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Attention of Mr Mike Lavelle Jones
President
Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh

Dear Sir

Re: Professor Huang Jiefu

We are contacting your office regarding increasing concern surrounding Professor Huang Jiefu and his fellowship with the *Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh*.

As reflected by the media and internet attention this individual's record and links with China's regime has attracted, this is a matter of considerable unease to people around the word. In that regard we shall be publishing this as an open letter to you, so as best to share our position with our international subscribers and supporters. We are happy to feature a rejoinder should you wish.

It would be a natural and just response to support your colleague, who faces intense scrutiny and criticism due to his linkage with China's forced extraction of organs from both political and other prisoners. In defending Professor Huang we have noted the medical community has displayed a worrying credulity towards the assurances and official comments of the Communist Party Of China, of which your fellow is a card carrying member. As a highly draconian and totalitarian regime you must surely be aware that China's authorities operate upon a very different set of values to that cherished and exercised by more liberal and democratic governments such as that of Scotland.

No doubt you will know there are number of deeply disturbing issues relating to China, the suppression of basic freedoms and gross violation of human rights. That is a matter of documented record. Included of course within that dark litany of abuse is systemic censorship and the manipulation of information, as ever the tyrant conceals, obfuscates, dilutes, fabricates and distracts to best cover the odious excesses of his tyranny.

That China's regime is economical with the truth is an understatement off any known scale, we only have to recall its denials regarding the massacre of Tienanmen Square in 1989 to appreciate the degree to which it will lie on issues of sensitivity. More recently companies such as *Google* and governments too are facing a flood of cyber-attacks, clearly emanating from China, yet denied with calm assurance by the Chinese authorities. Then of course we have the deeply troubling situation in Tibet, which China explains away as a politically motivated myth, insisting that Tibetans are a contented and prosperous 'ethnic minority' under the tender rule of the 'Motherland. The calumny of the imperialist.

Given such a record it is particularly difficult to understand how the *Royal College Of Surgeons Edinburgh*, with its principles of human rights, democratic values and free speech, seemingly disregards the harrowing facts on forced extraction of organs from prisoners in China, Tibet and East Turkistan in favor of accepting the well oiled assurances of the Chinese regime that measures have been taken to introduce 'voluntary' organ 'donations'.Not since Leni Riefenstahl lovingly fashioned her propaganda celebrations of Nazi-Germany, or the film board of apartheid South Africa encouraged documentaries of the supposedly contented black populations of the townships, have we witnessed such a calculated machinery of deception as that operated by the Chinese authorities.

However, on noting Huang Jiefu's continuing fellowship at the *Royal College Of Surgeons Edinburgh*, and the support he has received from some surgeons, it seems his claims and denials are being accepted without a scintilla of skepticism. Thankfully others are less willing to believe the dubious assurances offered by Professor Huang relating to the issue of organ harvesting from individuals executed by the Chinese state. Indeed in August 2015 the *University of Sydney* chose not to renew his fellowship of that respected institution.

Whatever the academic achievements or assertions made by Professor Huang Jiefu he remains an official within the world's most repressive and censorial regime, furthermore he is closely associated with a program that has been rightly criticized and opposed for abusing human and medical rights. As to the excuse often promoted *that he is involved in 'reform' within China*, we imagine you will find it challenging to identify a genuinely independent monitoring body that is evaluating the reality of such supposed advancements?

Meanwhile as reported by the New York Times the assertions made by Professor Huang that

"From Jan. 1, 2015, we will completely stop using death row prisoners' organs as a transplant source. The only source will be organs from dead citizens who have voluntarily donated." New York Times November 16, 2015 (Emphasis Added)

However in the following twelve months the *New York Times* noted that under the new regime of supposedly not using organs from executed political or criminal prisoners, China's organ supply showed no decrease!

.."organs from prisoners, including those on death row, can still be used for transplants in China, with the full backing of policy makers, according to Chinese news reports, as well as doctors and medical researchers in China and abroad. "They just reclassified prisoners as citizens," said Huige Li, a Chinese-born doctor at the University of Mainz in Germany. New York Times November 16, 2015

There remain serious questions surrounding Professor Huang Jiefu and many people, including our own global supporters, activists and friends are troubled that the *Royal College Of Surgeons Edinburgh* is associating itself with this individual. We appeal to you therefore to urgently review this matter and ask if the commitment to ethics and human rights, which your college honors, is best served by having as a fellow someone so closely and worryingly associated with a regime that permits such sickening medical atrocities.

An Open Appeal Issued By Tibettruth