KOREAN CHURCH COALITION

"Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics & "50 states Resolution" campaigns

On behalf of the 3000 plus Korean American Pastors, who make up the Korean Church Coalition (KCC) in the United States and abroad, I would like to extend our warmest greetings to you, in the name of our Lord.

KCC was formed in 2004 as a non-partisan and non-denominational Christian organization. Our main purpose is to bring an end to the sufferings endured by our brothers and sisters in North Korea, as well as China and other parts of the world, through non-violent means. Already, by grace of God, over three thousand KCC pastors and their churches, representing millions of their congregation members, have joined KCC in this effort.

On September 27, 2004, KCC held its first inaugural conference at the LAX Hilton, which was attended by over 2000 Korean American Pastors. Since February 2005, regional churches of the KCC have been hosting prayer vigils throughout the United States, Canada, and abroad, which was attended by hundreds of thousands of Koreans. Currently, KCC now has representative pastors located in every major city and state in the United States.

Since that inaugural event in 2004, one message came through with a consistent and moral clarity, from the prayers of hundreds of thousands of Koreans in the United States and around the world: "Let the North Koreans go Free".

Now, the timing has come for KCC to announce the formation of its subsidiary, the JERICHO INSTITUTE", which will be launching its aggressive "Let My People Go" banner and "50 States Resolution" campaigns.

The "Let My People Go 2008" banner campaign will seek cooperation from Religious and non religious groups, who share in our cause to seek freedom for the 300,000 North Korean Refugees currently residing in China. The key words for this Campaign are "LET MY PEOPLE GO" and "FREE NORTH KOREAN REFUGEES IN CHINA BEFORE THE 2008 OLYMPICS".

The "50 states resolution" simply states "CHINA, Grant Refugee Status to the North Korean Refugees Who Are Within Your Borders", and "Allow Them to Leave Freely to Any Country of Their Choice", willing and able to take them in.

Jericho Institute's "Banner and Resolution KICK OFF" rally will be held at the West Lawn of the US Capital on July 17, 2007, at 12:00 Noon, followed by a Prayer Vigil at 7:00 PM at Pilgrim Church in Burke, Virginia. This will be followed by the two additional rallies in Tokyo, Japan on August 13, 2007 and in Seoul, Korea on August 15, 2007. KCC and the JERICHO INSTITUTE will not stop praying, nor rest, until Freedom for all North Koreans Refugees is won, wherever they may be.

Additional information may be gathered by visiting or **LETMYPEOPLEGO2008.COM** or **KCCNK.ORG** or by e mailing Sam Kim at **skim@kccnk.org**.

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"Who We Are"
Korean Church Coalition (KCC)

KCC was formed in 2004 as a non-partisan and non-denominational Christian organization to bring an end to the sufferings endured by our brothers and sisters in North Korea, as well as China and other parts of the world, through non-violent means. By grace of God, in North America, more than three thousand Korean pastors, representing millions of Korean Christians, have joined KCC.

Since February of 2005, regional churches of the KCC located throughout the United States have been hosting prayer vigils throughout the United States, Canada and the world. The Los Angeles Wailing Prayer Vigil held on November 27, 2005 at the LAX Convention Center was attended by 12,000, while the Seoul Wailing Prayer Vigil was attended by 20,000 attendees, and are considered to be the largest single gatherings for North Korean Human Rights.

KCC thanks President George Bush, Senator Sam Brownback, Congressman Ed Royce, US North Korean Special Envoy Jay Lefkowitz, Dr. Richard Land, Richard Cizik, Michael Horowitz, Ms. Debra Fikes, Ms. Suzanne Scholte and the many others who have played a part in past KCC events.

KCC currently has representative strongholds in every state and major city in the United States, and KCC will continue with the Prayer Vigils to additional regions throughout the United States, all major provinces of South Korea, South America, Guatemala, Brazil, Australia, Europe, New Zealand and Japan.

