

QUICK INFO SHEET: Liu Zhengyou (刘正有)

Male, 58, Zigong city, Sichuan province.

Liu, a long-time farmer rights organizer and investigator of human rights abuses is currently undergoing trial, alongside his wife on charges of 'fraud'. Liu has led a campaign against government land grabs in Hongqi district of Zigong since 1993, blocking a development plan for a high-tech park. He has also provided assistance in organizing farmers in other provinces, and his research into 'Black jails' was some of the first information available on this now well-known system of arbitrary detention.

For detailed information on Liu Zhengyou, see <http://China-Action.org>, the case file or (if available) Urgent Appeal to the United Nations, all of which can be found on our website.

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- **Detained:** Roughly 13 o'clock/1pm on November 11, 2009
- **Arrested:** December 7, 2009
- **Reason:** Accused of forging work experience documentation to retain insurance policy, but likely a way for the Zigong government to get rid of Liu's organizing against government land development plans.
- **Charge:** 'Fraud'
- **Place of detetion:** Huidong Police Station, Zigong City Public Security Bureau (PSB)
- **Current status:** Awaiting verdict
- **Legal counsel:** Zheng Jianwei (郑 建 伟)

- **Case sent to procuratorate:** February 2, 2010. Gave itself a half-month extension on March 2 to decide whether to prosecute or not.
- **Case returned to police for further investigation:** March 16, 2010
- **Date and place of trial hearing:** 9am, July 6, 2010 at Sichuan province, Zigong city, Ziliujing district court
- **Date, court and content of verdict:** Tengzhou City Court, May 13, 2008