






Religious Prisoners in Vietnam



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Note: Those recently released are in italics.



	<p>1. The Most Venerable Thich Quang Do: b.1928. Residence: He is under “temple” arrest at the Thanh Minh Zen Center, 90 Tran Huy Lieu St., Phu Nhuan District, Ho Chi Minh City. He is a long-time member (currently Patriarch) of the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam (UBCV). In his various capacities within the UBCV leadership, he has steadfastly refused to join the government-created Buddhist Church. He has been alternatively imprisoned, internally exiled, or under house arrest since 1977. He was awarded the Thorolf Rafto Memorial Prize and other prestigious human rights prizes.</p>
	<p>2. <i>Mr. Bui Van Trung: b. 1964. Residence: 277 Phuoc Hoa Village - Phuoc Hung Commune - An Phu District - An Giang Province, is the father of another detainee, Mr. Bui Van Tham. Both are Hoa Hao Buddhists. His sentence is 4 years in prison pursuant to Article 257 of the penal code, hampering government officials who were carrying out their assignments. Arrested on 10/30/2012, he was interned in Prison Z30A, Section 2, in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province. He was released in 2016.</i></p>
	<p>3. <i>Mr. Dang Xuan Dieu: b. 1977. Residence: Nhan Hoa Sub-Parish, Vinh Diocese. A Catholic, his religious activities resulted in his arrest and the sentence is 13 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, plotting to overthrow the government. Arrested on 07/30/2011, he is currently in Nghi Son Prison in Thanh Hoa Province. He suffers from low blood pressure and other ailments. The government has prevented his family from visiting him and supplying him with minimal necessities.</i></p>
	<p>4. Mr. Ho Duc Hoa: b. 1974. Residence: Yen Hoa, Quynh Vinh Commune, Quynh Luu District, Nghe An. He is a Catholic from Vinh Diocese who advocates for religious freedom. His sentence is 13 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, plotting to overthrow the government. Arrested on 7/30/2011, he is currently in Nam Ha Prison in Ha Nam Province.</p>
	<p>5. Mr. Nguyen Cong Chinh: b. 1966. Residence: Vinh Quang, Kon Tum Town. An evangelical pastor serving Montagnard Christians, he was arrested on 4/28/2011. His sentence is 11 years pursuant to Article 87, undermining national solidarity. He is currently in An Phuoc Prison in Phu Giao District, Binh Duong Province. They gave him frequent beatings in prison because he denied that he had committed any crime. The government has been making life very difficult for his family. He is in poor health.</p>

	<p>6. Mr. Pham Ba Thong: b. 1962. Residence: Village 2, Phu Le Commune, Ba Tri District, Ben Tre Province. A Mennonite, he was arrested on 7/18/2010. His sentence is 7 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, plotting to overthrow the government. He is currently in Prison Z30A, Section No. 2, in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province.</p>
	<p>7. Mr. Phan Ngoc Tuan: b. 1953. Residence: Phan Rang- Thap Cham, Ninh Thuan. A Lutheran, he advocates for the return of land that the government had illegally confiscated. Arrested on 08/10/2011, he was sentenced to 5 years in prison and 3 years of probation pursuant to Article 88 of the penal code, spreading propaganda against the socialist government of Vietnam. He is currently in Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria – Vung Tau Province. The government has been causing major difficulties to his family’s livelihood. The impoverished family has difficulty visiting him and bringing him minimal essentials.</p>
	<p>8. Ms. Duong Thi Tron: b. 1947. She is a Hoa Hao Buddhist who advocates for religious freedom. Her sentence is 9 years in prison pursuant to Article 245 of the penal code, disrupting public order. Arrested on 10/02/2006, she was detained in Prison Z30A in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province. She suffers from low blood pressure and other ailments. Her impoverished family has difficulties supplying her with minimal necessities in prison. She was released in 2016.</p>
	<p>9. Rev. Nguyen Van Ly: b. 05/15/1946, in Ba Binh Village, Vinh Chap, Vinh Linh, Quang Tri Province. A Catholic priest in Hue Archdiocese, he formed Block 8406 (in 2006) and led many protests to demand religious freedom and the return of confiscated Church property. Arrested in 2007, his sentence is 8 years in prison pursuant to Article 88 of the penal code, spreading propaganda against the socialist government of Vietnam. He was last in Nam Ha Prison in Ha Nam Province. His health is poor. He was released in 2016.</p>
	<p>10. Mr. Nguyen Van Minh: He is an independent Hoa Hao Buddhist who campaigned for freedom of religion and conscience. He was arrested on February 11, 2014 on charges of “causing public disorder” as he was travelling to visit former prisoner of conscience Nguyen Bac Truyen and his wife. On 08/26/2014, the Dong Thap Provincial People’s Court sentenced him to 2.5 years in prison. He is detained in Dong Thap Province. Both his father-in-law Bui Van Trung and brother-in-law Bui Van Tham had been imprisoned for defending religious freedom. He was released in 2016.</p>
	<p>11. Venerable Thach Thuol: b. 1985. Residence: Vinh Hai Commune, Vinh Chau Town, Soc Trang Province. As the head monk of Ta Set Pagoda, he often spoke out against the government’s mistreatment of Khmer Krom Buddhists who refused to be absorbed into the government-created Vietnam Buddhist Sangha. Venerable Thach Thuol also</p>