The main purpose of these Prayer Vigils was to pray for the people of North Korea, and tell the world about the sufferings endured by our blood related North Koreans, who through no fault of their own, suffer from the repressive North Korean regime, as well as bring awareness to the local communities the types of brutality, torture, slavery, as well as other non-humane conditions, which are part of their daily lives.

KCC will continue to speak even louder, pray even harder on behalf of our fellow brothers and sisters who cannot speak out on their own, wherever they may be, and will not leave or rest until Freedom and Protection is finally won for all. With God on our side, we will not fail.

Mission

1. Our Aim is to promote cooperation and unity between Korean American Churches and other Korean Churches throughout the world so that we can coordinate in joint effort to protect the human rights of the North Korean People wherever they may be.

2. In the midst of Anti-American and Pro-North Korean sentiments by many South Koreans, KCC's 1st and 2nd generation Korean Americans will strive to work with our South Korean counterparts to maintain friendly relations with the American mainstream.

3. The time has come to save our people from starvation and other horrific atrocities and to rescue the Christians in North Korea from persecution, and it is the goal of KCC to continue the torchlight of prayer, the "Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics banner campaign, and the 50 states resolution campaign, just as Nehemiah did to save his people and nation, until Freedom for out North Korean counterparts is finally won.

In 2007, KCC has launched the JERICHO INSTITUTE project, which will carry out the above mission of KCC through the "Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics and the "50 states Resolution Campaign".

KCC and the JERICHO INSTITUTE will not stop praying nor rest, until Freedom for all North Korean Refugees is won, wherever they may be.

"Let My People Go"
Banner Campaign

For anyone who has been praying for freedom in North Korea and for quick release of refugees in China, the progress has been slow. Only about 30 refugees have come to the US since the passage of North Korea Human Rights Act of 2004, the North Korea-China border has been fortified, making it very difficult for North Koreans to flee the country, and North Korean women and girls are still being sold into sex slavery. To make matters worse, there is still very little interest by the public, no mention of human rights violation in high level talks with North Korea, and no public pressure for China to recognize North Koreans within its borders as refugees and to stop sending them back to North Korea for a certain death in one of its many gulags.

When Nehemiah heard about the distressing situation of his own people, he not only wept, fasted and prayed, he also took concrete action to solve the problem. Like Nehemiah, we must pray and take action.

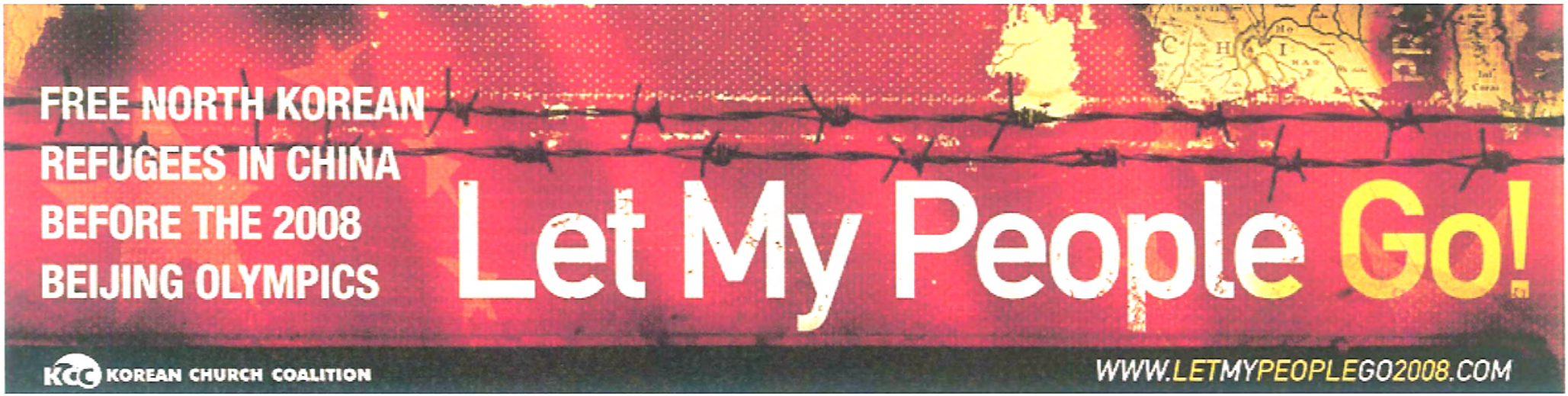
During the 1960s, the government of the former Soviet Union severely restricted the emigration of Soviet Jews. Jewish Americans launched a successful banner campaign called "Let My People Go," culminating in the passage of Jackson-Vanik amendment to the 1974 Trade Act. This amendment would deny normal trade relations with the Soviet Union if it continued to restrict emigration rights. The decades-long campaign eventually resulted in the release of a million Soviet Jews to Israel and 500,000 to the US.

