

Network of Concerned Historians				NCH
Campaigns				
Year original	Year follow-up	Circular	Country	Names
2000		16	China	Song Yongyi, American librarian
	2000			<i>follow-up 2</i>
	2000			<i>follow-up 1</i>

*Announcement:*

Please find enclosed a letter from our colleague, librarian and historian Yongyi Song, who was released from prison in China on 28 January 2000 (not 29 January as previously announced). Also see NCH circulars #16

(11 January 2000) and #16(ii) (2 February 2000).

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**From:** Webmaster <webmastr@dickinson.edu>  
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**Subject:** Yongyi Song Returns Home Safely

Thank you for signing our petition in support of Yongyi Song, the Dickinson College librarian who was imprisoned for his research in China. We are pleased to report that Yongyi was released on January 28th, and he arrived home in Carlisle, Pennsylvania on January 30th. The College held a celebration of his safe return during our Common Hour on Wednesday, February 2nd.

You may read more about the case or see pictures of his return at our web site:  
<http://www.dickinson.edu/action/>

Yongyi and his wife Helen would like to share this message of thanks with all those who supported them:

Dear My American and Chinese Fellows, Each the Petition Signer:

I cannot remember how many times Helen and I read your signature and comments with endless tears. Although I know that any words in dictionaries will be so weak to express my sincerest appreciation to all

of you, I would like you to know that we are deeply indebted to all of you. Your signature in this petition not only defends one man and his family, but also defends the intellectual standard of academic

freedom  
and human rights.

With our heartfelt thanks!

Yongyi and Helen  
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