	<p>criticized the government for rejecting his multiple requests that his temple be allowed to teach Khmer language to Khmer Krom children. At the order of the government, the Patriotic Monks Association decided to defrock him. As the representative of this association, escorted by the police, came to evict him from his own temple, his followers put up resistance. As he and three other Khmer Krom Buddhists attempted to flee to a safe location, they were arrested on 05/20/2013. On 09/27/2013, he was sentenced to six years of imprisonment on the charge of “fleeing abroad to act against the people’s government”.</p>
	<p>12. Venerable Lieu Ny: b. 1985. Residence: Vinh Hai Commune, Vinh Chau Town, Soc Trang Province. As the deputy head monk of Ta Set Pagoda, he supported Venerable Thach Thuol in advocating for religious freedom for Khmer Krom Buddhists. At the order of the government, the Patriotic Monks Association ordered him to be defrocked and evicted from his temple. As he and three other Khmer Krom attempted to flee to safety, they were arrested on 05/20/2013. On 09/27/2013, he was sentenced to four years of imprisonment on the charge of “fleeing abroad to act against the people’s government”.</p>
	<p>13. <i>Thach Phum Rit: b. 1989. Residence: Vinh Hai Commune, Vinh Chau Town, Soc Trang Province. A Khmer Krom Buddhist, he supported Venerables Thach Thuol and Lieu Ny in defending the religious and cultural rights of Khmer Krom Buddhists. He was arrested on 05/20/2013. On 09/27/2013, he was sentenced to three years of imprisonment on the charge of “fleeing abroad to act against the people’s government”. He was released in 2016.</i></p>
	<p>14. Mr. A Byo: b. 1967. Residence: Bon Ol Btung Hamlet, Quang Tin Commune, Dak R'lap District, Dak Nong Province. An evangelical pastor who had defended his community’s freedom of assembly and freedom of religion over several years, he was arrested on 12/10/2012. After detaining him without a trial until 08/13/2014, they tried him and sentenced him to 4 years in prison pursuant to Article 87. He is currently in Gia Trung Prison, Gia Lai Province.</p>
	<p>15. Mr. A Chi: b. 1964. Residence: Kret Krot Hamlet, H’ra Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. A Chi is a Protestant deacon and lead of the Youth Ministry. The local government prevented him from performing his duties, citing the reason that preaching is forbidden at his village. He protested and refused to comply. As a result, he was summoned to the local police office several times and ultimately was sentenced to 8 years in prison. He was arrested on 10/18/2009 and is currently serving his sentence in An Phuoc Prison in Binh Duong Province.</p>
	<p>16. <i>Mr. A Dân (aka Apunh), preacher of the Southern Baptist Church in Kontum on March 11, 2015 led 11 church members</i></p>


	<p><i>from Kontum Province to a religious training program in Ho Chi Minh City. They just reached nearby Daklak Province when Daklak police stopped them, searched and confiscated their cash and Bibles. Police brought them back to Kontum Province and delivered them to police in that province. A Dân refused to sign a forced confession -- that they were trying to leave the country illegally. The other victims signed under pressure. Police released the others while detaining A Dân. The Kontum People's Court sentenced him to 24 months of imprisonment under the trumped up charge.</i></p>
	<p>17. Mr. A Dao: b. 1981. Residence: Gia Xieng Village, Ro Koi Commune, Sa Thay District, Kontum Province. A pastor of the Montagnard Evangelical Church of Christ, he advocated for religious freedom for his fellow church members in the Central Highlands and elsewhere. In August 2016 he attended a recent conference on Freedom of Religion in SE Asia and the ASEAN Civil Society Conference and ASEAN People's Forum. On 04/28/2017 he was sentenced to 5 years in prison for "helping individuals to escape abroad illegally", a charge he denied. He is detained at Gia Trung Detention Center, Gia Lai Province.</p>
	<p>18. Mr. A Gyun: b. 1980. Residence: Kret Krot Hamlet, Hra Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. A devout Christian, he engaged in religious activities and participated in a demonstration to protest government suppression that led to a "mobile" court (installed in his village) sentencing him to 5 years in prison on 04/26/2016 pursuant to Article 87, undermining national unity. Four other Montagnard Christians were also arrested and sentenced to long prison terms.</p>
	<p>19. Mr. A Quyn: b. 1973. Residence: Ha-mong Katu Hamlet, Ha-mong Commune, Dak Ha District, Kontum Province. He practiced his evangelical faith without government approval. He has been arrested and brought to the local police station for interrogation. The local authorities disrupted group worship sessions involving church members, prohibited future group worships, harassed his family, and brutally tortured him. Arrested on 11-18-2013, he was sentenced to 9 years and 6 months in prison pursuant to Article 87. He is currently in Nam Ha Prison in Ha Nam Province.</p>
	<p>20. Mr. A Tach (Ba Hloi): b. 1959. Residence: Kon Hram Hamlet, Dak Tre Commune, Kon Ray District, Kontum Province. A Catholic preacher, he and many Christians in his village (where he was preaching) protested against the local government for its intervention in the Church's affairs. Fearing this would get out of control, the local government arrested Mr. A Tach on 10/11/2012 and sentenced him to 11 years in prison, followed by 3 years of probation. He is currently detained at Team 23, Sub Division 1 of Prison #5, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>