Korean Church Coalition (KCC) and Jericho Institute are launching a similar banner campaign to demand the release of North Korean refugees from China. The banner campaign will also demand that the Chinese government put a stop to the human trafficking and repatriation of North Korean refugees.

In the months leading up to the 2008 Beijing Olympics, the banners will be displayed by a coalition of churches, synagogues and human rights organizations. The banners are intended to raise public awareness and to demand that the Chinese government recognize the refugee status of North Koreans within its borders.

In confronting human rights crisis like the genocide in Darfur, Elie Wiesel said, "We must scream and shout...to remain silent and indifferent is the greatest sin of all." Whenever we face human oppression and suffering, we must not remain silent. Join us and become a voice of love, faith, and hope.

KCC and the Jericho Institute will not stop praying nor rest until Freedom for all North Korean Refugees is won, wherever they may be.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"LET MY PEOPLE GO"

50 STATES RESOLUTION CAMPAIGN

JERICHO INSTITUTE, A subsidiary of the KOREAN CHURCH COALITION (KCC) has launched the, "Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics "RESOLUTION" campaign. The given "RESOLUTION" is intended to bring awareness to all 50 States in the United States and the world the current human rights violations by the Government of China towards the North Korean Refugees who are within their borders.

Currently, North Korean Refugees who reside in China are classified as "Illegal Economic Migrants", and are treated as criminals, and jailed if captured. They are repatriated back to North Korea, where they are sent to one of the fourteen Gulags, where they are beaten, tortured, starved, and even murdered. The Chinese authorities watch as the young female NK refugees within China are kidnapped by the Chinese traffickers, and sold as sex slaves, many on multiple occasions. Many of these women bear children, who are abandoned.

The KCC RESOLUTION demands that the Chinese Government recognize the fundamental human rights of the North Korean Refugees within its borders, grant them "Refugee Status" and provide them with at least the minimum protection of the laws, in accordance to Geneva July 28, 1951 United Nations Convention and the Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, adopted October 4, 1967. The KCC RESOLUTION further urges that the NK Refugees within China's borders safely be permitted to leave into a third country that will accept them.

Finally, the RESOLUTION demands certain other safeguards aimed towards safeguarding the human rights of the North Korean Refugees in China. It demands that China cooperate with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees so that UNHCR be granted access to the border area for monitoring. Lastly, the RESOLUTION calls for unification among all Americans, regardless of race and religion, to make a coordinated effort in gaining support for this cause and finally safeguard the liberty and freedom for the North Korean Refugees in China.

KCC and the JERICHO INSTITUTE will not stop praying nor rest until Freedom for all North Korean Refugees is won, wherever they may be.

LET MY PEOPLE GO" Before 2008 Beijing Olympics
50 STATES RESOLUTION OF KCC

"The Korean American Church Coalition, through the 50 States "Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics 50 states resolution campaign, shall bring awareness to all 50 States in the United States and the World, the current human rights violations by the Government of China towards the North Korean Refugees who are within their borders"

Whereas the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) is a dictatorial regime that is responsible for gross and deliberate human rights violations against its own people;

Whereas the Government of North Korea attempts to have absolute control over the lives of its people and the flow of information to and from them by restricting access to and from its borders through the use of deplorable systems of punishment and torture;

