

North Korea: Human Rights Ground Zero: Suzanne Scholte Additional Submission: List of North Korean Refugees and Humanitarian Workers Seized by the Chinese Authorities

January 27, 2004 The following represents a list that the Defense Forum Foundation began compiling in 2002 of the names of North Korean refugees and humanitarian workers who are known to have been seized by the Chinese authorities. There are, of course, thousands and thousands of others whose names are unknown to us. This list was compiled in cooperation with seven NGOs working to rescue North Korean refugees and was reviewed for accuracy by the Seoul-based Citizens Coalition for Human Rights of Abductees and the Japan-based Life Funds for North Korean Refugees. The list has been periodically submitted to the People's Republic of China along with letters requesting release of the individuals still in their custody and information about the whereabouts of those who have disappeared. It has been read aloud at two protest rallies in front of the PRC embassy in Washington, D.C. and at a protest rally organized by the Citizens Alliance for North Korean Human Rights at the PRC embassy in Prague, the Czech Republic. The humanitarian workers and journalists are listed in bold. Seized on December 13, 2003 in Guangxi: Takayuki Noguchi, male, 32, humanitarian worker with Life Funds for North Korean Refugees seized by Chinese police along with two Japanese-born North Korean refugees, a woman in her 40s (born in Tokai Region Japan) and a man in his 50s born in West Japan. Seized on December 5, 2003 in Nanning City: Chinese authorities seized 36 North Korean refugees hiding in Nanning City, Kwangzi Province. Seized in early September, 2003 in Yunnan Province: Yun Jong-Ok, female 37 Yun Kwang-chol, male 34 Park (first name not known), female 31 Lee So-bong, female 54 Ko Kum-suk, female 34 Ko Hye-suk, female 32 Ko I-song, female, 27 Ko Song-hi, female, 24 O In-sun, female 20 Ko Jong-hi, female 40 O In-chol, male 15 O Jong-hwa, female 34 Kim So-hi, female 27 Sohn Mi-hyang female, 8 Chung Hye yong, female 26 Kwak Hyon-chol male, 21 Kim Kwang-il male 18 Park, Kum-song, male 18 Ye, Song-jin, male 20 Chang Chol, male 19 Dong Chong-shil male, 19 Kim Mi-na, female, 16 Kim Un-hye female 17 Yu Song, female, 15. Seized on September 5, 2003 in Guangzhou: Woo, Dr. Ri-Chae, a North Korean biological weapons expert was seized while trying to enter the Australian consulate general office in Guangzhou. His wife and children fled when Dr. Woo was seized. Seized on July 27, 2003 in Beijing -- These four were arrested outside a restaurant in Beijing. On the day of their arrest, they had arrived from the city of Yanji by the Tumen-Beijing express train. Mr. Lee Kil-wun (64, from the Onsong district, North Korea, coal-mine administrator) Mrs. Han Sun-bok (60, wife of Mr. Lee Kil-wun, former high school teacher, from the same district) Mr. Lee Song-min (31, son of Mr. Lee and Mrs. Han, worker, from the same district) Ms. Kang Myong-ok (35, from the city of Chongjin, North Korea.) Seized on July 27, 2003 in Qingdao, China: Eight North Korean refugees including four children. Seized on January 18, 2003 in Yantai City, Shandong Province: Ko Chong Mi (Female, born September 23, 1960 in Japan Osaka Ikunoku Tennoji) Lee Yu Son (Female, born September 21, 1982 in DPRK Pyon an Puk Do) Kim Son Hee (Female born September 1, 1961 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Kil Ju Gun Yong Buk Ku) Pee Okk Ju (Female born February 11, 