	<p>21. Mr. A Tik: b. 1952. Residence: Kon H'ram Hamlet, Dak To're Commune, Kon Ray District, Kontum Province. He was arrested and then on 04/26/2016 sentenced to 8 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest in a case involving 4 other Montagnard Christians. He was accused of undermining national unity under Article 87.</p>
	<p>22. Mr. A Yum (Balk): b. 1940. Residence: Hamlet 5, Dac Tre Commune, Kon Ray District, Kontum Province. As a member of the Ba Na ethnic minority group, he had been advocating for religious freedom in the face of government suppression. As a result, he was arrested on 01/06/2012 and sentenced to 8 years in prison pursuant to Article 87.</p>
	<p>23. Mr. Amlinh: b. 1943. Residence: Tuoh Klah Hamlet, Glar Commune, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. He joined other Christians in protesting against the local government's suppression of religious freedom. He was arrested in 2008, sentenced to 8 years in prison, followed by a 3-year probationary period, and detained in Prison #5, Town of Thong Nhat, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province. As a result of being tortured in prison, he suffers from several ailments. Although he has returned home, the probation from traveling outside of his immediate community has prevented him from seeking medical treatment outside of his community. He was released from prison in March 2016.</p>
	<p>24. Mr. Buyk: b. 1952. Residence: Kret Krot Hamlet, Hra Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. As an evangelist of the Kret Krot Evangelical Church, he had been defending his Church's right to freedom of religion. He was requested to go to the local police station for interrogation. There, his interrogators beat him and issued an order forbidding him to engage in religious activities. Arrested on 02/03/2013, he was sentenced to 8 years in prison and incarcerated in Xuan Phuoc Prison, Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>25. Mr. Dieu Bre: b. 1969. Residence: Quang Tin Hamlet, Dak R'lap District, Dak Nong Province. An evangelist of an evangelical church not recognized by the government, he was arrested on 08/14/2013 and sentenced to 4 years and 6 months in prison for his religious activities. He is currently detained in Xuan Phuoc Prison, Dong Xuan District, Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>26. Mr. Dieu Dong: b. 1966. Residence: Bon Blutung Hamlet, Quang Tin Commune, Dak R'lap District, Dak Nong Province. He is a pastor who belongs to an evangelical Church that is not recognized by the local government. Pastor Dieu Dong and his evangelists had been harassed by the local government and police forces that aimed to prevent them from worshipping. He was arrested on 10-12-2013 when he and the Church protested against the local government to demand religious freedom. He was sentenced to 4 years in prison and 3 years of probation. He is currently serving his</p>


