

Network of Concerned Historians				NCH
Campaigns				
Year original	Year follow-up	Circular	Country	Names
2000		19	India	Anonymous, historian

Announcement

Unfortunately, World University Service-International (WUS), an organization with which NCH collaborated, has ceased to exist earlier this year. A new international initiative (unrelated to WUS) based at the University of Chicago has been established in June. It is called *Scholars at Risk (SAR)* and works to promote academic freedom and to defend the human rights of scholars, in part by arranging temporary placements for scholars who suffer grave threats to their work or their person. SAR is sending a summary profile of a historian currently seeking assistance. Perhaps your university could accommodate our colleague.

SCHOLARS AT RISK

Dear friends:

Scholars at Risk works to promote academic freedom and to defend the human rights of scholars, in part by arranging temporary placements for scholars who suffer grave threats to their work or their person. Following is a summary profile of a historian currently seeking assistance. You can help by:

- considering the historian for a temporary position at your institution;
- forwarding the profile to persons, at your institution or others, who might help; and
- urging your institution to join the network and receive information on future candidates.

For full case information, including CV, publications, statement of risk, recommendations and other attachments, please contact the Scholars at Risk office at USA-773-834-4659 (tel) or USA-773-702-9286 (fax).

Thank you.

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PROFILE

Scholar CC (Asia; history; fired for political reasons)

Scholar CC is an established historian from Asia. Scholar CC was the coordinating editor of an official, government-sponsored, multi-volume document series on the early history of his/her nation. When national elections resulted in a change in the political party in power, the secularist values guiding the documentary project came under attack. The new ruling party and its supporters objected to the historical view presented in the earlier volumes in the series. The party cancelled contracts and forced a number of prominent historians off the project, including Scholar CC. All those removed except Scholar CC were volume editors and had retained other academic posts. Because Scholar CC had given up his/her previous academic position to serve as the full-time coordinating editor of the project, Scholar CC is left without a position and without a source of income.