1988 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do) Kim Myong Chol (Male born January 28, 1965 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Rajing Jang Pyong Dong) Chu Hun Kuk (Male born December 29, 1956 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Kil Ju Gun Yong Buk Ku) Kim Yong Ho (Male born December 17, 1969 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Fe Ryong City Yok Chon Dong) Kim Kum Ok (Female born March 28, 1960 in DPRK Han Gyong Nam Do Ham Hung Song Chon) Sin Younghee (Female born July 14, 1986 in Han Gyong Puk Do Seppyor Gun An Won Li 39) Choun Hyang Hwa (Female born July 10, 1983 in DPRK Han Gyong Nam Do Ham Hung Song Chon Kang Yok John Dong 15) Kim Un Kum (Female born June 25, 1931 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Myon Chon Kun) Be Kwang Myong (Male born January 1, 1986 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Chong Jin Chong am 1-3) Park Ran Hee (Female born January 17, 1964 in DPRK Han Gyong Nam Do Ham Hung Yong Song Gu Yoku) Lee Kyong Su (Male born Feb. 18, 1968 in DPRK Yang Kang Do He San city) Lee Chol Ho (Male born Aug. 28, 1967 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Chong Jin City Chong Jin) Lee Chol Nam (Male born Apr. 26, 1969 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Chong Jin City Chong Jin) Yang Yong Ho (Male born March 30, 1961 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do mu san gun) Yang Gum Soon (Female born Dec. 2, 1987 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do mu san gun) Jang Yong Chol (Male born Apr. 20, 1955 in DPRK Han Gyong Puk Do Chong Jin City Chong Jin) Kim Young Kwang (Male, 20 years old born in DPRK) Choi Yong-hun (South Korean humanitarian aid worker; sentenced to 5-year imprisonment and a fine of 30,000 RMB on May 22, 2003) Seok Jae-hyun (South Korean journalist; sentenced to 2-year imprisonment and a fine of 5,000 RMB on May 22, 2003) Park Yong-chol (NK national; sentenced to 2-year imprisonment and a fine of 5,000 RMB on May 22, 2003) Park Yong-ho (Chinese version of "Piao LONGGAO;" Korean Chinese national; sentenced to 3-year imprisonment and a fine of 10,000 RMB on May 22, 2003) Kim Song-man (Chinese version of "Jin CHENGWAN;" Korean Chinese national; sentenced to 1-year imprisonment and a fine of 1,000 RMB) Seized on November 13, 2002 at the Vietnam/China border -- These seventeen refugees were seized by Vietnamese border guards and turned over to Chinese authorities. After their arrest they were held in Pingshang, Nanying City, Guangxi Province, China. Kim, Ok-ryun (female, 38) Kim, Myung-hee (female, 33) Choi, Kil-sook (female, 62) Kim, Kum-dan (female, 67) Hwa Jung (28) Lee, Sung-yeol (male, 20) Kim, Chul-ho (male, 44) Lee, Hwa-jun (male, 35) Park, Yoon-sang (male, 54) Cho, Kyung-sook (female, 29) Cho, Sung-sook (26) Kwak, Myung-neo (male, 35) Yoon, Seo-young (female, 24) Chun, Chang-sup (male, 42) Hwang, Tae-Wook (male, 9) Oh, Song-Wol (4 year old child) Lee, Dae-ho (7 month old baby) Seized on October 31, 2002 at the German School in Beijing: Joo, Seung-hee (female, 41, Hamkyung Bukdo) Han, Mee Kyung (female, 17, daughter of Joo Seung-hee) Lee, Sun-hee (female, 39, Hamkyung Bukdo) Kim, Ok-byul (female, 14, daughter of Lee Sun-hee) Kim, Kwang-soo (male, 16, son of Lee Sun-hee) Seized on October 30, 2002 in Dalian: Kim, Gun Nam (male) Seized on September 2, 2002 at the Ecuadorian Embassy in Beijing: Han, Song-hwa (female, 45) Cho, Seong-hee (female, 16, daughter of Han Song-hwa) Cho, Hyun-hee (female, 12, daughter of Han Song-hwa) Kim, Yeon-hee (female, 31) Cho, Il-

