On April 15, 2019, a total of 18 Jehovah's Witnesses in China were arrested and charged with indictable offences relating to, "using an evil religion organization" to "incite the obstruction of law enforcement," and one charge relating to, "obstructing law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization." Since the arrests, the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses have remained silent on the plight of these 18 Jehovah's Witnesses in China.

Since April 15, 2019, the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses have published 11 individual articles on the JW.ORG website critical of the Russian government and prosecutors, and supportive of Dennis Christensen and other Jehovah's Witnesses in Russia being prosecuted.

The Background

April 15, 2019 (Urumqi, Xinjiang). Authorities in China's north-western Xinjiang region indicted 18 individuals on account of being Jehovah's Witnesses, according to a formal prosecutor's indictment paper.

Those indicted are Liu Weiguo, Lin Zaiwu, Li Yifang, Lin Jie, Jiang Xijun, Gao Xinlian, Wang Xiaoqing, Yu Bingru, Zhang Min, Jiang Jinling, Chen Meiling, Fan Tao, Wei Pengfei, Cao Lili, Ma Xiaojun, Yang Hua, Shi Xianhe, and Xu Yanli. All except for Jiang Xijun were charged with using an "evil religious organization" to incite the obstruction of law enforcement, and Jiang received a law enforcement charge for allegedly "obstructing law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization."

The indictments evidence that the defendants violated religious management regulations by establishing a congregation in Korla, Xinjiang, and converting 63 people, among other accusations of "spreading superstition and heresy" and preventing people from joining Communist Party organizations.

The charges

All charges are brought under Article 300 of the Chinese Criminal Code:

Article 300

Whoever organizes or uses superstitious sects or secret societies or evil religious organizations, or uses feudal superstition to undermine enforcement of the state's laws or administrative regulations shall be sentenced to fixed-term imprisonment of not less than three years and not more than seven years. If the circumstances are especially serious, the offender shall be sentenced to fixed-term imprisonment of not less than seven years.

Whoever organizes or uses superstitious sects or secret societies or evil religious organizations, or uses feudal superstition to deceive another person and causes death of the person shall be punished according to the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

Whoever organizes or uses superstitious sects or secret societies or evil religious organizations, or uses feudal superstition to rape a woman or defraud property shall be decided a crime and punished respectively according to the provisions of Article 236 and Article 266 of this Law.

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The Indictments

库尔勒市人民检察院
起诉书



库尔勒市检公诉刑诉（2019）326号

1. 被告人刘卫国，化名刘于谦，男，1972年7月25日出生，居民身份证号码110108197207254977，汉族，高中文化程度，北京源佳科技公司职员，户籍所在地及出生地、住址北京市丰台区大成里蔚园20号楼3单元3门102号。因涉嫌组织、利用邪教组织破坏法律实施罪，2018年10月5日被库尔勒市公安局刑事拘留，同年11月10日经本院批准逮捕，当日由库尔勒市公安局执行。

2、被告人林在务，化名林大海、林忠，男，1982年8月24日出生，居民身份证号码350181198208245016，汉族，初中文化程度，无固定职业，户籍所在地、出生地及住址：福建省福清市东瀚镇东瀚村田尾17号。因涉嫌组织、利用邪教组织破坏法律实施罪，2018年10月8日被库尔勒市公安局刑事拘留，同年11月10日经本院批准逮捕，次日由库尔勒市公安局执行。

3、被告人李义芳，化名李智，男，1970年11月21日出生，居民身份证号码370225197011213516，汉族，初中文化程度，个体，户籍所在地、出生地：北京市房山区张坊镇下寺村一区14号内2号，暂住库尔勒市老市政府小区1号楼4单元202室。因涉嫌组织、利用邪教组织破坏法律实施罪，2018年11月10日

Korla People's Court (Copy of the original document)

Indictment

1. Liu Weiguo, the defendant, his alias: Liu Yuqian, Male, DOB: July 25, 1972, ID: 110108197207254977, Han, high school education, an employee of Beijing Yuanjia Technology Company, Hukou: Birthplace: Weiyuan Ste. 20 3 3-102, Dachengli, Address: Fengtai District, Beijing. He was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department October 5, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. He was officially arrested on November 10, 2018, after the approval of our court; arrest was executed by Korla Police Department on the same day.

