2008 "Millions of Signatures" Petition

Global Effort to Stop Beijing's Persecution of Falun Gong before the 2008 Olympic Games

To whom it may concern

I know that Falun Gong (also called Falun Dafa) is a spiritual cultivation practice begun in China, which teaches people to cultivate themselves according to the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance so as to develop good health and character, and that it has spread to over 80 countries around the world. As a result, I have a good impression of Falun Gong.

I am also aware that since July 1999, some leaders of the party-state in Beijing, headed by former president Jiang Zemin, launched a brutal crackdown on Falun Gong across China and that thousands of Falun Gong practitioners who refused to give up their belief were tortured to death. Tens of millions of Chinese nationals have been deprived of their basic human rights and freedom of belief because of practising Falun Gong. I am both shocked and grieved about this persecution.

Human rights are universal and indivisible; respect for them is integral to the Olympic Games' modern tradition. It is thus unacceptable that the Communist regime of China, even while preparing to host the 2008 Olympic Games, continues to persecute Falun Gong practitioners, thereby also violating international human rights covenants signed by China itself.

I, therefore, make the following appeals:

1. The Communist regime of China must immediately put an end to the persecution of Falun Gong.
2. My own national government, parliament, Olympic Committee and human right organisations should call on the authorities in Beijing to stop the persecution of Falun Gong.
3. CIPFG can submit this petition or a copy of it to various governments, parliaments, the International Olympic Committee, the United Nations and other international human rights organisations in order to urge them to take immediate action to help the Falun Gong practitioners in China to regain their human rights and dignity by the time of the opening of the 2008 Olympic Games.

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