Statement by Professor Yuan Hongbin

(followed by Q&A)

Leaked Information from a Private CCP Meeting Attended by President Xi Jinping

The CCP is Intensifying its Attack Against Falun Gong Practitioners Overseas

About Professor Yuan Hongbing

Professor Yuan is an internationally renowned Chinese-Australian legal scholar, novelist, and Chinese dissident. In 1994, when unlawfully imprisoned for his views on democracy in China, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch advocated for his release. Professor Yuan has been quoted by numerous media outlets including The Age, the Sydney Morning Herald, the ABC and China Scope. He has previously revealed leaked information about Chinese United Front Strategies Targeting Taiwan's Legislature and the CCP strategies regarding the Hainan Free Trade Port. He was also an active supporter of the Tiananmen student's democratic movement on June 4th, 1989.

Professor Yuan was a law professor at China's prestigious Peking University. He studied and taught at Peking University for 16 years and later taught at Guizhou Normal University for 10 years, where he was the founding dean of the law school of Guizhou Normal University. While he was at Peking University, he was also the main lecturer training senior judges and senior prosecutors. During his teaching career, he taught thousands of students, many of whom, along with former colleagues, are now working in senior and high-ranking positions within the CCP system, including key departments of public security organs, procuratorial organs, people's courts, the Chinese judicial system and national security.

STATEMENT

In 2022, before the 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), the CCP's Political and Legal Affairs Commission held an enlarged meeting. In attendance, in addition to the secretary of the Political and Legal Affairs Commission, their deputy secretaries, their committee members and secretary-general, there were also members of the Ministry of Public Security; members of the Ministry of State Security; members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and members of the United Front Work Department. President Xi Jinping also participated in the meeting.

LEAKED INFORMATION FROM THE WHISTLEBLOWERS

During this meeting, a number of key points were discussed by President Xi Jinping during his speech. In the first point, Xi Jinping said that before the 18th National Congress of the CCP, the suppression of Falun Gong internationally was largely a failure.

> ***Professor Yuan's personal comment:***
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> *Everyone should pay attention to this 18th National Congress time frame. The 18th National Congress marks the time when Xi Jinping came to power. Xi Jinping became the top leader of the CCP at the 18th National Congress. So, Xi Jinping stated that before that time, during the Jiang Zemin era and Hu Jintao era, the suppression of Falun Gong abroad was a failure. The crackdown and suppression overseas failed. So, what did Xi Jinping see as the specific manifestation of this failure? That Falun Gong was not eliminated, not eradicated by the CCP internationally. Instead, media organisations founded by Falun Gong practitioners and cultural groups have become highly active in the international community. Not only in the Chinese-speaking community internationally, but also in the English-speaking community. "They have developed into the CCP's most prominent opposition force," these were Xi Jinping's words.*

Then, Xi Jinping further stated what the reasons were for the failure to suppress Falun Gong in the past. One reason was that the overall strategy to crack down on Falun Gong, the efforts to suppress it, the strategic plan, lacked effective collaboration among the various departments of the CCP.

Another reason was that the methods used to suppress Falun Gong abroad were too conservative, too traditional, lacked creativity, and lacked innovation. Xi Jinping specifically pointed out that in the past the CCP mainly relied on infiltration, division, and disintegration tactics to try to bring down Falun Gong. However, the facts have proven that this approach has had little effect.

The third point that Xi Jinping also emphasized was that internationally one of the key reasons for the failure to suppress Falun Gong overseas was that despite the CCP investing a large amount of funds into this effort, in reality, a considerable portion of these funds were wasted and a portion of it was also embezzled. Xi Jinping specifically mentioned the CCP's Central Commission for Discipline Inspection had already gathered some information regarding this embezzlement.

Xi Jinping ordered that in the future, a reshuffle of personnel be carried out for those

involved in suppressing Falun Gong overseas. Things needed to be reorganised. Those who should be dismissed needed to be dismissed. Restructuring of a powerful coordinating and enforcement agency for targeting Falun Gong internationally needed to be made.