	<p>sentence in Xuan Phuoc Prison, Dong Xuan District, Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>27. Mr. Dieu X-Ri: b. 1962. Residence: Dak Ngo Hamlet, Tuy Duc District, Dak Nong Province. A deacon of an evangelical church not recognized by the government, he was sentenced to 2 years in prison and 3 years of probation for his religious activities. He is currently detained in Xuan Phuoc Prison, Dong Xuan District, Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>28. Mr. Dinh Ngo: b. 1987. Residence: Kung Kon Hamlet, An Thanh Commune, Dak Po District, Gia Lai Province. An evangelical pastor since 2011, he joined other members of his ethnic group in a demonstration in Dak Po District to protest against the local government's suppression of religious freedom. Arrested on 04/26/2013, he was sentenced to 7 years and 6 months in prison, and incarcerated in Section #2 of An Phuoc Prison, Binh Duong Province.</p>
	<p>29. Mr. Dinh Ku: b. 1972. Residence: Kuk Kon Hamlet, An Thanh Commune, Dak Po District, Gia Lai Province. A devout Catholic, he stood up and protested against the Gia Lai authorities' policy of suppressing religious freedom. As a result, he was arrested on 04/26/2016 and sentenced to 7 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, undermining national unity, in a case involving 4 other Montagnard Christians. He is currently detained in Prison #5, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>30. Mr. Kpa Binh: b. 1976. Residence: Plei Pang Hamlet, Ea Glai Commune, Chu Se District, Gia Lai Province. An evangelical pastor, he was arrested in 2009 for participating in a demonstration demanding religious freedom because the government had been preventing him from carrying out his pastoral duties. He was sentenced to 9 years in prison pursuant to Article 87.</p>
	<p>31. Mr. Kpa Sinh, b. 1959 of JRai ethnicity. For demanding religious freedom he was sentenced on April 5, 2011 to 8 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code). He is currently detained in Gia Lai Province.</p>
	<p>32. <i>Mr. Ksor Y Dú, born 1963; Ethnicity Ede; sentenced on 15/11/2010 to 6 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for "undermining the unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Phu Yên.</i></p>
	<p>33. Mr. Nhi ((Bả Tiêm): b. 1958. Residence: Tuoh Klah Hamlet, Glar Commune, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. He joined other Christians in protesting against the local government's suppression of religious freedom. He also joined a Montagnard association based in the U.S. He was arrested on 12/22/2008, sentenced to 10 years in prison, and detained in Prison #5, Town of Thong Nhat, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>34. Mr. Noh, b. 1959, a member of a Montagnard association</p>

	based in the USA. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 9/4/2009 to 12 years in prison for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); currently detained in Gia Lai.
	35. Mr. Nuh (Ba Num): b. 1959. Residence: Glar village, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. In 2001, he joined the other Ba Na members of this church to protest the government’s disregard for religious freedom. In reprisal, the police beat the demonstrators brutally. A number of them were injured or even died, and many were arrested. His religious activities resulted in his arrest in 2004. He was sentenced to 12 years in prison. He is currently in Prison #3, Phu Xuan 4, Co Lung Commune, Phu Luong District, Thai Nguyen Province.
	36. Mr. Rah Lan Blom, b. 1976 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 04/05/2011 to 9 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	37. Mr. Rah Lan Mlih, b. 1966 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 04/05/2011 to 9 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	38. Mr. Rmah Hlach, b. 1968 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 01/14/2010 to 12 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	39. Mrs. Rmah Hruth, a Jrai woman. Residence: Nang Hra Village, Ia Hla Commune, Cu Puh District, Gia lai Province. She was arrested in March 2014 and sentenced 5 years in iprison. Rmah H Ruth is a religious acticvist in Gia lai who conducted religious activities for her fellow Montagnard Christians. She is currently imprisoned in T20 - Gia Trung Prison, Gia Lai Province.
	40. Mr. Rmah Hueh, b. 1960 of Jrai ethnicity. Residence: Plei Ksing Village, Ea Pa Commune, Phu Thien District, Gia Lai Province. In 2002 Rmah Hueh participated in protests, demanding religious freedom. Facing imminent arrest, he escaped to Cambodia seeking for asylum from UNHCR. On September 9, 2004 he was arrested by Vietnamese agents in Cambodia and brought back to Vietnam. He continues to be detained in prison after 13 years; it is unclear whether he was tried and sentenced.
	<i>41. Mr. Rmah Klum: b. 1964. Residence: Lop Village, Ya Le Commune, Chu Puh District, Gia Lai Province. A member of the Evangelical Church of Vietnam (Southern Region), he worshipped at home. Police arrested him at his home in October 2016, detained him for 19 days, and tortured him for his religious activities.</i>
	42. Mr. Rmah Pro: b. 1964. Residence: La Kbel Hamlet, Duc Co






	District, Gia Lai Province. He participated in a demonstration demanding religious freedom in 2004. He had been advocating for religious freedom until he was arrested and charged with undermining national solidarity in 2009. He is currently serving his sentence in Phu Son 4 Prison, National Security Section, Section 3, Co Lung Village, Phu Luong District, Thai Nguyen Province
	43. Mr. Runh: b. 1979. Residence: Kret Krot Hamlet, Hra Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. An influential pastor among the Ba Na ethnic community associated with the Kret Krot Evangelical Church, he had been defending his Church's right to freedom of religion. He was requested to go to the local police station for interrogation. There, his interrogators beat him and issued an order forbidding him to engage in religious activities. Arrested on 04/23/2012, he was sentenced to 10 years in prison, followed by a 3-year probationary period. He is currently in Prison #5, Town of Thong Nhat, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.
	44. Mr. Ro Lan Ju (Ama Suit) of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 07/21/2009 to 9 years in prison for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	45. Mr. Ro Mah Klit, b. 1946 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 04/05/2011 to 8 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	46. Mr. Rmah Pôl, b. 1953 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 03/27/2009 to 7 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	47. Mr. Siu Ben (Ama Yon) of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on July 21, 2009 to 12 years in prison for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	48. Mr. Siu Bler: b. 1962. Residence: Amoi Hamlet, Tapet Commune, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. An influential pastor among the Ba Na ethnic community associated with the Amoi Evangelical Church, he had been defending his Church's right to freedom of religion. After years of government harassment, his community staged a protest in 2001. After the government cracked down, they sentenced him to 2 years in Gia Trung Prison in Gia Lai, followed by a 2-year probationary period. His subsequent opposition to government interference led to his arrest on 8-27-2004 and he was sentenced to 17 years in prison, followed by a 3-year probationary period. He was tortured brutally in prison until