2. Lin Zaiwu, the defendant, his aliases: Lin Dahai and Lin Zhong, Male, DOB: August 24, 1982, ID: 350181198208245016, Han, junior high school education, irregular employment, Hukou: Birthplace and address: Tianwei No. 17, Donghan village, Donghan town, Fuqing, Fujian province. He was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on October 8, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on November 10, 2018; the arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

3. Li Yifang, the defendant, his alias: Li Zhi, Male, DOB: November 21, 1970, ID: 370225197011213561, Han, junior high school education, small business owner, Hukou: Birthplace: Xiasi Village Zone 1 14-2, Zhangfang Town, Fangshan District, Beijing; his current address: Old Municipal Government Neighborhood No. 1 4-202, Korla. Our court approved of arresting him on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization on November 10, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on November 12, 2018.

4. Lin Hao, the defendant, his alias: Qu Zheng, Male, DOB: 06/24/1979, ID: 371081197906243418, Han, high school education, irregular employment, Birthplace: Wendeng, Shandong province, Hukou: Lidao Village No. 495, Zetou Town, Wendeng District, Weihai, Shandong province, his current address: Victoria court Ste.3 1-2002, Heping Roda, Xinxiang, Henan province. He was put under criminal detention on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization by the Korla Police Department on October 16, 2018. Our court approved of arresting him on November 10, and on the same day, Korla Police Department executed his arrest.

5. Jiang Xijun, the defendant, his alias: Jiang Yan, Male, DOB: 10/01/1979, ID: 210303197910011638, Korean, junior high school education, small business owner, Birthplace: Anshan, Liaoning province, Hukou: 601 Tonghai Road Ste.4 3-402, Mouping District, Yantai, Shandong province, his current address: Fucheng Liuqi No. 16 1-1501, Yanjiao development district, Sanhe, Hebei province. Our court approved of arresting him on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization on November 10, 2018. Korla Police Department arrested him on March 7, 2019.

6. Gao Xinlian, the defendant, her alias: Zhao Ping, Female, DOB: 02/01/1969, ID: 65282619690207002X, Han, high school education, unemployed, Birthplace: Yanqi County, Xinjiang, Hukou and the address: Korla, Xinjiang, living at 27 Jianguo N Road Judong Garden Ste. 1 2-502. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on September 23, 2018 on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department the next day.

7. Wang Xiaoqing, the defendant, his alias: Wulanbate, Male, DOB: 12/30/1961, ID: 150102196112302037, Han, associate degree, an employee of Inner Mongolia University of Agriculture, Hukou, Birthplace: Xincheng District, Hohhot, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, the current address: Hengdamingdu Ste.3 Room 2002, Dongying N Road, Saihan District, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region. He was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on October 8, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on November 10, 2018; arrest was executed by Korla Police Department on the same day.

8. Yu Bingru, the defendant, his alias: Yu Xinxue, Male, DOB: 02/17/1966, ID: 652801196602171617, Han, Bachelor degree, CEO of Xinjiang Baide Education Consulting LTD, Birthplace: Shihezi, Xinjiang, Hukou: 8 Donghu 1 Road Bencheng Tianyue Haoting Ste.2 Room 1402, Zhaoqing, Guangdong province, the current address: State Grid Jiashu Yuan Ste. 1 1-402, Tuishuiqu Road, Wenhua W Road, Korla. He was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on September 22, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department the next day.

9. Zhang Min, the defendant, her alias: Zhang Xiaohe, Female, DOB: 11/06/1972, ID: 51022219721106062X, Han, Bachelor degree, an employee of Beijing Yuanjia Technology Company, Birthplace: Banan District, Chongqing, Hukou and the current address: Weiyuan Ste. 20 3-3-102, Dachengli, Fengtai District, Beijing. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on October 5, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on November 10; arrest was executed by Korla Police Department on the next day.

10. Jiang Jinling, the defendant, her alias: Li Ling, Female, DOB: 04/04/1974, ID: 110111197404044221, Han, junior high school education, farmer, Birthplace: Hukou and the current address: Xiasi Village Zone 1 No. 14-2, ZhangfangTtown, Fangshan District, Beijing. She was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on November 10, 2018 on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on November 10, 2018; arrest was executed by Korla Police Department on November 12.

11. Chen Meiling, the defendant, her alias: Lin Chen, Female, DOB: 01/19/1986, ID: 211402198601195044, Manchu, nurse, associate degree, Birthplace:: Huludao, Liaoning province, Hukou: 495 Lidao Village, Zetou Town, Wendeng District, Weihai, Shandong province, the current address: Victoria Court Ste. 3 1-2002, Heping Road, Xinxiang, Henan province. The current address: Dongyixiang No. 2 24 Lian court Ste 17, Tianmenguan Road, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on October 16, 2018 on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on November 10, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on November 12, 2018.