Xi Jinping instructed to completely, and on an international scale, suppress Falun Gong's momentum. His concrete plan was that overseas CCP activities targeting Falun Gong needed a new organisational structure. There had to be a new coordination mechanism. Previously, whether domestically or internationally, the suppression of Falun Gong, repression of Falun Gong, was mainly led by the CCP's Central Political and Legal Affairs Commission.

Now, after the restructuring, before the 20th National Congress, the adjustments made before this Congress resulted in domestic suppression of Falun Gong being primarily handled by the Ministry of Public Security. Meanwhile, the suppression efforts targeting Falun Gong abroad would be mainly handled by the Ministry of State Security. At the time of this meeting, Chen Yixin was still the Secretary-General of the CCP's Political and Legal Affairs Commission. However, at that time, it had already been internally decided, before the 20th National Congress, that Wang Xiaohong was going to be the Minister of Public Security and that Chen Yixin was going to be the Minister of National Security. It was confirmed at this meeting, after the 20th National Congress, that the crackdown on Falun Gong overseas would be coordinated mainly by the Ministry of National Security. That is, coordinated by Chen Yixin.

Regarding the specific action plan, Xi Jinping gave instructions to have "one focus, two basic directions". This "one focus", according to what this source has disclosed, stated by Xi Jinping refers to targeting the founder of Falun Gong and his family. Xi Jinping thought that before the 18th National Congress, an important reason why the CCP's crackdown on Falun Gong overseas had been ineffective was that they missed the point. This focal point was missed. So according to Xi Jinping's instructions, this "one focus" of the CCP's tactic was to target the founder of Falun Gong, to have a character assassination on him. To create various forms of character defamation against him, attacks and so on.

What are the "two basic directions"? One is public opinion warfare and the other is legal warfare. As for the so-called public opinion warfare, which includes demanding the CCP's official organisations should mention Falun Gong less. The public opinion attacks on Falun Gong should rely mainly on some media and self-media whose viewpoints about the CCP are more ambiguous. They are the ones to launch public opinion attacks on Falun Gong. This would be more effective.

Another important aspect of the public opinion warfare is about messing up the Falun Gong founded media from the inside. Previously on this point, in his speech, Xi Jinping had commented that in the past, when targeting Falun Gong, when they had infiltrated (into Falun Gong), they would collect some information, to get some inside information. Xi thought this was of no real value. The key point should be to divide, disintegrate, and mess up the media of Falun Gong. These are the two sides of the public opinion warfare.

What about the lawfare? It's all about exploiting the litigation systems of the United States, Taiwan, and some other countries. To use their judicial systems to launch attacks on Falun Gong through lawfare. The time when I got this information was September 2024.

WHO ARE THE SOURCES? WHERE DID THIS LEAKED INFORMATION COME FROM?

I got this information from two sources. One was from people with a conscience in the CCP system. These people with a conscience in their hearts, have a strong political dissatisfaction regarding this totalitarian and authoritarian system of the CCP. They want to pursue the democratisation of China. That's why I call them the people with a conscience in the CCP's system. However, for information like this, I must also verify it through other channels before I disclose it. So, I have another source for verification, and that’s the members of the CCP's Red Second Generation Families. Among the members of the CCP's Red Second Generation Families, (now quite a number of them) some of them are subject to political purges of the CCP's Xi Jinping. For some others, because of Xi Jinping’s personal dictatorship, he does not allow these Red Second Generation Families to share power with him like they did during the Jiang Zemin era. Therefore, some of these Red Second Generation Families have extreme dissatisfaction towards Xi Jinping, even hatred. I had the information verified from people of the Red Second Generation Families.

As for the overall source of this information, as I said at the beginning, in the CCP system, I had some of those connections which are currently still active.

