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**The Office of the CCP Henan Provincial Committee
Notice on Forwarding the “Key Work Points of the Provincial Leading Group for
Prevention and Handling of Cult Issues in 2017”**

To all provincial cities, provincially administered counties (cities), provincial ministries and commissions, party units and groups of provincial agencies (party committees), provincial enterprises and party committees for institutions of higher learning, people’s party groups: The “Key Work Points of the Provincial Leading Group for Prevention and Handling of Cult Issues in 2017” has been approved by the leading comrades of the Provincial Committee and now forwarded to you. Please execute it thoroughly and responsibly in a practical manner. The contents of this document must be kept strictly confidential.

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(This document is sent to the department level, and additionally issued to the group leaders and office directors of the leading group for prevention and handling of cult issues of all provincial cities, and provincially administered counties (cities).)

**Key Work Points of the Provincial Leading Group for Prevention and Handling of
Cult Issues in 2017**

In 2017, provincial efforts for the prevention and handling of cults must fully implement the spirits of the 18th CCP National Congress and the 18th Central Committee’s 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Plenary Sessions through in-depth study and practice of the spirit of General Secretary Xi Jinping’s important speeches and new concepts, new ideas and new strategies of governance. Adhere to the overall national security concepts, thoroughly and responsibly implement the spirits of the Central Political and Legal Work Conference, 10th Provincial Committee Political and Legal Work Conference, and work conference on ruling the province by law. Tightly encircle and manage the cult problems, achieve target requirements of long-term stability, actively adapt to changing situations, adhere to the combination of special governance and system governance, seek steady progress and innovative breakthrough with courage for responsibility and diligence for achievement, constantly improve the level of anti-cult work, effectively maintain overall social and political stability, strive for a comprehensive well-off society,

make new contributions to let the Central Plains become more colorful, and greet the victorious convocation of the 19th CCP National Congress with excellent results.

I. Study and practice the spirit of General Secretary Xi Jinping's important speech series in a deep-going way, conscientiously implement the decision deployment of the central and provincial committees, and strengthen the planning and leadership for work in preventing and handling cults.

1. Deeply study and understand the spirit of General Secretary Xi Jinping's important speeches and instructions on anti-cult work. Systematically study General Secretary Xi Jinping's series of important speeches, instructions and directives on anti-cult work since the 18th Party Congress, and deeply comprehend the new thoughts, views and requirements herein. Practically unify thinking and actions toward General Secretary Xi Jinping's instructions and requirements on maintaining national political security, in particular, the security of political power and system, toward the Party Central Committee's determination of the nature of the struggle against cults, toward the policies and strategic deployment affirmed by the Party Central Committee, and toward the decision deployed by provincial parties. The sense of political urgency must be heightened, and political vigilance must be strengthened. Take the initiative to act in creating a new situation of anti-cult endeavor.

2. Implement the main responsibility. Party committees and governments at all levels must constantly maintain a high degree of vigilance, understand anti-cult work from the perspective of safeguarding the political security and political power of the nation and modernizing the national governance system and capabilities, rigorously implement the main responsibility of anti-cult work, and regularly review reports on anti-cult work and study how to resolve the key work. Include anti-cult work in the overall economic and social development, the evaluation of the performance of the leadership of party committees and governments at all levels, and the training content of party and government cadres at all levels.

3. Strengthen overall co-ordination and planning. The leading group for prevention and handling of cult issues of party committees at all levels must strengthen the coordination and planning according to the requirements of the central and provincial authorities to actively and reliably promote reforms in anti-cult work by focusing on the major issues and important issues of anti-cult work and breaking through the constraints of the bottlenecks in carrying out anti-cult work. The office should assist the leading groups in properly coordinating the formulation and implementation of various important decisions, supervision and inspection, assessment and evaluation, and incentive and accountability, etc. Member units of the leading groups shall insist on the principle of "he who is in charge is responsible," and according to their respective

functions, properly implement the responsibilities and measures of anti-cult work in their own units and systems.

4. Improve the working mechanism. Improve the working mechanism of cult prevention and handling led by party committees and governments, respectively conducted by various departments and jointly cooperated by the society, to form overall collaboration in anti-cult work. Closely combine anti-cult work with the efforts of diplomatic communication, network information security, grassroots organizations, poverty alleviation, comprehensive management of social order, governance and peace building, spiritual and cultural creativities, religious affair management, “one village (community), one police,” livelihood relief work, etc. Strengthen the source and basis of anti-cult work, increase the specific gravity of anti-cult work in spiritual civilization construction, comprehensive governance, peace building evaluation.