	half of his body became paralyzed. He is currently in Nam Ha Prison in Ha Nam Province.
	49. Siu Brom, b. 1967 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 04/05/2011 to 10 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	50. Mr. Siu Hlom, b. 1967 of Jrai ethnicity. For refusing to renounce his Christian faith, he was sentenced on 04/05/2011 to 12 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	51. <i>Siu Jă (Ama Hyen) of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 07/21/2009 to 7 years in prison for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.</i>
	52. Mr. Siu Koch, b. 1985 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 14/1/2010 to 9 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	53. Mr. Siu Nheo: b. 1955. Residence: Plei Do Hamlet, Chu A Commune, Pleiku District, Gia Lai Province. An evangelical pastor within the Ba Na ethnic minority group, he and others participated in a demonstration demanding religious freedom in 2004. He had been advocating for religious freedom in the face of government suppression. He spoke out against the government’s suppression in defense of the evangelists and their Church. As a result, he was arrested in 2009 and sentenced to 10 years in prison. Ever since his imprisonment, his wife and children have been victims of injustice and lack even basic necessities.
	54. Siu Thái, b. 1978 of Jrai ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 12/19/2011 to 10 years in prison for “undermining the national unity policy” (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai.
	55. Mr. Siu Wiu: b. 1977. Residence: Plơi wai Hamlet, Ia Plar Commune, Phú Thuận District, Gia Lai Province. As a member of the Ba Na ethnic minority group, he had been advocating for religious freedom in the face of government suppression. As a result, he was arrested in 2009 and sentenced to 8 years in prison.
	56. Mr. Thin: b. 1979. Residence: Kret Krot Hamlet, H’ra Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. On 04-26-16 he was sentenced along with 4 other Montagnard Christians to 6 years in prison followed with 3 years of house arrest for undermining national unity (Article 87). He is being held at Phu Yen Prison.





	<p>57. Y Adam Mlo is about 20 years old a EDE man in Buon ho, Dak lak province. He participated to protest demanding land grabbed return on 2002, he was arrested on 25-12-2002. Adam Mlo sentenced 8 years imprisonment, in the prison the Police torture and beating him a lot, he died in Ha nam prison.</p>
	<p>58. Mr. Y Ben Nie: b. 1971. Residence: Tang 3 U Hamlet, Ea Kao District, Buon Me Thuot Province. An evangelical pastor, he was imprisoned for participating in a demonstration demanding religious freedom. He was arrested in 2004 and sentenced to 13 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, undermining national solidarity. He is currently serving his sentence in Phu Son 4 Prison, National Security Section, Division 3, Co Lung Village, Phu Luong District, Thai Nguyen Province.</p>
	<p>59. Mr. Y Blao Kpor: b. 1964. Residence: Cour B Hamlet, Ea Ana District, Daklak Province. He was a member of Cour B Church's executive committee. In 2001, members of this church started to protest the government's disregard for religious freedom and seizure of their land. He was arrested in 2001, 2004 (detained until 2007), and 2008 (on August 11). Upon being arrested the third time, he was sentenced to 8 years in prison, followed by 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 87. He is in Prison #1 in Thanh Hoa Province. Long detention, torture in prison, and deprivations have taken a heavy toll on his health.</p>
	<p>60. Y Drim Nie, b. 1972. Residence: Buon Tah Village, Ea Drong Commune, Cu Mgar District, Dak lak province. Y Drin Nie is a protestant missionary; he was arrested in December 2012 because he preached the gospel in his village. He was sentenced to 8 years in prison. He is currently imprisoned in Binh Duong Province.</p>
	<p>61. Mr. Y Hriam Kpa: b. 1976. Residence: Druh Hamlet, Ea Nam Commune, Ea Hleo District, Gia Lai Province. The evangelical leader of a Christian House Church in Druh Hamlet that the local government has been suppressing, he was pressured into dissolving the Church. He refused and protested against this policy. He was arrested on July 30, 2015, sentenced to 7 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, and is currently in Dak Trung Prison, M'Drak District, Daklak Province.</p>
	<p>62. Mr. Y Lao Mlo: b. 1987. Residence: Drao Hamlet, Daklak Province. A member of a Christian Church in Drao Hamlet that the local government has been suppressing, he protested against this policy. He was arrested on July 15, 2015, sentenced to 8 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, and is currently in Dak Trung Prison, M'Drak District, Daklak Province.</p>