Whereas the Government of North Korea engages in the systematic torture, unlawful detainment, and mass murder of tens of thousands of political prisoners, defectors, and refugees with the world's most brutal concentration camp system;

Whereas the Government of North Korea engages in the systematic mass murder of unknown numbers of infants born with physical deformalities (North Korea does not have a record of deformed births because they are murdered at birth),

Whereas provisions of the North Korean Human Rights Act calling for the admission of North Korean refugees to the United States have been significantly ignored;

Whereas the lack of freedom, government persecution, and policies of selective starvation have driven an estimated 300,000 North Koreans to northeast China, fleeing or their lives from prison camps or political persecution;

Whereas the Government of the People's Republic of China refuses to grant "Refugee Status" to the hundreds of thousands of North Korean Refugees within their borders but classifys them as "Economic Migrants";

Whereas the Government of the People's Republic of China unlawfully repatriates North Korean refugees and illegally imprisons foreign aid workers who try to help North Korean refugees inside China;

Whereas 90 percent of North Korean women with no legal protection fall prey to traffickers in China who sell them into sexual slavery, either as brides, concubines, or prostitutes, where they are raped and abused at will, many of them on multiple occasions;

Whereas the Government of the People's Republic of China violates its obligations under the 1951 United Nations Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees by impeding access to the United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and continually classifying North Korean refugees as "economic migrants," denying them asylum, and forcibly returning them to North Korea without review to which they are entitled;

Whereas the UNHCR has failed to robustly press the government of China to grant it access to North Korean refugees and has failed to initiate a binding arbitration proceeding against the government of China pursuant to the terms of Article XIV of the December 1, 1995 UNHCR-PRC treaty governing refugee access and the refugee designation process;

Whereas the UNHCR's failure to bring such an arbitration proceeding was determined by the United States Congress to constitute a "*a significant abdication by the UNHCR of one of its core responsibilities*;"

Whereas refugees returned to North Korea by the Government of the People's Republic of China face imprisonment, brutal persecution or execution;

Whereas the failure of People's Republic of China to abide by its treaty obligations toward the United Nations is a critical means by which the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea subjects the people of North Korea to persecution and effectively imprisons them within its borders;

Whereas it is estimated that one out of four Korean Americans grievously live with the burden of knowing that their loved ones are still trapped in North Korea and are impacted by savagery committed against them since the conclusion of the Korean War;

Whereas it is the hope and dream of Americans including those of Korean descent to see that freedom and liberty comes to the people of North Korea;

BE IT RESOLVED, thatwith implacable and prayerful determination to utilize every democratic means of recourse available to us as citizens and residents of our blessed democracy , the Korean-American community living within the United States calls on its government to take the following steps:

A) With regard to the government of the People's Republic of China, insist and ensure, through negotiation and all available policy actions, that it —

(1) Provides North Korean refugees in China with humanitarian and legal assistance;
(2) Grants the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees unfettered access to such refugees to determine their status and the degree of assistance to which they are entitled;
(3) Grants North Korean refugees in China the right to freely leave China into any Country of their choice, that will accept them; ***and, failing to achieve the above through discussions and negotiations***,

B) With regard to the United Nations, insist and ensure, through negotiation and all available policy actions, that it

(1) Speaks out through its Secretary General, publicly and regularly, about the oppression of the North Korean people living within the DPRK;
(2) Insists, publicly and robustly, that the Government of the People's Republic of China strictly comply with its treaty obligations towards the North Korean refugees including without being limited to granting the UNHCR free and complete access to the refugees; ***and, failing to achieve the above through discussions and negotiations***;
(3) Ensure the initiation of a binding, Article XIV arbitration proceeding towards the Government of the People's Republic of China; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the undersigned and the Korean-American community, acting with implacable and prayerful determination through our religious, fraternal and civic organizations, and as individuals, all privileged to live within a blessed democracy,

(1) Will not rest in making a coordinated effort to gain the support of our fellow Americans, and their and our elected representatives, to join our call for action – precisely as American Jews and African-Americans did in seeking ***and gaining*** historic relief for their brothers and sisters in the former Soviet Union and former South African apartheid regime; and that
(2) This effort shall be called the Let My People Go Campaign to which we intend to pledge our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor.
(3) The Korean American Church Coalition, through the 50 States "Let My People Go" before 2008 Beijing Olympics resolution campaign, shall bring awareness to all 50 States in the United States and the World, the current human rights violations by the Government of China towards the North Korean Refugees who are within their borders.

