



The author speaks at the International Congress of the Transplantation Society in Berlin, Germany, 2012(minghui.org)

Mass killings, organ harvesting, and China's secret solution to its dissident problem

Ethan Gutmann's *'The Slaughter'* is a shocking and moving account of how organ harvesting from living prisoners of conscience grew out of the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) persecution of Tibetans, Uyghurs and Falun Gong practitioners.

These crimes against humanity have been ignored by western democratic governments who value trade with China above human rights.

Gutmann states that no consent is ever given by prisoners of conscience to be killed for their organs - they are harvested like animals, and that is why he did not entitle the book '*Malpractice*' but '*The Slaughter*'

Gutmann painstakingly takes us through the beginnings of the organ trade which he says began around the late 1970's with the execution of criminals condemned for capital offences (but who still probably gave no consent), to 1991 in Xinxiang when harvesting of Uyghur prisoners of conscience was in full swing.

The CCP always denied that organs were taken from any person without consent, and certainly not from prisoners of conscience or political prisoners. The CCP always denied the use of organs from executed criminals until the allegations of organ harvesting from living Falun Gong practitioners became public in 2005 and the regime was scrambling to find an explanation for the huge numbers of organs being sold openly by Chinese hospitals, especially military hospitals.

Smoking gun

Gutmann interviewed more than 100 witnesses for the book, so many that he described feeling "compassion fatigue", but it is hard not to be moved by the accounts of torture, brainwashing and brutality visited upon peaceful and non-violent human beings by the CCP thugs.

His main witness - the 'smoking gun' is a Taiwanese surgeon with a peerless reputation for integrity and candor. He has personal and direct knowledge of the organ harvesting of Falun Gong in the Chinese mainland, and for the first time he has spoken publically. It represents the culmination of a long quest to find medical confirmation of China's harvesting of prisoners of conscience from an unimpeachable source. His story was embargoed until the publication of this book on August 12th this year.

Why the persecution of Falun Gong?

Gutmann spends much time attempting to explain the 'unexplainable' - why would the communist regime persecute peaceful people who attempt to live by the tenets of "Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance".

He provides probably the best laymans description I have read of the deeply held beliefs of these peaceful and principled people.

One of the most moving chapters is "Into Thin Airwaves" - in which a group of young practitioners in 2002, decided to break the CCP censorship and vilification of Falun Gong by tapping into the TV signals in Changchun. The broadcast played on eight channels for more than 50 minutes, showing the lies of the CCP and that Falun Gong was being practised openly right around the world.

Jiang Zemin, the CCP leader and the architect of the Falun Gong persecution was livid. Its unclear whether Jiang actually gave an order to "kill (Falun Gong) without mercy", but the Jilin City head of the 6-10 Office (the gestapo like entity set up to persecute Falun Gong) said: "this time we will tear their skin off." Within months the small group who had carried out the tapping were brutally tortured to death. These brave souls took on the might of the CCP and exposed them for the cowards they are.

Gutmann estimates that between the year 2000 and the Beijing Olympics in 2008, 65,000 Falun Gong practitioners were killed for their organs. The killings and organ harvesting continue to this day and the author says that, as with the liberation of the Nazi extermination camps, the world will not know the full truth of these crimes against humanity until the Chinese Communist Party is either reformed or overthrown.

Ethan Gutmann brings together the various evidence and knowledge of these atrocities that is available from many sources and adds to this body of knowledge with his own findings.

The result is a shocking, but moving account of terrible crimes against humanity being carried

out today by the Chinese Communist Party, but also an account of the indomitable bravery of those who speak out against this evil party.

Highly recommended reading!

The Slaughter

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