12. Fan Tao, the defendant, Male, DOB: 09/20/1986, ID: 652901198609204818, Han, associate degree, an employee of Beijing Jindu Law Firm, Birthplace:: Aral, Xinjiang province, Xinjiang Hukou: Shihua Road No. 47 Lixiangshuiyun Ste. 36 2-401, Jianshe Street, Korla, Xinjiang; currently living at Sanhuan Xincheng No. 7 Ste. 11 6-505, Fengtai District, Beijing for now. He was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on September 24, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

13. Wei Pengfei, the defendant, her alias: Mixue, Female, DOB: 08/15/1982, ID: 652801198208153444, Han, special secondary school education, irregular employment, Birthplace: Shaoding County, Hunan province, Hukou: Shanan Village Fu J5 Alley No. 28, Airport Express Way, Korla, Xinjiang, the current address: 56 Tengfeng Road Ste. 19 2-501, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on September 20, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by Korla Police Department on the next day.

14. Huang Lili, the defendant, her alias: Tang Xiao, Female, DOB: 11/26/1992, ID: 411602199211265521, Han, junior high school education, irregular employment, Birthplace:: Zhoukou, Henan province, Hukou: 126 Jianguo N Road Ste. 33 2-602, Korla, Xinjiang, the current address: No. 56 Tengfei Road Ste. 10 2-101, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on September 20, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

15. Ma Xiaojun, the defendant, her alias: Ma Xue, Female, DOB: 09/30/1978, ID: 412922197809304525, Han, junior high school education, irregular employment, Hukou, Birthplace: Niuzhuang Village, Zhaohe Town, Fangcheng County, Nanyang, Henan province; the current address: Qiaerbage village Group 1 Alley 3 No.7 1-102, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on September 20, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

16. Yang Hua, the defendant, Female, DOB:03/11/1990, ID: 513030199003118621, Han, junior high school education, irregular employment, Hukou and Birthplace: Liangfeng Hamlet Group 1 No. 111, Lifu Village, Qu County, Dazhou, Sichuan province; the current address: Alley 1 No.2 24 Lian Court Tiemenguan Road E Ste. 17, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by the Korla Police Department on September 20, 2018 on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

17. Shi Xianhe, the defendant, Male, DOB: 07/13/1994, ID: 410926199407134415, Han, junior high school education, irregular employment, Birthplace: Fan County, Henan province, Hukou: 174 Jianshe Road, Tahaqi Village, Heshuo County, Xinjiang, the current address: Jinmeng court Ste. 6 2-602, Korla, Xinjiang. He was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on September 22, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting him on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department on the next day.

18. Xu Yanli, the defendant, Female, DOB: 08/19/1972, ID: 412322197208192748, Han, associate degree, the vice principal of Golden Sun Kindergarten, development district, Korla, Birthplace: Shangqiu, Henan province, Hukou; the current address: 7 Beiyixiang Ste. 4 2-301, Renmin E Road, Sayibage Street, Korla, Xinjiang. She was put under criminal detention by Korla Police Department on September 23, 2018, on a charge of inciting to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. Our court approved of arresting her on October 26, 2018; arrest was executed by the Korla Police Department the next day.

Korla Police Department investigated the case and concluded by passing it to our court for examination and indictment on December 25, 2018, and April 10, 2019, respectively, with facts that the defendants, including Liu Weiguo, Lin Zaiwu, Li Yifang, Lin Hao, Gao Xinlian, Wang Xiaoqing, Yu Bingru, Zhang Min, Jiang Jinling, Chen Meiling, Fan Tao, Wei Pengfei, Huang Lili, Ma Xiaojun, Yang Hua, Shi Xianhe, and Xu Yanli incited to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization and the fact that the defendant, Jiang Xijun, incited to obstruct law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization. After processing the case, the court notified the defendants that they had the right to entrust defenders, inquired defendants by law, heard defenders' opinions, and examined all files regarding the case. On February 8, 2019, the court returned the case to the police department for further investigation, and the police department filed it again after further investigation on March 6, 2019. During that period, the chief prosecutor approved of two extensions of investigation and indictment, each of which is half a month.