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Calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to honor the human rights of refugees from North Korea.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BROWNBACK submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on

RESOLUTION

Calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to honor the human rights of refugees from North Korea.

Whereas the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) is a dictatorial regime that is responsible for gross and deliberate human rights violations against its own people and continues to be a threat to its own people;

Whereas the Government of North Korea attempts to have absolute control over the lives of its people and the flow of information to and from them by restricting access to and from its borders through the use of deplorable systems of punishment and torture;

Whereas the Government of North Korea engages in the systematic torture, unlawful detainment, and mass murder of tens of thousands of political prisoners, defectors, and

refugees with the world's most brutal concentration camp system;

Whereas the lack of freedom, government persecution, and policies of selective starvation have driven an estimated 300,000 North Koreans to northeast China, fleeing for their lives from prison camps or political persecution;

Whereas the Government of the People's Republic of China unlawfully repatriates North Korean refugees and illegally imprisons foreign aid workers who try to help North Korean refugees inside China;

Whereas 90 percent of North Korean women refugees with no legal protection fall prey to traffickers in China who sell them into sexual slavery, either as brides, concubines, or prostitutes, where they are raped and abused;

Whereas the Government of the People's Republic of China violates its obligations under the United Nations Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, done at Geneva July 28, 1951, and the Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, adopted October 4, 1967, by impeding access to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and continually classifying North Korean refugees as ''economic migrants'', denying them asylum, and forcibly returning them to North Korea without the review to which they are entitled;

Whereas the UNHCR fails to robustly press the Government of the People's Republic of China to grant the UNHCR access to North Korean refugees and has failed to initiate a binding arbitration proceeding against the government of China pursuant to the terms of Article XIV of the Agreement on the Upgrading of the UNHCR Mission in the People's Republic of China to UNHCR Branch Office

in the People's Republic of China, done at Geneva December 1, 1995, governing refugee access and the refugee designation process;

Whereas the UNHCR's failure to bring such an arbitration proceeding was determined by the United States Congress in the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 to constitute a ''a significant abdication by the UNHCR of one of its core responsibilities'';

Whereas refugees returned to North Korea by the Government of the People's Republic of China face imprisonment, brutal persecution, or execution;

Whereas the failure of People's Republic of China to abide by its treaty obligations toward the United Nations is a critical means by which the Government of North Korea is allowed to subject the people of North Korea to persecution and effectively imprison them within its borders;

Whereas it is estimated that 1 out of 4 Korean Americans grievously lives with the burden of knowing that their loved ones are still trapped in North Korea and have been impacted by savagery committed against them since the conclusion of the Korean War; and

Whereas it is the hope and dream of Americans, including those of Korean descent, to see that freedom and liberty come to the people of North Korea: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) on behalf of the Korean American community living within the United States with implacable and prayerful determination to utilize every democratic means of recourse available, calls on the Fed-

eral Government with regard to the Government of the People's Republic of China, to insist and ensure, through negotiation and all available policy actions, that it—

(A) provide North Korean refugees in China with humanitarian and legal assistance;

(B) grant the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees unfettered access to such refugees to determine their status and the degree of assistance to which they are entitled; and

(C) grant such refugees the right to freely exit China into any country of their choice that will accept them;

(2) honors the efforts of the Korean American community, acting through its religious, fraternal, and civic organizations, and as individuals privileged to live within a blessed democracy, to gain the support of their fellow Americans to join the call for action, precisely as American Jews and African-Americans did in seeking and gaining historic relief for their brothers and sisters in the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and under the former South African apartheid regime, respectively; and