5. Remediation of cults according to the law. Learn in depth and apply the newly revised “Interpretation of the Supreme People’s Court and the Supreme People’s Procuratorate on Several Issues Concerning the Application of Law in the Handling of Criminal Cases of Sabotage of Law Enforcement by Organizing and Using Cult Organizations” (Legal Interpretation [2017] No. 3) and strike against criminal cult activities according to the law. Attempt in identifying an approach through the judicial process in resolving the qualitative issues of newly bred cult organizations. Implement the demands of judiciary bodies for centralized jurisdiction of cases involving cults, strengthen investigation, prosecution, trial, and implementation work, and cultivate professional case handling teams.

6. Reinforce bottom line thinking. Adhere to the problem-oriented paradigm. Strengthen investigation and research in the focus, problems, and salient questions of anti-cult work. Introduce working solutions and suggestions with operability to maximize containment of the spread of cults. Ensure the prevention of large-scale congregation and disturbance in public by cult members, particularly in the national capital. Ensure the prevention of the use of technical means to implement major TV stream insertion, network attacks and telephone harassment events. Ensure the prevention of major anti-propaganda cases that result in adverse effects, strictly prevent low probability cult events from evolving into major events that impact local and even provincial stability.

II. Fully prevent and control major risks involving cult problems to create a safe and stable social environment for the victorious convocation of the 19th CCP National Congress

7. Strengthen the work of intelligence information. Adhere to the combination of efforts—public and secret, professional and mass, domestic and abroad, online and off-

line—to collect comprehensive information on domestic and foreign cult activities to disrupt and undermine the 19th National Congress, and effectively improve timeliness and relevancy. Improve information exchange mechanism, convene quarterly anti-cult intelligence information meeting, strengthen comprehensive judgment, and improve intelligence information work quality. Actively build secret forces, strive to obtain insider-, actionable- and early- warning-intelligence, make good use of anti-cult information officers, and implement tipping reward system against cults to mobilize mass enthusiasm.

8. Establish a dynamic risk investigation mechanism. Public Security agencies shall conduct special household investigation on cult members (“Operation Door-knock”), conduct comprehensive investigation and dynamic assessment of the risks of cult problems, focus on probing non-line-of-sight and fugitive cult members, and prominent clues on cult activities. Fully grasp the cult organizational systems, number of cult members, and directions of activities. Initiate search and pursuit of fugitive and missing cult members. Apprehend cult members-at-large and locate missing members by the end of June. Implement sharing of “Information Control System on Cult Members” (“database”) by party committee offices for the prevention and management of cults of provincially administered cities and counties (cities, districts) and Public Security agencies to compile a “single account” on the number of cult members. Pertaining to the risk of scale disorderly assembly by organized cults, risk of fabricating and spreading political rumors, risk of creating mayhem and disturbance by technical means, and risk of inciting extreme events, responsive managing work plan must be prepared to ensure timely detection, control and disposal.

9. Maintain persistent “high pressure, strike-hard” posture against cult organizations such as Falun Gong, Almighty God and others. Insist on active attacks, catch early, strike small, strike at outcrop, and preemption to achieve deterrence. By striking against current anti-propaganda activities and underground organization gang activities, preventing key figures from fleeing and committing crime, suppressing local uprising trends, staunching resurgence of false accusations and frivolous litigations—the so-called “rights protection by law” confrontational activities, and preventing cult members and key jurisprudents from teaming up to launch attacks. Launch special strike actions against the Almighty God cult, destroy its Henan pastoral area, district leaderships and specialized agencies, launch precision strike against key district leaderships, and affect utter disintegration of the Almighty God cult. Conduct strike, and ban or initiate special remediation against other prominently active cults, harmful Qigong organizations and illegal organizations with cult features.

10. Weaving a tightly confidential social control network. Strictly implement control measures against prominent cult figures, and prevent omission or loss of control. Implement rigorous internal management to prevent hidden cult members within the

system from causing troubles. Fully bring into play the function of comprehensive township (sub-district) management work center, and include anti-cult efforts in the prevention and control system of social security. Bring into play the functions of community police, grid staff, responsible persons for an umbrella protection with comprehensive grid management and security position control. Employ public safety video monitoring and construct networking applications (“Snow Bright Project”) and other technical measures to prevent Falun Gong and other cult organizations in the community from engaging in anti-propaganda activities. Include prominent cult members in the “database” on the public security information platform to improve the level of information technology prevention and control.

11. Implementing strict prevention and control responsibility. Improve intelligence sharing, situation notification, investigation interface, regional cooperation and other working mechanism for real control and tracking of domestic outflow and foreign inflow of cult members and crime prevention. Build three lines of defense—grassroots prevention and control, city-county checking and blocking, and Beijing intercept—to ensure that cult nuisance in our province does not spill over to the capital Beijing. Network message, industry and information technology, communication management, press and broadcasting departments such as radio and television must optimize technical preventive work of the Internet, telecommunications networks, and radio and television networks to improve suppression and investigation capabilities against illegal propaganda by shortwave, ultra-shortwave, satellite and other radio means. Prevent interference and sabotage by cults via technical means.