	<p>63. Mr. Y Lieng Kpa: b. 1974. Residence: Sec Hamlet, Dien Yang Commune, Ea Hleo District, Gia Lai Province. The chief deacon of a Christian Church in Sec Hamlet that the local government has been suppressing, he protested against this policy. He was arrested in August 2008, sentenced to 8 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, and is currently in Dak Trung Prison, M'Drak District, Daklak Province.</p>
	<p>64. Mr. Y Muk Nie: b. 1968. Residence: Sup A Hamlet. Town of Ea Suop, Daklak Province. An evangelical pastor, he resisted the provincial government's persistent harassment and arrests of his fellow church members to deny them their religious freedom. In 2001 he participated in protests that took place in the Central Highlands where members of several churches have been consistently demanding respect for religious freedom and property rights in the face of the government's policy of religious suppression and seizure of private property. After being arrested on 03/27/2001, he was sentenced to 5 years in prison and detained in Ha Nam Prison. After being arrested on 08/03/2011, he was sentenced to 8 years in prison and was first detained in An Phuoc Prison (Binh Duong Province). He is currently in Xuan Phuoc Prison in Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>65. <i>Y Nghenh (Ama Dem), b. 1974 of Ede ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 6/8/2010 to 6 years in prison and 3 years of house arrest for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code) and "organizing and/or coercing other persons to flee abroad or to stay abroad illegally" (article 275 of the Penal Code); detained in Dak Nong.</i></p>
	<p>66. Mr. Y Ngun Knul: b. 1968. Residence: K'Rang Hamlet, Bang Commune, Krong Ana District, Daklak Province. An evangelical pastor who preached to people in his community, he was arrested on 4-29-2004, sentenced to 18 years in prison pursuant to Article 87, and is currently in Prison #6, Nghe An Province.</p>
	<p>67. <i>Mr. Y Ping: b. 1967. Residence: A Luk Hamlet, K'Yang Commune, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. In 2005 he joined other Ba Na ethnic people in demonstrating against the local government's suppression of religious freedom and seizure of private land. He was arrested, charged pursuant to Article 87, and detained for 6 months in Gia Trung Prison. After they released him, he resumed preaching. The local government actively attempted to stop his religious activities. He was arrested on 9-3-2008 (should be 2007 otherwise he would not have been released) and sentenced to 9 years in prison, followed by a 3-year probation period, pursuant to Article 87. He served his sentence in Prison #5, Town of Thong Nhat, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province. He was released in June 2016. He is currently serving his 3-year probation in his community.</i></p>
	<p>68. Mr. Y Phom Koh: b. 1965. Residence: Doh Hamlet, Eatar</p>

	<p>Commune, Cu Mgar District, Daklak Province. He was a deacon and a leader of a youth group in his church. During his time as youth group leader, the local government objected to his concurrently assuming the deacon position. Police arrested him and tortured him during interrogation at the police station, alleging that he attempted to undermine national solidarity. He was sentenced to 8 years in prison pursuant to Article 87. He is in Gia Trung Prison, Ward 5, Section 5, Gia Lai Province.</p>
	<p>69. Y Roh, b. 1968 of Bahnar ethnicity. Residence: Plei Kon Brung Village, Yun Commune, Mang Yang District, Gia Lai Province. His date of arrest is unknown, but he was sentenced to 10 years in prison after participating in a protest to demand religious freedom. He is currently imprisoned in Thanh Hoa Prison.</p>
	<p>70. Y Ty Ksor, b. 1989. Residence: Buon Toat Village, Ea Xiem Commune, Krong Pa District, Gia lai Province. He participated in a protest to demand religious freedom in 2006. He was arrested and sentenced to 14 years in prison. He is currently imprisoned in Ha Nam Prison.</p>
	<p>71. Mr. Y Yem Hwing: b. 1972. San A Hamlet, Ea Tul Commune, Cu Mgar District, Daklak Province. A chief deacon of a church in San A Hamlet, he has been very influential in his church and his ethnic community. The local government arrested him on 10/29/2012 to deprive the community of his leadership in the hope of eventually dissolving the Church. He is serving an 8-year prison sentence.</p>
	<p>72. Mr. Y Yich: b. 1960. Residence: A Lut Hamlet, K Yang Commune, Đăk Đoa District, Gia Lai Province. An evangelical pastor, he was arrested on 12-18-2006 for "plotting against the government". After serving 4 years in Xuan Phuoc Prison, he was discharged on 9/18/2011 and was put under probation for 3 years. He resumed proselytizing to his Ba Na ethnic community and was arrested on 5/13/2013. He was sentenced to 12 years in prison. As a result of being beaten and tortured in prison, his health has been deteriorating. Not only they deny him medical treatment for high blood pressure, rheumatism, and stomach inflammation, they have not allowed his family to supply him with medication. He is currently in Section #2 of An Phuoc Prison, Binh Duong Province.</p>
	<p>73. Mr. Yoh (Bă Nar), b. 1962 of Mnhar ethnicity. For demanding religious and indigenous rights, he was sentenced on 8/9/2009 to 8 years in prison for "undermining the national unity policy" (article 87 of the Penal Code); detained in Gia Lai</p>