It is found that after the lawful investigation:

From 2009 through the present, JIANYISITIFUZHUEN (Jiu An), Liu Weiguo, Jiang Xijun, Li Yifang, Lin Zaiwu, Lin Hao etc., the 5th generation "elders" of "Jehovah's Witnesses," have

violated religion management laws and regulations issued by the country by establishing the Korla congregation, recruiting 63 people, fraudulently using Christianity, deifying “Jehovah,” spreading superstition and heresy, agitating and inciting people not to join the Chinese Communist Party or the Communist Youth League, serve the military, raise the national flag, salute the national flag, sing the national anthem, and participate in elections, and they connected with overseas people, controlled believers by taking the most of regular meetings, and took advantage of each opportunity to accumulate wealth, so they have affected peoples’ normal religious faith, severely disturbed social order, and obstructed law enforcement. Below are details regarding their violations:

1. In March 2005, the defendants, the couple of Liu Weiguo and Zhang Min, were officially baptized in Beijing and converted to Jehovah’s Witnesses. In 2007, Liu Weiguo was ordained as an assistant servant of the Chongqing Jehovah’s Witnesses and then an elder of the Chongqing congregation. In October 2008, Liu Weiguo served as the elder of the Yili congregation in Xinjiang. From July 2011-July 2013, Liu Weiguo served as the elder of the Korla congregation, and Zhang Min served as the special pioneer. These individuals recruited seven people, including Song Qinghong, Xu Yanli, Shang Guanghong, Aoriliman, etc., as Bible students and hosted illegal gatherings more than 100 times at their rented place, located in Bazhou Hospital Jiashuyuan. 13 people attended, including Gao Xinlian, Yu Bingru, Wei Pengfei, Wang Xiaoqing, Xu Yanli, Zhao Lianhe and others. In February 2012, the Korla Ethnic and Religious Affairs Bureau the 13, gave them a warning, and shut down the illegitimate meeting spot. In efforts to avoid the penalty, the defendants, the couple of Liu Weiguo and Zhang Min, changed their meeting spot, and their weekly gatherings rotated among different people’s places, including the homes of Elder Lin Zaiwu, believer Gao Xinlian, Yu Bingru, and Wei Pengfei. This group met at the above-mentioned places more than 100 times. There was a donation box at the gathering each time to encourage believers to give money. They received 500 yuan from believers; 300 yuan of that amount was sent to the Hong Kong branch as support for the global mission, the rest of the amount was spent on making books and flyers. In order to spread the religion, the group distributed these to believers and non-believers at Remin Square, Jinseshidai, Peacock Park, and other packed places. In their gatherings, the group deified Jehovah, taught and advocated for “neutral politics”, required believers not to fulfill obligations stipulated in the [Chinese] Constitution, receive patriotic education, serve in the military, join the Chinese Communist Party and the Communist Youth League, raise the national flag, sing the national anthem, or salute the national flag, and demanded members not to transfuse nor give blood.

In July 2012 and July 2017, Liu Weiguo and his wife, along with Huang Lili, Xu Yanli, Zhao Lianhe, etc., attended a regional conference hosted by “Jehovah’s Witnesses” at the Hong Kong branch. In July 2013, Liu Weiguo and his wife held a gathering at Loulan Shijia, Korla, where they were found by the Committee of Ethnic and Religious Affairs. Then, in 2014, Liu and his wife left Korla and attended a regional conference in South Korea.

In October 2018, the defendants, Liu Weiguo and Zhang Min, resisted surveillance and refused to sing the national anthem and patriotic songs when held in custody at the detention center.

2. In February 2003, when studying in Japan, defendant Lin Zaiwu learned about “Jehovah’s Witnesses.” He was baptized in February 2004 and served as a missionary. In January 2009, he was ordained as an assistant pioneer with the approval of the elders of the local congregation

in Fuqing, Fujian. In July 2009, he officially served as a pioneer. In August 2012, Lin Zhengwu and his wife, Yang Xianhua (her case is separate from her husband's), came to Korla and actively converted others into Jehovah's Witnesses and organized gatherings. From August 2012-December 2015, the defendant Lin Zaiwu ganged up with Yang Xianhua and Jiang Xijun, organized more than 10 people, including Gao Xinlian, Yu Bingru, Wei Pengfei, Xu Yanli, Huang Lili, Zhao Lianhe, and so on to gather at their places (Jurong Building 2-1705, Huashan Jinxiuyuan Ste. 3 5-102) more than 80 times. They recruited Bible students, including Hu Ping, Shi Yanyan, Yang Hua, Dong Suying, Shi Xianhe, etc. In July 2013, Lin Zaiwu and Fan Tao, in charge of the sign language group, recruited Zhang Kai and others who are unable to speak and hear, advertised among the youth, encouraged them not to comply with obligations stipulated in the Constitution, preached and advocated for various thoughts, including "neutral politics," rejecting patriotic education, not serving in the military (including the military training before attending a college), not joining Chinese Communist Party or the Communist Youth League, not raising the national flag, not singing the national anthem, not saluting the national flag, and so on. Also, they spent donation money from gatherings on making books and magazines about Jehovah's Witnesses, distributed these to believers, and handed out flyers at packed places, promoting the overseas Jehovah's Witnesses website in efforts to proselytize people.