III. Firmly grasp the overall work foundation of steady progress. Promote various key categories of anti-cult work in the spirit of diligence and ambition.

12. Expanding anti-cult struggles abroad. In accordance with the law, strictly control prominent cult figures in the province from leaving the country. Severely crack down on provincial key figures in collusion with foreign entities. Sever overseas cults from provincial human sources, information sources, and funding sources. Establish effective control mechanism to conduct in-depth investigation of prominent cult figures overseas originating from our province. Strengthen persuasive education and foreign communications, create blacklist, publicly expose scandalous acts, promote more tempered behavior abroad, prevent involvements in harassing high level visitors, fully utilize friendly foreign channels, improve work quality of friendly cities, and effectively suppress the activity space of Falun Gong abroad. Excavate folk resources, cultivate civil forces against Falun Gong and other cults, mobilize influential voices of American and Western experts, scholars, journalists, and patriotic emigrant leaders to generate favorable media comments overseas. Adequately prepare public officials on assignment abroad with anti-cult education, induce provincial enterprises and other economic entities to play active roles in anti-cult struggles abroad.

13. Intensifying online anti-cult struggles. Focus on interdicting connective network channels and sanitizing network spaces to conduct “net-severing” and “net-cleansing” actions. Resolutely contain online connections of anti-propaganda, infiltration and command of Falun Gong and other cults. Purge online political rumors and harmful information involving cults. Enhance monitor, analysis, and disposal capacity of cult information networks. Intensify investigation on moderators, group leaders, ring leaders, key technical personnel and active members with cult involvements. Uproot and effectively monitor domestic informants, writers and prominent cult members who supply rumors abroad, and resolutely smash online cult organization systems. Strengthen the construction of anti-cult network assessment team, select and make good use of net force talents to further optimize the working environments and conditions to intensify development of overseas online propaganda, and constantly expand the influences of online struggles to stifle the online living space of Falun Gong. Take serious efforts in developing and organizing special focus actions to efficiently fight against rumors, expose in-depth the heinous identities of anti-China and anti-communist forces, and effectively guide the directions of public opinions on the Internet, in accordance with the unified deployment of the superiors. Closely monitor overseas core cult members, headquarters base and foreign dignitaries, meticulously organize strike strategy, separation and differentiation. Closely monitor activity directions of the Falun Gong and other cults overseas, collect early warning-, forwarding looking- and actionable-intelligence to advance the broader struggle.

14. Resolutely curb the spread of other cults. Adhere to highlighting the focus, differentiating treatment, crushing one by one, organize preventive measures for the three-year offensive against other cults. Resolutely curb the spread of other cults, harmful qigong and illegal organizations with cult characteristics. Establish a linked investigative mechanism to further grasp various types of cult organizations and the existence and development of illegal organizations with cult characteristics for timely entry into the database to implement dynamic management. To illegal organizations that operate in the name of religion, clearly delineate policy boundaries, actively divert and resolve, promote the incorporation of management by the law, prevent infiltration of cult organizations, and maximally eliminate all types of gray areas. With regard to illegal organizations that have cult characteristics but have not been defined, carefully define them by paying attention to policies and strategy and choose the right time to crack down on them according to the law. To the openly anti-party and anti-government cult organizations and illegal organizations with cult characteristics, adhere to striking the leaders, destroying the system, smashing the dens, and confiscating funds. Precisely strike at the organizers, planners and commanders according to the law. Timely crack down on entities that defraud money and cultivate cults by doing business, and unlawful gathering locations for training. Resolutely destroy their organizational systems, paralyze their communication channels, and eliminate their economic bases.

15. Endeavor to improve the levels of specialization, socialization and legalization of education transformation. Adhere to the basic policy of unifying education to save the vast majority and strike against the extreme minority according to the law. Initiate educational transformation on obsessed cult personnel according to the law. Focus on the “Falun Gong” and other stubbornly obsessed individuals who are involved with false accusations. Initiate educational transformation by offering concentrated classes, diverse mentoring, graded classes, etc. Strengthen the establishment of the “Three Specials”—specialized venues, specialized teaching materials, and special teams, and promote the construction of multi-functional, comprehensive special sites for the trinity of educational transformation, propaganda alertness, and education training. Strengthen the education and training of mentoring experts and improve the professional level of the teams. Strengthen anti-cult theory research and prepare special anti-cult teaching materials. Focus on the legalization of educational transformation work, improve the working model of educational transformation that integrates corrective separation from cults, consolidation, post-liberation and re-integration under legal environment. Actively explore a new approach for educational transformation consistent with the requirements of the rule of law. Further affirm the responsibilities of various judiciary departments for educational transformation. Achieve complete education and seamless docking for involved personnel and promote the integration of corrective separation of involved personnel from cults with precision strike. Actively and steadily promote the work of liberation, strictly grasp the policy, and strive to educate a group by transforming an individual, and win over a large group by liberating an individual. Focus on the socialization of educational transformation work and construct a large platform for educational transformation to incorporate the educational transformation of cult involved individuals into special crowd management, livelihood aid and poverty alleviation. Encourage and support all sectors of society to participate in educational transformation work to form multi-level, multi-echelon and all-round work patterns.

