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Further information on EXTRA 97/95 (ASA 17/59/95, 24 August 1995) and follow-ups (ASA 17/71/95, 26 September and ASA 17/111/95, 14 December) - Death Penalty / Legal concern

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA Wang Jianye

new names: Guo Manpeng
Liang Jianyun

Wang Jianye was executed on 28 December 1995 in Shenzhen, with two other people, Guo Manpeng and Liang Jianyun. The executions took place after the Shenzhen Intermediate People's Court held a public hearing in a stadium where the upheld sentences of Wang Jianye, Guo Manpeng and Liang Jianyun was read. All of them had been convicted for economic crimes. Wang Jianye had appealed against his sentence, but his appeal was dismissed.

The three were then immediately taken to the execution field in a lorry. Footage from the hearing at the stadium was shown on Hong Kong television.

The day before the execution, Wang Jianye is reported to have met with his lawyer for three hours, but his wife, Zhang Ying, was still not allowed to see him. Neither was she officially advised of the execution.

According to reliable sources, the night before his execution, Wang Jianye attempted suicide by cutting his neck with a razor blade, but he was revived overnight in order to be executed the following day. This information seems to be confirmed by a photograph of him going to the execution field, which shows him wearing a bandage on his neck.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/airmail letters in English / Chinese or in your own language:

- expressing dismay at the recent execution of Wang Jianye, Guo Manpeng and Liang Jianyun;
- protest at the continued use and scope of the death penalty in China, reiterating concern about its use for economic and non violent crimes.

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