In July 2015, the defendants, the couple Lin Zaiwu and Yang Xianhua, attended the regional conference held by the Jehovah's Witnesses' Hong Kong branch in Hong Kong with Yang Ming, Zhang Kai, Hu Ping, Shi Xianhe, and so on, receiving advanced-level training in an attempt to expand their organization.

3. In October 2000, the defendant Li Yifang was baptized in Beijing and served as a Jehovah's Witnesses missionary. In October 2013, he was sent to Korla and served as an elder there. From October 2013-May 2018, the defendants, Li Yifang and Jiang Jinling oversaw a group of deaf people. They hosted members more than 300 times at different places, including their own homes, Lin Zaiwu's home, homes of believers--including Wei Pengfei, Huang Lili, Gao Xinlian, Xu Yanli, Yang Hua, Shi Xianhe, and Yu Bingru's company--preached and advocated for "neutral politics" and thoughts such as not fulfilling obligations stipulated in the [Chinese] Constitution, refusing patriotic education, not serving in the military (including the military training before attending a college), not joining the Chinese Communist Party or the Communist Youth League, not raising the national flag, not singing the national anthem, not saluting the national flag, etc. There was a donation box at each gathering. They raised funds for the daily expenses, making and printing relevant books and magazines, and the proclamation of the organization's Jehovah's Witnesses' thoughts among believers and non-believers. During their gathering on May 25, they were given an administrative penalty by the Korla Ethnic and Religious Affairs Bureau and were ordered to stop their event. Their relevant items were confiscated, and the event venue was shut down.

4. In 2004, the defendant, Lin Hao, learned about the Jehovah's Witnesses when working in South Korea and was baptized in May 2005. He served as a missionary. In October 2007, he was ordained as a formal pioneer; in 2010, he served as the elder of the Shenyang congregation. Chen Meiling, the defendant, was baptized in June 2010 and served as a Jehovah's Witnesses and later applied for the position of assistant pioneer. In December 2010, she was ordained as a formal pioneer. In August 2016, the defendants, the couple Lin Hao and Chen Meiling, hosted gatherings at Yu Bingru's Baide Education Consulting LTD with Yu Bingru's consent,

preaching the Jehovah's Witness faith and fraudulently using the name of Christianity. In addition, they held gatherings at the homes of Li Yifang, Lin Hao, and other believers more than 170 times, spreading the taboos, such as not joining Chinese Communist Party or the Communist Youth League, not serving in the military, not worshipping ancestors and parents, not saluting the national flags, and so on. If people did not comply with the rules, they would be punished. In each gathering, they took measures to keep the meeting secret, such as locking the door and the top of the door and using foam as soundproofing material. Every time they encouraged believers to donate, they used the excuses of supporting the global mission of "Jehovah's Witnesses" and aiding countries hit by disasters. They handed out books, magazines, and preaching materials about Jehovah's Witnesses multiple times. In the meantime, on weekends, they organized believers to distribute flyers and business cards to others in order to preach the religion.

5. In March 2013, Jiang Xijun, the defendant, was sent by Wang Yong (his case is separated from others), the leader of the Shandong Yantai "Jehovah's Witnesses" congregation, to be an elder of the Korla congregation. From March-August 2013, Jiang Xijun, Lin Zaiwu, and Liu Weiguo hosted illegal gatherings multiple times for Korla believers at different venues in Korla, such as Loulan Shijia A-601, Bayin Court Judongyuan Ste.1 3-502. Additionally, they printed and made "Jehovah' Witness" books and magazines at their place, Zhonglian Shangdu Court 4-603, in order to spread the religion. They preached and advocated for "neutral politics," not acknowledging Chinese traditional culture, not joining the army, not singing the national anthem, not serving in the military, not raising the national flag, not participating in elections as candidates or voters, etc.

In March 2019, using religion as an excuse, Jiang Xijun disobeyed the detention rules, refusing to sing the national anthem and patriotic songs, when being in custody at the detention center.

