

Zhou Yongkang to Finally Face Charges

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According to official media the Chinese Communist Party's former security chief, Zhou Yongkang, has been indicted on charges of bribery, abuse of power, and the intentional disclosure of state secrets.

Although Zhou has been under investigation since 2012 and he has been expelled from the communist party, it has taken a long time to gather evidence against him and his family.

Zhou Yongkang was a member of the powerful Politburo Standing Committee, the highest decision-making body in the country, and was part of the faction of former regime leader Jiang Zemin who stepped down in 2002 but retained major influence in the communist party after retiring.

Chinese prosecutors said:

"The defendant Zhou Yongkang... took advantage of his posts to seek gains for others and illegally took huge property and assets from others, abused his power, causing huge losses to public property and the interests of the state and the people."

His former underling, former Chongqing Communist Party chief Bo Xilai, is in prison on charges linked to his wife's murder of a UK businessman.

Bo and Zhou were instrumental in carrying out Jiang Zemin's genocidal persecution of Falun Gong practitioners, but there has been no mention of this in the state media.

The next and biggest 'tiger' of all, Jiang Zemin, is now the target of Xi Jinping's "anti-corruption" drive.

It remains to be seen if the party will come clean about the persecution, including organ harvesting of Falun Gong practitioners, when Jiang is taken down.