	<p>74. Mr. Yuh: b. 1962. Residence: Dor 1 Hamlet, Glar Commune, Dak Doa District, Gia Lai Province. He joined other Christians in protesting against the local government's suppression of religious freedom. He was arrested on 04/04/2009, sentenced to 8 years in prison, followed by a 3-year probationary period, and detained in Prison #5, Town of Thong Nhat, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>75. Ms. Do Thi Hong: b. 1957. Residence: Binh Thang village, Son Thanh Dong Commune, Tay Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. She is a member of the An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Her sentence is 13 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code relating to the fabricated charge of "plotting to overthrow the government." Arrested on 02/14/2012, she was sentenced to 13 years in prison, followed by a 5-year probationary period. She was in Prison Z30A, Section K5, Xuan Loc, Dong Nai Province. Ms. Hong is currently detained at the prison in Binh Phuoc Province. She suffers from poor health.</p>
	<p>76. Mr. Doan Dinh Nam: b. 1951. Residence: 137/1 Tran Hung Dao Street, 3rd District, Tuy Hoa, Phu Yen Province. Arrested on 2/6/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of "plotting to overthrow the government." He is currently held in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria- Vung Tau Province, and suffers from poor health.</p>
	<p>77. Mr. Doan Van Cu: b. 1961. Residence: Dai Binh village, Hoa Quang Nam Commune, Phu Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of the Buddhist sect known as An Dan Dai Dao, founded in 1969 but outlawed in after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/10/2012, he was sentenced to 14 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of "plotting to overthrow the government". After being sentenced, he was held in Section K3, Prison T345, Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria- Vung Tau Province. September 27, 2015: he was transferred to Section 3, Prison #5, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>78. Mr. Le Duc Dong: b. 1983. Residence: Ke Sung Village, Phu Dien Commune, Phu Vang District, Thua Thien – Hue. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/05/2012, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of "plotting to overthrow the government." He is currently held in An Diem Prison, Dai Hung Commune, Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province.</p>
	<p>79. Mr. Le Phuc: b. 1951. Residence: 21/32A Thong Nhat</p>

	<p>Street, Dai Son Commune, Phan Rang-Thap Cham Town, Ninh Thuan Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/05/2012, he was sentenced to 15 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in Section K3, Prison T345, Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province. He suffers from poor health.</p>
	<p>80. Mr. Le Trong Cu: b. 10/20/1966. Residence: Quy Hau Village, Hoa Tri Commune, Phu Hoa District. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/05/2012, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” After being sentenced he was held in Section K3, Prison T345, Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province. On 09/27/2015, he was transferred to Section 3, Prison #5, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>81. Mr. Le Duy Loc: b. 1956. Residence: Khanh Son, Town of Khanh Hai , Ninh Hai, Ninh Thuan Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/15/2012, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison and 5 years of probation under Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” After being sentenced he was held in An Diem Prison, Dai Hung Commune, Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province. In June 2015, he was transferred to Prison #6, Thanh Chuong District, Nghe An Province. On 05/21/2016, he was transferred to Section 3, Prison #5, Yen Dinh District, Thanh Hoa Province.</p>
	<p>82. Mr. Luong Nhat Quang: b. 1987. Residence: Luong Phuoc, Hoa Phu Commune, Tay Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested in March 2012, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” After being sentenced he was held in Section K3, Prison T345, Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province. On 09/27/2015, he was transferred to Prison #6, Thanh Chuong District, Nghe An Province.</p>
	<p>83. Mr. Nguyen Dinh: b. 04/01/1968. Residence: An Nien Village, Hoa An Commune, Phu Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over</p>