6. In July 2007, Wang Xiaoqing, the defendant, started believing in the Jehovah's Witness faith. From September 2009-April 2014, Wang Xiaoqing served as an assistant servant of the Jehovah's Witnesses (an evil religion) [Editor's note: The Jehovah's Witness faith being "an evil religion" is the opinion of the government body that issued this official document and does not represent the opinion of ChinaAid] congregation in Korla, helping Liu Weiguo, Lin Zaiwu, Jiang Xijun, and others to govern the Jehovah's Witnesses congregation of Korla and convert Zhao Lianhe, Qu Ping, and Li Jianqi to the religion. Additionally, from September 2009-September 2013, she shared the superstitions of the Jehovah's Witnesses with Yu Jing, an adolescent, inciting Yu Jing not to raise the national flag, not to sing the national anthem, not to join the Communist Youth League, nor to participate in military training, etc.

7. In October 2011, Gao Xinlian, the defendant, learned about "Jehovah's Witnesses" through Wang Xiaoqing, a Jehovah's Witness assistant servant, and in December 2011, was recruited as a Bible student by Zhang Min, the special pioneer. In February 2012, while gathering together, the organization was given a warning and administrative penalty by the ethnic and religious affairs department. Later, Gao Xinlian let Jehovah's Witnesses meet at her place, located at Jianguo N Road No. 27 Judongyuan Ste. 1 2-502, Korla multiple times. She was then baptized, with the baptism officiated by Liu Weiguo and Wang Xiaoqing, in September 2012, Gao served as a formal pioneer. Since December 2011, she has recruited and accepted

eight Bible students, including Lu Feng, Dong Suying, Li Jianqi, Yang Chunlei, etc. In the meantime, this group engaged in evangelical activities, such as handing out flyers and business cards on weekends as well as in their free time at crowded places. They preached and advocated for so-called “neutral politics,” not acknowledging Chinese traditional culture, not joining the army, not singing the national anthem, not serving the military, not raising the national flag, not participating in elections, neither as candidates nor voters, etc.

8. In February 2010, Wei Pengfei, the defendant (her case is separate from others), became a Bible student via Minister Mayila and was baptized. In September 2010, she served as a missionary. In 2011, after submitting application to Jiu An, she served as an assistant pioneer in September 2013. After sending an application to Lin Zaiwu, Wei served as a formal pioneer. Since March 2011, Wei Pengfei has preached the thoughts of the Jehovah’s Witness faith, an evil religion, to her mother, He Kaiyun, proselytized Zhang Cuihua, Lou Jingyuan, Zhang Lin, Xu Li, etc., and engaged in evangelical events for 70 hours every week. In turn, they promoted the Jehovah’s Witness religion by means of preaching and distributing cards, deified Jehovah, required believers to obey creeds: to not acknowledge Chinese culture, to not observe the customs of keening and vigil, to not serve the military, to not join Chinese Communist Party, to not sing the national anthem: to not honor any other law that they considered Communist Party taboos. In May 2013, Wei Pengfei spread thoughts of the evil Jehovah’s Witness religion to Huang Lili, making her gradually accept the teachings and appointing her as the formal pioneer eventually. In October 2018, while in custody in the Korla Detention Center, using the excuse of religion, Wei disobeyed detention rules, refused to sing patriotic songs or the national anthem.

9. In 2009, under the help of Wang Xiaoqing, an assistant servant, Yu Bingru, the defendant, met Jiu An, the first elder of the Korla congregation. Because of Jiu An’s indoctrination, Yu Bingru gradually accepted the superstitious thoughts of “Jehovah’s Witnesses” and entrusted Yu Jing, his adolescent son, to Wang Xiaoqing, who brainwashed Yu Jing, introduced Jiu An’s wife, Liu Xinzheng, to his wife, Lou Jingyuan, who later became a Bible student, and attended the gathering of Jehovah Witnesses more than 100 times. From October 2012-May 2016, he let Li Yifang, Fan Tao, etc., organize Jehovah’s Witness gatherings at the offices of Baide Education Consulting LTD, located at Loulan Shijia A 6th floor, Renmin E Road, Korla. From September 2009-August 2017, he required Yu Jing, his son not to attend the military training, not to sing the national anthem, not to salute the national flag, and not to join the Communist Youth League at school.