PROFESSOR YUAN’S PERSONAL REMARKS ABOUT THE LEAKED INFORMATION

I'll just add a few more personal remarks. What I've obtained from within the CCP system, from those people with a conscience, is that Xi Jinping has planned to target Falun Gong overseas, with an unmitigated suppression, crackdown, and repression. Out of all the human rights violations committed throughout the entire 21st century, these human rights violations perpetrated by the CCP are what the international

community should be watching very closely. . There are a number of circumstances behind Xi Jinping’s plans to crackdown on Falun Gong overseas.

The first is that the tyrannical CCP, acting as a political mafia group, has committed a series of unforgivable crimes against humanity against different nations on the East Asia continent. Under the CCP's tyranny, since it came into power, there were already almost 100 million people of different ethnic groups who died unnatural deaths. In a series of human rights and social disasters, created by the CCP, people died unnatural deaths. There were some who died directly under military repression, and there were some who even died from torture. The CCP is a group of anti-human gangsters.

The second is that after Xi Jinping came to power, he implemented a global expansion of communist totalitarianism. It's already constituted a threat to the whole of human society, a serious threat to the free, democratic way of life. He is a direct threat to the world's peace and human security.

The third is Falun Gong. The CCP’s suppression of Falun Gong is in the 21st century, one of the worst human rights disasters of all time. including the CCP's new round of suppression of Falun Gong overseas - especially the lawfare against Falun Gong and the public opinion warfare.

Some of the media in our free democratic societies, to our astonishment, have been reduced to a tool of the CCP tyranny by smearing, attacking and suppressing Falun Gong. They're also trying to use the judicial processes in a democratic country to further persecute Falun Gong. So, this is something that the international community needs to be very vigilant about.

We must see this basic fact, which is, the media that Falun Gong practitioners operate now, and the various kinds of cultural endeavours they work on, including Shen Yun Performing Arts, are not media in the usual sense, nor are they cultural events in the usual sense. They're an integral part of a great human rights movement in the 21st century whereby mankind is fighting for freedom and democracy, fighting against the tyranny of the CCP and its bloody persecution. And that's why Falun Gong's overseas media and their cultural organisations have caused the outrage of Xi Jinping and the CCP tyranny. I hope that through our revelation of the conspiracy of the CCP tyranny, we can make the international community more aware of the fact that the existence of the CCP is a direct threat to the cause of freedom and democracy for the whole of mankind.

Q&A WITH PROFESSOR YUAN

In regards to influencing the media overseas, how would the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) likely do this?

I think the CCP mainly relies on using money to bribe some of the key figures in the media such as editors-in-chief, reporters, famous journalists etc. To infiltrate the overseas media, the CCP set aside an amount of money which they call the Overseas United Front [United Front Work Department] funds. This money is specifically used to pay key people in various places overseas. So, for this extent of media infiltration - the public opinion warfare - it's all about buying and bribing these key editors and reporters and the senior management of the media outlet to achieve their goals.

I think that there are some people who might think that there are some journalists or editors who don't really know what's going on in China and that's why they helped the CCP spread some untruthful information. But in my opinion, all these people who spread untrue information are not the result of public opinion manipulation, but the result of being bought by the CCP tyranny.

What is your opinion, from a legal point of view, of what Falun Gong is?

From a legal point of view, in the era of Aristotle, as early as the time of Ancient Greece, the philosopher Aristotle made a distinction between law - good law and bad law. Good law is what's needed. It's the law of kindness. Good law is what needs to be obeyed. Bad law is not binding. It should not be legally binding on a person. We know the CCP, the law under the CCP is a tyrannical, bad law. The purpose of the CCP's law is to protect the tyrannical rule of the CCP and to deprive people of their freedom of belief. And across China, which is on the East Asian continent, it's basically this modern-day Bastille style of rule, a dictatorship under the draconian laws of the CCP.