	<p>South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 23/11/2012, he was sentenced to 14 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in Section 2, Prison Z30A in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province.</p>
	<p>84. Mr. Nguyen Ky Lac: b. 01/01/1951. Residence: Trieu Son Dong, Xuan Dai Commune, Song Cau Town, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/06/2012, his sentence is 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in Section 2, Prison Z30A in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province.</p>
	<p>85. Mr. Nguyen Thai Binh: b. 1986. Residence: Thanh Hai Commune, Phan Rang - Thap Cham, Ninh Thuan Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 11/23/2012, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in An Diem Prison in Dai Hung Commune, Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province.</p>
	<p>86. Mr. Nguyen Van Huu: b. 1957. Residence: Ca Du, Khanh Hai, Ninh Hai District, Ninh Thuan Province. He is a member of the unsanctioned Buddhist organization Bia Son Council for Laws and Affairs. Arrested on 09/07/2014, he was sentenced to 6 years in prison for illegally storing, using and trading explosive materials as the government charged An Dan Dai Dao for plotting to overthrow the government. In fact, the explosives were used to break rocks for a medication center that was being built by his Buddhist sect. He is currently held in Song Cai Prison in Bac Ai District, Phu Yen Province.</p>
	<p>87. Mr. Phan Thanh Tuong: b. 1987. Residence: My Thanh Trung, Hoa Phong Commune, Tay Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 03/08/2012, he was sentenced to 10 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in Section 2, Prison Z30A in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province.</p>
	<p>88. Mr. Phan Thanh Y: b. 1948. Residence: My Thanh Trung, Hoa Phong Commune, Tay Hoa. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 11/23/2012, he was sentenced to 14 years in</p>

	<p>prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria – Vung Tau Province.</p>
	<p>89. Mr. Phan Van Thu: b. 1948. Residence: Section 646, Tran Phu Street, An Nhon Town, Binh Dinh Province. He founded the Buddhist Sect titled An Dan Dai Dao in 1969. It was outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/05/2012, he was sentenced to life in prison on the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government,” pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code. He is currently in An Phuoc Prison in Phu Giao District, Binh Duong Province, and suffers from poor health.</p>
	<p>90. Mr. Ta Khu: b. 1947. Residence: Binh Thang, Son Thanh Dong Commune, Tay Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/06/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria- Vung Tau. His health is poor.</p>
	<p>91. Mr. Tran Phi Dung: b. 1966. Residence: Phu Nhien, Hoa My Dong, Tay Hoa. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/10/2012, he was sentenced to 13 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He was held in Prison Z30A, Section 2, in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province. In 09/27/2015, he was transferred to Prison #6, Thanh Chuong, Nghe An Province.</p>
	<p>92. Mr. Tran Quan: b. 1984. Residence: Lam Tuyen, Dran, Don Duong, Lam Dong Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/10/2012, he was sentenced to 13 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently held in An Diem Prison, Dai Hung Commune, Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province.</p>

	<p>93. Mr. Tu Thien Luong: b. 1950. Residence: Section 3, Duc Nghia Commune, Phan Thiet District, BinhThuan Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 11/23/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently in prison in An Diem Prison, Dai Hung Commune, Dai Loc District, Quang Nam Province.</p>
	<p>94. Mr. Vo Ngoc Cu: b. 1951. Residence: Trieu Son Dong. Xuan Dai Commune, Song Cau Town. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/06/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria- Vung Tau. His health is poor.</p>
	<p>95. Mr. Vo Thanh Le: b. 1955. Residence: Phuoc Loc 2, Hoa Thanh Commune, Dong Hoa, Phu Yen. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/5/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria - Vung Tau. His health is poor.</p>
	<p>96. Mr. Vo Tiet: b. 1952. Residence: Ngo Gia Tu St., Area 5, Phu Dong Commune, Tuy Hoa Town, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 02/5/2012, he was sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” After being sentenced he was held in Prison Z30A, Section 2, in Xuan Loc District, Dong Nai Province. In 09/27/2015, he was transferred to Prison #6, Thanh Chuong, Nghe An Province.</p>
	<p>97. Mr. Vuong Tan Son: b. 1953. Residence: Thanh Lam Village, Hoa Quang Bac, Phu Hoa. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 2/10/2012, he was sentenced to 17 years in prison and 5 years of probation pursuant to Article 79 of the penal code, relating to the fabricated charge of “plotting to overthrow the government.” He is currently in Section K3, Prison T345 in Xuyen Moc District, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province.</p>



98. *Mr. Huynh Duc Minh: b. 1958. Residence: Hao Son Village, Hoa Xuan Nam Commune, Dong Hoa District, Phu Yen Province. He is a member of An Dan Dai Dao, a Buddhist sect founded in 1969 but outlawed after the Communist regime took over South Vietnam in April 1975. Arrested on 09/7/2014, he was sentenced to 3 years in prison for illegally storing, using and trading explosive materials as the government charged An Dan Dai Dao for plotting to overthrow the government. In fact, the explosives were used to break rocks for a medication center that was being built by his Buddhist sect. After being sentenced, he was in Xuan Phuoc Prison, Dong Xuan District, Phu Yen Province. He was released on 12/09/2016.*