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Standing Their Ground – Thousands face violent eviction in China: Case updates

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Below are updates on several of the cases highlighted in the report [Index: [ASA 17/001/2012](#)] that Amnesty International is aware of.

Xiaohongmen, Beijing municipality & resident Wu Lihong [report pages 18-19]
Wu Lihong has received compensation.

Most of the Xiaohongmen households have now received compensation but below the true market value. The compensation was not delivered through official channels and the people fear they may be later accused of illegal business activity if they continue to protest.

Most are now living some 5km away from their old homes, making it difficult for them to go to school or work. And, they don't legally own their new homes and cannot for examples sell their flats further.

Several dozen households are still seeking further compensation through courts.

Baihutou village and housing rights activist Xu Kun [report pages 33-34]
Xu Kun is held far away from his family in Litang Prison (several 100km according to the lawyer). He is required to undertake labour in prison.

Ni Yulan & Dong Jiqin [report pages 34-36]
Ni Yulan has recently been moved from Beijing Xicheng district detention centre to Tiangongyuan Transfer Centre in preparation for moving her to a prison.

Dong Jiqin is still held in Beijing Xicheng district detention centre.

Ni Yulan's lawyer visited her last about a month ago in the Xicheng district detention centre. Ni Yulan was allowed to use her wheelchair and had access to basic medical care. She was very thin. Her spirit remains strong and she is determined to continue defending human rights. The couple's daughter is still prevented from visiting them.

Mao Hengfeng [report pages 31-32]
Mao Hengfeng was taken away by men in plain clothes believed to be Shanghai police officers in Beijing on 30 September. She was subsequently taken from Beijing to Shanghai on 2 October and is now detained in the Yangpu district police detention centre.

According to legal documents shown to her family, the decision to detain her was made on 24 September and relates to her participation in a commemorative activity for deceased petitioner Teng Jingdi earlier this year.

However, Amnesty International believes her detention is aimed at preventing her from carrying out campaigning work during the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party scheduled to

convene on 8 November.

For more information please see <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/ASA17/039/2012/en>

Wukan village & the death of Xue Jinbo [report pages 3-4]

Two autopsies have been carried out on Xue Jinbo. The first, undertaken by the local Shanwei public security department concluded that Xue Jinbo died of “sudden cardiac arrest”. Xue Jinbo’s family was informed of the results only orally. They protested, and the authorities agreed to conduct a further autopsy, this time undertaken by a medical examiner from the Zhongshan University. Following the second autopsy, the family was given a short written report which they however say still failed to answer their questions over the cause of his death.

The family were pressured to sign an agreement to close the case and accept 3.8 million yuan “pension” (about USD 600,000).

The question of land sales in Wukan has not been resolved. The local authorities claim that the villagers agreed to the sale of around 2.800 acres of land and that they have given their consent to sell 400 acres more. The villagers dispute this, and question where the profits of this land sale will go.

The death of Wang Cuiyun [report pages 20-21]

In late September a court sentenced the driver of the excavator to six months and his supervisor to one year imprisonment.

Wang Cuiyun’s family is appealing as they believe the sentence is too lenient.

Pizhou city, Jiangsu province [report pages 22-23]

So far, the “thugs” have not returned to pressure the villagers to give up their farmland but the villagers still live in fear that this may happen at any time and without an advance warning.