16. Endeavoring to improve anti-cult propaganda and education pertaining to relevance and timeliness. Adjust policy requirements of “action without words,” “more actions less words,” by incorporating anti-cult propaganda in the grand pattern of party propaganda to actively guide all kinds of media to take the initiative in joining anti-cult propaganda and realize the institutionalization and normalization of anti-cult propaganda and education. Explore the implementation of a “negative inventory system” by sorting out the contents of inappropriate public propaganda while fully releasing normal publicity. Research and develop the “Implementation of a Plan to Develop Anti-cult Propaganda Reports by Traditional Media.” Seriously study the features and rules of modern media to accelerate the formation of mutual responses between traditional media- and new media-propaganda, and simultaneously promote three-dimensional propaganda pattern online and offline. Continue to deepen online publicity, strengthen anti-cult propaganda against mobile Internet positions, optimize new anti-cult media

platforms such as the Kaiwind Henan Net, Xinhua Henan Channel, Zheng Dao, WeChat Public Number, Henan Anti-cult and government micro-blogs, etc. Further strengthen grass-roots anti-cult warning education, induce anti-cult propaganda and education into agencies, classrooms, enterprises, communities, villages, and religious activity venues. Promote the establishment of anti-cult associations in enterprises, and health Qigong associations in colleges and universities. Strengthen the education of ethnic and religious policies of party members and cadres, and focus on rural grassroot members' grasp of anti-cult propaganda and education. Encourage and guide religious communities to participate in anti-cult propaganda and education activities, expose the fact of cult organizations' fraudulent use of religious pretext for mass deception, and enhance the immunity of grassroot masses, especially religious groups, to exploitation by cults.

17. Intensifying the promotion of cult-free creative work. Sum up the activity experiences of the “Cult-free Creative Demonstration Projects of Hundred Counties, Thousand Towns and Myriad Villages” to further standardize creative criteria, improve creative quality, expand creative contents, and prescribe a group of cult-free creative demonstration models. Through typical demonstration guidance, promote horizontal and vertical developments of cult-free creative work, and constantly consolidate the grass-root base for anti-cult work.

IV. Take the initiative to adapt to the requirements of the new situation and endeavor to build a strong anti-cult work team.

18. Strengthen ideological and political construction. Promote the “Two Learning, One Doing” normalization and institutionalization of learning and education. Persistently strengthen the ideals and beliefs of education without laxity. Steadfastly strengthen party education and strengthen moral construction with perseverance. Firmly establish the “four consciousness” and lay the foundation of thinking. Strengthen the ideological and emotional exchanges with cadres, grasp the ideological dynamics of cadres in a timely manner, help solve practical problems and further strengthen the cadres' sense of professional identity and belonging. Vigorously promote the spirit of “two willingness”—willingness for dedication and for anonymity. Strengthen acceptance of mission, educate and guide cadres to take the initiative, dare to take responsibility and ambition, work hard, and dedicate to anti-cult work.

19. Strengthen operational capacity building. Vigorously strengthen learning and training, endeavor to enhance the innovation, foresight, co-ordination, and execution of the anti-cult work team to effectively solve the problem of “capability shortage.” Increase personnel training efforts, establish a talent team encompassing control, prevention, crackdown, educational transformation, propaganda education, online battles, extraterritorial struggles and other operational areas. Implement an incentive and penalty motivation mechanism to stimulate the inner dynamics of the team, so that there

is a stage for performance and momentum for accomplishment. Improve the scientific evaluation system and focus the work on the laying of foundation and long-term control.

20. Strengthen the construction of disciplinary style. Place discipline and rules in front, initiate party spirit, conduct and discipline education in a deep-going way. Earnestly study the party constitution, the party's political living standards, honesty and self-discipline standards, the party supervision standards and disciplinary regulations. Make full use of the positive and negative aspects of the typical to strengthen party honesty and warning education, so that cadres can stay alert, know the bottom line, understand respect and fear, and firmly build the ideological line of defense. Strictly manage daily team work. Implement cadre exit management, confidential work, the report system of personal matters, early detection of symptomatic and tendency problems for early treatment.

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