10. In February 2014, Huang Lili, the defendant, was baptized by Lin Zaiwu and became a Jehovah’s Witness missionary. In order to preach the superstitious thoughts of Jehovah’s Witnesses to the weak, deaf, and mute, she learned sign language from Yang Xianhua, the special pioneer. In August 2013, she converted Yang Hua, who then served as a missionary. Since 2014, Huang Lili invited members of the sign language group, including Shi Xianhe, Yang Ming, Li Bin, Zhang Kai, Ding Lijuan, Zhang Kai, and others to gatherings multiple times; expounding on the thoughts of the evil Jehovah’s Witness religion. During her service as a formal pioneer ordained by Lin Zaiwu, she downloaded, printed, and made five books and five flyers, handed out five copies of the Bible and other books, and distributed 15 flyers. Since October, she has been allowing the gathering to meet at her place, No. 56 court Ste. 10 2-101.

During her detention in November 2018, she disobeyed detention rules, refusing to sing the national anthem and patriotic songs.

11. In August 2012, when attending the Jehovah's Witness regional conference held in Hong Kong, Fan Tao, the defendant, was baptized and served as a missionary. In 2012, because of the Jehovah's Witnesses' illegal gatherings, he was warned by the Korla Committee of Ethnic and Religious Affairs. From July 2013-October 2015, Fan Tao assisted Lin Zaiwu to proselytize people, once provided his place for gathering, and hosted Jehovah's Witness gatherings more than 10 times, recruited Shi Xianhe as a missionary, converted Li Bin and Hu Pin to the religion, and preached the superstitious thoughts of "Jehovah's Witnesses" to Gao Di, Liang Zhongfeng, Chen Wenjun, and others.

12. In October 2011, Ma Xiaojun, the defendant, was introduced to the Jehovah's Witness religion by Aoriliman and attended their gathering held at Li Zaiwu's home. In December 2013, she was baptized, which was officiated by Li Yifang, and served as a missionary. In 2016, she infused her husband, Wu Yuyin, her sons, Wu Junlong and Wu Penghui (underage), her older sister, Ma Junying, and her friend, Wang Ke, with thoughts of Jehovah's Witnesses. She attended Jehovah's Witness gatherings multiple times, let the gatherings be held at her place, distributed brochures to pedestrians, and introduced them to the overseas website of Jehovah's Witnesses more than 40 times.

13. In 2013, when working at Huijia Ers, Yang Hua, the defendant, got to know Huang Lili, and due to her influence, Yang Hua became a Bible student. In November 2013, Yang Hua preached the thoughts of the evil Jehovah's Witness faith to her elder sister, Yang Ling, her brother-in-law, Yu Lei, and her coworkers. After Yang Hua was baptized, she served as a missionary in 2015. She attended Jehovah's Witness gatherings multiple times, donated 200 yuan, and let gatherings be held at her place nearly 40 times. In addition, she handed out cards and flyers at crowded places three times each week. In October 2018, while being held in custody at the Korla Detention Center, she disobeyed detention rules, refused to sing patriotic songs and the national anthem.

14. In November 2012, Xu Yanli, the defendant, was brought to a Jehovah's Witness gathering by Zhang Min and became a Bible student. In July 2013, the couple Liu Weiguo and Zhang Min took her to a Jehovah's Witness Hong Kong branch conference. In November 2013, she was baptized, which was officiated by Li Yifang, and served as a missionary. From July 2014-April 2018, her place, located at Beiyixiang No. 15 Kangweiyuan Ste. 4 2-301, Renmin N Road, Korla, was used as a venue for gatherings, and Li Yifang, Lin Hao, Jiang Jinling, and Chen Meiling organized nine people, including Xu Yanli, Yang Hua, and others to study at her place more than 100 times. She served as an assistant pioneer for a month, and during that month, she preached the thoughts of the evil Jehovah Witness religion to Shang Guan hong, Shang Guanzhi, and Liu Qitao, and recruited Shang Guan hong as a "Bible student." In October 2018, while in custody at the Korla Detention Center, Xu Yanli disobeyed detention rules, refusing to sing the national anthem and patriotic songs.

15. In January 2013, Shi Xianhe, the defendant, learned the thoughts of the evil Jehovah

Witness religion from Fan Tao. In February 2013, Shi Xianhe introduced Yang Xianhua to his wife, Yang Ming, who then became Yang Xianhua's Bible student. From July 2013-September 2018, Shi Xianhe attended "Jehovah's Witness" gatherings more than 300 times, provided his place to the sign language group, and introduced Fan Tao to Li Bin, who Fan Tao recruited as a Bible student. Shi Xianhe and Huang Lili preached the thoughts of the evil Jehovah Witness religion in sign language during gatherings, required members to rigorously follow the rules of the religion, obey the doctrine of "Jehovah's Witnesses," not serve the military, not sing the national anthem, not join the Chinese Communist Party or Communist Youth League, not participate in elections as either candidates or voters, and not celebrate Chinese traditional holidays. They also prohibited them from transfusing and giving blood.