hyun (female, 10 months, daughter of Kim Yeon-hee) Choi, Jin-hee (female, 28) Chung, Kwon (male, 28) Cho, Young-ho (male, 20) Seized on August 31, 2002 in Changchun in Northeast China: Kim, Hee-tae, humanitarian worker, was seized along with eight North Korean refugees, who were attempting to leave China. Sentenced to 7 years imprisonment. Seized on August 31, 2002 near the Mongolian border: Yun Kim Shil (female) Seized on August 26, 2002 at the Chinese Foreign Ministry in Beijing -- These seven refugees attempted to apply for asylum at the Chinese Foreign Ministry: Kim, Jae-gon (male, 60) Kim, Jong-nam (male, 36) Kim, Mi-young (female, 37) Jo Song-hye (female, 27) An, Choi-su (male, 40) Ko, Dae-chang (male, 56) Kim, Hong (female, 29) Seized between May 24-26, 2002, in Yunnan Province near the Laos/Burman/China borders -- Six North Korean defectors of which three names are known to us: Lee, Song-yong (boy, 3) (note his mother, Park Sun, hi (female, 31), defected successfully to South Korea in 2000) Lee, Hong-gang (male, 48) Kim, Mi-hwa (female, 30) Seized on May 10, 2002 while attempting to reach Thailand: Kim, Chul Soo (male, 63) Kim's wife (female, 60) Kim's daughter (female, 30) Choi, Soon Kum (female, 59) Kim, Myung-Wol (female, 45) Pack, Nam Gil (male, 18) Park, Myung-Chul (male, 45) Han, Young-Ae (female, 45) Han's husband (male, 47) Eun, Shim (female, 10) Eun Shim's brother (male, 14) Seized on May 9, 2002 in Yanbian: Rev. John Daniel Choi, American citizen who had set up an orphanage to care for North Korean refugee children. Fourteen refugees he was helping were seized on the say day Choi was taken by Chinese authorities. Seized on April 12, 2002 in Yenji, China: Rev. Choi, Bong-il (54), humanitarian worker, sentenced to 9 years imprisonment Shin Chul (24) (refugee being helped by Rev. Choi) Choi, Sung-gil (23) (refugee being helped by Rev. Choi) Seized between December 29-30, 2001 near the Mongolia border -- Seized near the border town of Dongchi in northeastern Inner Mongolia trying to cross the China/Mongolia border on December 29/early December 30, 2001. These refugees were seized when Pastor Chun Ki Won was arrested. Pastor Chun served nine months in a Chinese prison for trying to help these refugees. Two refugees in this group who had U.S. relatives were allowed to go to Seoul. After their arrest, these refugees were held at Manchu-Ri Prison in China: Roh, Myung-ok (female, 38, wife of a SK citizen, Chung, Jae-song) Chung (Jung), Yoon (Eun)-mee (female, 10, daughter of No Myung-ok) Chung (Jung), Yoon(Eun)-chul (male, 8, son of No Myung-ok) Kim, Kwang-il (male, 32) Kim, Chul-nam (male, son of Kim Kwang-il) Kim, Ji-sung (male) Nam, Choon-mee (female, wife of Kim Ji-sung) Seized on September 16, 2000 at their "safe-house" with their son in Dalian by Chinese police: Han, Won-chaе (male, 60) Shin, Keum-hyun (female, 58) Their son, Han, Sin-hyuk, successfully defected to South Korea. Seized on January 17, 2000 by North Korean security agents in China: Rev. Kim, Dong-sik (Rev. Kim is a citizen of South Korea but also has a green card from the USA); he is believed to have been abducted to North Korea Seized on August 6, 1997 by Chinese police in Jian, Liaoning Province: Li, Song-Nam (51) Seized on February 4, 1997 at the Shanghai International Airport: Kim, Eun-Chol (male, 35); His parents (Jae-Won Kim and his wife live in South Korea and it is believed he was sent back to North Korea)