

March 16, 2000: Hearings on Religious Persecution in China

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Commission members (left to right) Justice Charles Z. Smith Firuz Kazemzadeh, Executive Director Steven McFarland, Chair David Saperstein, Elliott Abrams, Laila Al-Marayati, M.D and Ambassador Robert Seiple.

Opening Remarks

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Video Excerpt

Panel 1

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Wei Jingsheng , former political prisoner

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Lu (Frank) Siqing, Director, Information Center for Human Rights and Democratic Movements, Hong Kong

Oral Testimony , Prepared Testimony , Video Excerpt

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Mickey Spiegel, Human Rights Watch

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Question and Answer

Panel 2

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Introduction

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Xiqiu (Bob) Fu, house-church leader

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Harry Wu, former detainee

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Dr. Kim-Kwong Chan, Hong Kong Christian Council

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Ajia Rinpoche, former Senior Abbot of Kumbum Monastery

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Erping Zhang, Falun Gong spokesman

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Dr. Dru Gladney, Asia-Pacific Center, Hawaii

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Fr. Drew Christiansen, Georgetown University

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Dr. Merle Goldman, Harvard University

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Question and Answer

Closing Remarks