In August 2018, Shi Xianhe and his wife, Yang Ming, attended the Hong Kong branch's conference under Huang Lili's instruction, received training, and became missionaries. They attended the Hong Kong regional conference four times.

After the incident, the police department confiscated one Samsung Laser Printer, one Canon Color Printer, one Samsung Galaxy Tab3 tablet, one Samsung laptop, 30 DVD discs, 108 business cards, two map cards, 23 large printed books, 44 small printed books, 22 hand-written note books, 55 hand-written notes, 383 flyers, 81 color brochures, two desk calendars, four pieces of advance directive, one Bible reading schedule, and one brochure at Huang Lili's place and one iPhone, at Gao Xinlian's place. They confiscated three books, one promotional image, 12 hand-written notebooks, 84 business cards of the Jehovah's Witness website, and one camera at Wei Pengfei's place. They confiscated three golden Samsung cell phones, two Samsung tablets, six DVD discs, one computer chassis of an HP desktop, four color group photos, 47 cards of the [Jehovah's Witness] website, nine study notebooks, 43 books, and 110 flyers at Xu Yanli's place. They confiscated two books, two programs of the 2018 Jehovah Witnesses Regional Conference, one notebook, one card, three best-wishes papers, one hand-written note, one white iPad, one card reader, one golden iPhone, and two thumb drives at Shi Xianhe's place. They confiscated eight books, one hand-written notebook, one disc, one Lenovo thumb drive, three iPhones, two iPads, and two laptops at Yu Bingru's place. They confiscated one white Samsung cell phone, one golden iPad, and eight books at Zhang Min's place. They confiscated one tablet, one Samsung cell phone, 28 business cards, 83 copies of promotion articles, seven receipts, one photo, 2 forms of application for assistant pioneer, 2 copies of congregation analysis, 1 report of congregation account, five notebooks, one picture, and 10 books at Chen Meiling's place. At Wang Xiaoqing's home, four notebooks and six books [were confiscated]. Qin Dalin handed in 260 books involved in the case, 476 flyers, and 182 business cards of the website. At Li Yifang's place, 132 flyers, 17 books, four notebooks, 178 brochures, two thumb drives [were confiscated]. At Mang Xiaojun's home, 131 books, four notebooks, 169 flyers, 64 business cards, and one copy of the advance directive [were confiscated]. One tablet [was confiscated] at Yang Hua's place.

The following evidence supports the facts: material evidence, books, witnesses' testimonies, defendants' statements and explanations, appraisals, inquests, examinations, and transcript identifications.

The court thinks that the defendants, including Liu Weiguo, Lin Zaiwu, Li Yifang, Lin Hao, Jiang Xijun, Gao Xinlian, Wang Xiaoqing, Yu Bingru, Zhang Min, Jiang Jinling, Chen

Meiling, Fan Tao, Wei Pengfei, Huang Lili, Ma Xiaojun, Yang Hua, Shi Xianhe, and Xu Yanli, actively expanded the evil Jehovah's Witness organization by converting people to the religion. They organized the gatherings and provided their places for the gatherings multiple times, promoted and preached so-called neutral politics, organized and incited members or others not to fulfill citizens' legitimate obligations, and ruined the country's laws and rules, which violates Articles 300 and 25 of the People's Republic of China Criminal Law. The crime facts are clear; evidence is sufficient and substantial. These individuals are accomplices and should be accused of obstructing law enforcement by organizing and using an evil religious organization and be prosecuted for criminal liabilities. Per the Criminal Procedure Law of the People's Republic of China Article 176 Clause 1, they are indicted. Please convict them according to the law.

Salutations,
Korla People's Court
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Prosecutor: Zhang Qi
April 15, 2019

Attachment:

1. Defendants, including Liu Weiguo, Lin Zaiwu, Li Yifang, Lin Hao, Jiang Xijun, Gao Xinlian, Wang Xiaoqing, Zhang Min, Jiang Jinling, Chen Meiling, Fan Tao, Wei Pengfei, Huang Lili, Ma Xiaojun, Yu Bingru, Yang Hua, Shi Xianhe, and Xu Liyan, are detained at the Korla Detention Center.

2. 40 volumes of case materials and evidence.

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