So, Falun Gong's contribution to this whole Chinese society, in the first place, is through their activities of faith - to tell powerfully to the Chinese people, about the freedom of thought and freedom of spirit. This freedom of belief is one of the most basic human rights for a human being. Falun Gong has been suppressed by the CCP precisely due to defending these basic human rights. So what I see is that Falun Gong's greatest contribution to the destiny of China is that it not only advocates freedom of belief, what's more, in the CCP's whole period of more than 70 years of ruling China, they are the only ones who could persist. Even though the

CCP uses all the State's capacity, they have not been able to eliminate them. They are such a team of believers. They have set an example for the Chinese people to stand up to the tyranny of the Chinese Communist Party. This is a great example of the pursuit of freedom of belief. It seems to me that this is Falun Gong's most important contribution.

What is your legal opinion on whether Falun Gong is a "cult" or not?

In China, under the tyrannical rule of the Chinese Communist Party, the so-called religions that can exist in China now, have basically all been reduced to spiritual slaves of the CCP. All religions are under the rule of the CCP. They have basically been reduced to spiritual slaves of the CCP's tyranny. Those religions, all of them, have been mutated into tools to rule the Chinese people by the CCP. Tools for spiritual rule.

Everyone knows that now there are some really ridiculous phenomena. In a Buddhist temple, they must enshrine and hang the portrait of President Xi Jinping. Whether it's the Christianity bred by the CCP's tyranny, or Catholicism, or Islam, or Buddhism, in fact, they've all been reduced to become tools of the CCP to rule the people. Under the tyrannical rule of the CCP, true religions cannot exist.

Yet in such a harsh state of affairs, Falun Gong emerged all of a sudden and developed rapidly. What's the reason? The reason is that the ideas of freedom of belief and freedom of spirituality advocated by Falun Gong gained general support by the Chinese people. In China, it is exactly for this reason, for the reason that Falun Gong insists on the idea of freedom of belief. Therefore, Falun Gong has not yielded to the oppression by the tyranny of the Chinese Communist Party. Thus, the CCP uses all of its state propaganda organisations, not only to suppress and destroy Falun Gong from the organisational level, but also to try to destroy Falun Gong mentally. That's why those who named Falun Gong an 'evil cult' were not others, but firstly the propaganda machine that maintains the rule of the CCP. So, in that sense, it is the Chinese Communist Party that is an evil cult, while Falun Gong is an advocate and supporter, an advocate and defender of freedom of belief.

Would you like to state whether or not you practice Falun Gong yourself?

I am not a Falun Gong practitioner. I support Falun Gong's movement for freedom of belief. About twenty years ago, I wrote an article about this. It's called '*In Defence of Falun Gong'*. Because at that time Falun Gong was subjected to a series of

attacks from scholars bought by the Chinese Communist Party. And in my article, I've made my point very clear. The persecution of Falun Gong is one of the worst human rights catastrophes of the 21st century. In the face of such a catastrophic human rights disaster, human rights catastrophe, anyone with a conscience must come forward to expose the reasons for the persecution of Falun Gong by the CCP, and the cruel truth.

What's more, as for the reason why I am supportive of Falun Gong, another reason is that the CCP tyranny uses the energy of almost the entire nation to destroy a community group of faith, yet the CCP tyranny has failed. The ongoing growth of Falun Gong proves the failure of the Chinese Communist Party's tyranny. And the fundamental reason why Falun Gong practitioners remain standing when facing such terrible persecution by the CCP, which is also the reason why I'm so moved, is that they are the ones who have the unyielding spirit for devoting themselves to the freedom of belief. I have witnessed the Falun Gong founded media with my own eyes, how they came to be and developed through a long time of selfless dedication by Falun Gong practitioners. So, from this point of view, to support Falun Gong's cause, to defend freedom of belief, is to support China's hope for a future of freedom and democratisation.

