

China's Reform Narrative on Transplant Abuse: Does It Stand Up to Scrutiny?

The evidence of continued transplant abuse since 2015

ONLINE SEMINAR and Q&A

Tue 20th February, 2018
3pm - 4pm (EST)

Please join us for an online seminar examining the reform narrative, the evidence, and the implications for human rights in China.

Join Guest Speakers:

Louisa Greve - "The CCP's Reform Narrative"

Matthew Robertson - "The Evidence"

Prof Wendy Rogers - "The Ethics"

David Matas - "The Response"

(Speaker bios below)

China's Reform Narrative

- Three years ago, China's former Vice-Minister of Health Huang Jiefu announced that starting on January 1, 2015, "all the organs needed in transplants will come solely from voluntary donations," as reported in a [China Daily](#) article headlined, "China to scrap organ harvesting from executed prisoners."
- In February 2017, the state-owned [Global Times](#) declared that "China, once an organ transplant pariah, is now accepted as global leader after reform, papal recognition."
- In August 2017, Chinese state media again highlighted international praise for reforms in headlines like "China's organ transplantation reform hailed by international community" ([CGTN](#)) and "Experts hail China's progress on organ donation at Int'l conference" ([ChinaPlus.cn](#)).

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In the U.S. or Europe, you have to be dead first in order to be an organ donor. In China, they make you dead.

Dr. Arthur Caplan, leading U.S. ethicist and Founding Director of the Division of Medical Ethics at NYU, "Hard To Believe" Documentary, 2015.



The European Parliament expresses its deep concern over the persistent and credible reports of systematic, state-sanctioned organ harvesting from non-consenting prisoners of conscience in the People's Republic of China.

European Parliament Resolution, 2013



The U.S. House of Representatives calls on the Government of the People's Republic of China and Communist Party of China to immediately end the practice of organ harvesting from all prisoners of conscience

H.Res. 343, 2016



LOUISA GREVE

Louisa Greve has worked on human rights for over three decades. She was Vice President for Asia, Middle East & North Africa, and Global Programs at the National Endowment for Democracy from 2009 to 2017, where she oversaw over \$60 million annually in grants for human rights and democracy activists in 40-some countries. While serving previously as Director for East Asia, Senior Program Officer, and Program Officer, she led NED's small-grants program for East Asia as it grew from \$1.5 million to \$8 million in annual support, and developed new programs for North Korea, Mongolia, Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam, and China, including support for Tibetan and Uyghur human rights. Ms. Greve served on the Board of Directors of Amnesty International USA from 1993 to 1998, and was co-chair of Amnesty's China & Tibet Coordination Group from 1990 to 1999. She has served on the Virginia State Advisory Committee of the

U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the Board of Trustees of Telluride Association. She has testified before Congressional committees and commissions on human rights in China and democracy promotion in Asia, and is the author of "China at the Tipping Point? The Troubled Periphery" (Journal of Democracy).



PROF WENDY ROGERS, FRACGP, PhD

Prof. Wendy Rogers is a Professor of Clinical Ethics and Deputy Director of the Macquarie University Research Centre for Agency, Values and Ethics. She has a long-standing interest in the ethics of organ donation and transplantation. While a member of the Australian Health Ethics Committee (2003-2006), she served as deputy chair of the working party responsible for developing the National Health and Medical Research Council's guidelines for organ and tissue donation. She also served on working parties developing national guidance on donation after circulatory death. Her current research interests include organ donation, research ethics, ethics of surgical practice, and overdiagnosis. Wendy's work is widely published in international journals and she is the co-editor of a recent collection on Vulnerability (published by Oxford University Press). Professor Rogers speaks regularly at international conferences and events.



DAVID MATAS

David is an international human rights, refugee and immigration lawyer from Canada. He also holds a position as an adjunct professor in Immigration & Refugee Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba. In addition, Mr. Matas currently acts as Senior Honorary Counsel for B'nai Brith Canada. Mr. Matas was also appointed as a member of the Canadian delegation to the United Nations Conference on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court; the Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research; and the Organization on Security and Cooperation in Europe Conferences on Antisemitism and Intolerance. He received the Manitoba Bar Association Distinguished Service Award in 2008, the Order of Canada in 2009, the Canadian Bar Association National Citizenship and Immigration Section Achievement Award in 2009; and the International Society for Human Rights Swiss Section Human Rights Prize in 2010. Mr. Matas has also authored several publications, including Justice Delayed: Nazi War Criminals in Canada with Susan Charendo, Summerhill Press, 1987.

David is co-author of the 2016 report 'An Update', which meticulously examines the transplant programs of hundreds of hospitals in China, drawing on media reports, official propaganda, medical journals, hospital websites and a vast amount of deleted websites found in archives.



MATTHEW ROBERTSON

Matthew Robertson, based in New York City, is a professional translator, human rights researcher, and consultant. He recently completed a research project on the reforms to China's organ transplantation system with Dr. Jacob Lavee, past president of the Israel Transplantation Society. This research is supported by the Human Rights Law Foundation, where he is a research fellow. Matthew is also an in-house translator and editor at China Change, a non-profit publication that focuses on human rights and civil society in China. Previously he was the China editor at Epoch Times where, in 2013, he was the recipient of the Society of Professional Journalists' Sigma Delta Chi award for excellence in journalism for a series of stories on organ harvesting of prisoners of conscience in China. His investigation into a hospital in the city of Tianjin, "A Hospital Built to Murder," was longlisted in Amnesty International's 2016 Media Awards competition. His writings have been published in ABC's The Drum, Language Log, China Change, the Los Angeles Review of Books, and The BMJ; his translations have been published in The Washington Post, The China Story, and The Globe and Mail.