

Persecution of members of the Church of Almighty God in China

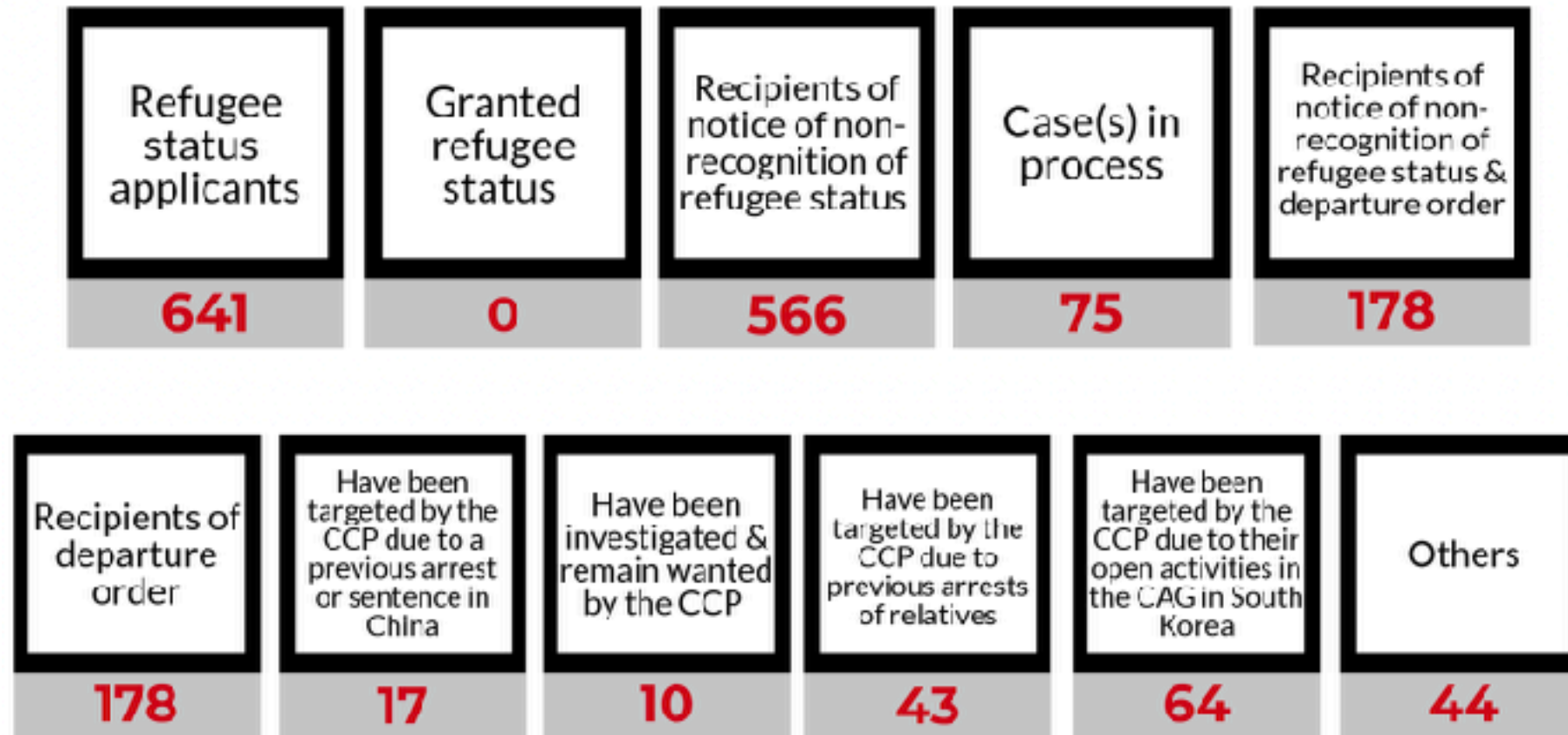
Behind the statistics: Stories from China

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CAG members in South Korea

South Korea, as of 14 January 2018:



The case of Li Qiang

Timeline:

- ▶ In December 2012, Li Qiang is arrested and detained for fifteen days for ‘illegal preaching’ and ‘disturbing social order’.
- ▶ 15th July 2017, Li Qiang is arrested and taken to the Xi County Public Security Bureau.
- ▶ On 18th July 2017, Li Qiang was escorted back home by police officers.
- ▶ On 23rd July 2017, Li Qiang is approached and chased by officers.
- ▶ On 27th July 2017, Li Qiang’s uncle finds him in an unusual mental state.
- ▶ On 5th August 2017, Li Qiang was found dead.

The case of Bai Rongguang & Zeng Yu

Timeline:

- ▶ December 2012 - December 2016 : Bai Rongguang is tortured while in detention for not signing the 'three statements'
- ▶ December 2012 - Winter 2015: Zeng Yu is tortured in detention for not signing the 'three statements' and for expressing his faith
- ▶ 'Three statements'
 - ▶ Confession
 - ▶ Repentance
 - ▶ Declaration of breaking off ties

The case of Yang Jun & Li Mei

Timeline:

- ▶ On 24th October 2016, at approximately 10:00, Yang Jung and his wife, Li Mei, are arrested.
- ▶ On 24th October 2016, at approximately 18:00, officers take Yang Jung and Li Mei are taken to a clandestine location.
- ▶ On 2nd November 2016, officers take Li Mei to the doctor, who recommends that she be hospitalized.
- ▶ On 3rd November 2016, officers release Yang Jun and Li Mei.
- ▶ February 2017, the couple reports that their physical injuries have fully healed.

Developing trends in treatment

- ▶ Church of Almighty God members are arrested in vast numbers
- ▶ Their charges, if any are even announced, are usually along the lines of 'endangering social stability' or 'subverting the government'
- ▶ Those detained may be subject to extreme forms of torture, including:
 - ▶ Forced drugging/intoxication
 - ▶ Violent interrogations regarding the Church and/or other members of the church
 - ▶ Severe beatings
 - ▶ Forced confessions
 - ▶ Sleep deprivation
 - ▶ The use of 'torture racks' in which the individual has to sit on a sharp surface
 - ▶ Brainwashing programmes
- ▶ Forced renouncement of faith
- ▶ No internal investigation regarding allegations of torture against officers

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