

URGENT ACTION

SEVEN MISSING IN FEARED ATTACK ON LAW FIRM

At least seven people affiliated with a law firm in Beijing are missing and believed to have been detained, in what appears to be a coordinated attack on the law firm.

At around 3am on 9 July, **Wang Yu**, a human rights lawyer with the Fengrui Law firm in Beijing, sent a text message to friends saying that her internet and electricity had been cut off. At 4:17am she sent another message saying that there were people trying to break into her home. Later that morning, friends were unable to reach her and she was not at home when a group of activists went to check on her. Wang Yu's husband **Bao Longjun** and their 16-year-old son **Bao Zhuoxuan** are also missing.

At around 7am on 10 July, lawyer **Zhou Shifeng**, director of the Fengrui Law Firm, was witnessed being taken away from his hotel room in Beijing with a black hood over his head by three unidentified people. At 8:45am, the law firm's administrative assistant **Liu Sixin** was talking to a friend on the phone when she suddenly said, "they've come, they've come!", after which the phone line went dead. No one has been able to contact her since. The law firm's financial director **Wang Fang** has not been heard from since he left his home to go to the office the same morning.

The sister of **Li Shuyun**, another lawyer at the firm, reported that at 11am on 10 July approximately ten plain-clothes police officers took her away from her home. One of the officers said that Li Shuyun was being taken away in relation to the investigation of a criminal case.

As of the afternoon of 10 July, friends and colleagues have lost contact with other lawyers from the Fengrui Law firm including Zhang Weiyu, Wang Quanzhang and Huang Liqun, and the law firm's driver, Zhou Qing. It is not known whether they have been detained or are in hiding.

Please write immediately in Chinese, English, or your own language:

- Demanding the authorities to immediately confirm the whereabouts and legal status of Wang Yu, Bao Longjun, Bao Zhuoxuan, Zhou Shifeng, Liu Sixin, Wang Fang, and Li Shuyun;
- Calling on them to ensure that if detained, they all have regular, unrestricted access to their lawyers and family and are protected from torture and other ill-treatment.

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Human rights lawyer Wang Yu has taken on many important human rights cases that the government has deemed "sensitive" in recent years, including: the defence of Cao Shunli, the Jiansanjiang case, the defence of prominent Uighur scholar Ilham Tohti, the Fan Mugen forced eviction case.

Wang Yu has also been defending well-known grassroots activist and Twitter user Wu Gan, who is also an employee of Fengrui Law Firm. He was detained on 20 May after participating in a demonstration outside the Jiangxi Provincial Higher People's Court in Nanchang, and has been formally arrested on the charges of "inciting subversion of state power" and "picking quarrels and provoking troubles".

Name: Wang Yu (f), Bao Lungjun (m), Bao Shixuan (m), Zhou Shifeng (m), Liu Sixin (f), Wang Fang (f), Li Shuyun (f), Zhang Weiyu, Wang Quanzhang (m), Huang Liqun (m) , Zhou Qing (m)
Gender m/f: Both

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