PROFESSOR YUAN'S STATEMENT ABOUT HIS CONTACTS IN CHINA

I studied and taught at Peking University for almost 16 years. I was the director of the teaching and research section of litigation at the Law Department of Peking University. There was no director, I was in charge. During my time at Peking University, I taught about 600 undergraduates. After the June 4th Movement in 1989, as I supported the June 4th student's democratic movement, I was suppressed by the CCP. Later I was demoted and sent to Guizhou. In Guizhou, I was teaching at the Guizhou Normal University. I taught for ten years at the Guizhou Normal University. I was the Founding Dean of the Guizhou Normal University Law School. I was also a member of the Academic Committee of Guizhou Normal University, and a Graduate Instructor. While at Guizhou Normal University, I taught nearly 1,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

During my tenure at Peking University, I was the main teacher for the Senior Prosecutor's Training and Legal Training Programme, as well as for the Senior Judge's Legal Training Programme. In addition, while I was teaching at Peking University, the Law Department of Peking University and the Headquarters of the

Armed Police Forces of China organised a joint education programme, to offer legal training for officers of the Armed Police Force. I was still the main teacher and textbook writer for the courses of Criminal Procedure and the Chinese judicial system. There were a few thousand adult education students in the above programmes that I taught directly and counselled directly.

Regarding both the students that I taught as undergraduates, and those in adult education, many now work in the CCP's public security organs, procuratorial organs, people's courts, Ministry of National Security, Political and Legal Affairs Commission, and other related departments.

In addition, many of my classmates during my studies at Peking University Law Department are now working in the CCP system, in very important official positions. For example, Shi Taifeng, the current head of the CCP's United Front Work Department; former deputy minister of the Ministry of Public Security, who has been purged, Meng Hongwei;Huang Ermei, the retired Vice President of the Supreme Court of Communist China; Xi Xiaoming, Vice President of the Supreme Court, who has been purged; and Bo Xilai's wife who was my classmate. Bo Xilai, everyone knows about him. He was purged by the CCP and so on. There are a lot more. These were my classmates at Peking University Law Department, all of them are in high-ranking positions in the government and party departments of the CCP.

The vast majority of my students are in the CCP government system, in senior or key positions. In addition, while at Peking University, I also developed very close connections with some alumni. For example, Li Shulei, who is the current head of the Publicity Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China; the former vice premier of the CCP, Hu Chunhua; the current vice chairman of the Communist Party of China's CPPCC which is affiliated with the CCP's United Front Work Department; and of course, Bo Xilai's sister, Bo Xiaoying. She was one of my colleagues at Peking University. Bo Xiaoying taught in the History Department and I taught in the Law Department but we had some academic connections. There are many other people like these, so I won't list them.

The reason I mention these people is for the audience who listen to our information to be able to understand that I have many friends, acquaintances and classmates who are now within the Chinese Communist system. Of course, that doesn't mean that the information I've disclosed came from these specific people.

In addition, when I was studying and teaching at Peking University, I worked with many members of the Second-Generation Reds, including Deng Pufang (the eldest son of former Chinese paramount leader Deng Xiaoping). I have numerous contacts. I also have very close ties with libertarian intellectuals within the CCP system, for

example, Zhu Houze, the then head of the Publicity Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China; Qin Chuan, the director of the People's Daily; [Deputy] Editor-in-Chief Wang Ruoshui; the famous Chinese artist Wu Zuguang; Mao Zedong's secretary, Mr. Li Rui; and the famous liberal intellectual Zheng Zhongbin, Zhang Xianyang, and so on. I won't go on listing people like these.

My interactions with members of the Red Second-generation families of the CCP, and interactions with these famous libertarian intellectuals in the CCP system were mentioned in this book that I wrote. In this autobiographical work of mine, I've got a certain amount of information about it. Not all of them of course.

Regarding what I've described above, there is only one purpose. It's to make sure that those of you who pay attention to this information could understand that I have many channels from within the CCP system to receive important information. Especially, since Xi Jinping has been leading the CCP for 12 years, the series of retrograde actions that he has done has caused these officials within the Chinese communist system to be angry and dissatisfied. For this reason, there are a lot of people who are willing to pass on information from the CCP system to the international community. Hopefully, it will facilitate the dismantling of Xi Jinping's personal dictatorship soon. This is their psychological motivation to send out some information.