

URGENT ACTION

THREE LABOUR ACTIVISTS RELEASED ON BAIL

Hua Haifeng, Li Zhao, and Su Heng were released on bail on 28 June 2017 after being criminally detained while investigating labour conditions at Huajian shoe factories, which produce shoes for Ivanka Trump's brand, among others. They will remain under close police surveillance for the next 12 month period.

Hua Haifeng, Li Zhao, and Su Heng were released on bail on 28 June 2017 after having been taken away by the authorities in Ganzhou, Jiangxi Province in late May 2017. According to police the three activists had been criminally detained on the charge of “unlawfully using special equipment or devices for eavesdropping or secret photographing”.

Under Chinese law, defendants released on “bail” can see the charges against them dropped if they do not commit further violations of the law in a 12 month period, and often remain under close police surveillance. Amnesty International will continue to monitor the situation.

Hua Haifeng expressed his heartfelt thanks to “each respected colleague at Amnesty International, for voicing support while I was detained. It was your support that allowed my family to be more determined! Thank you!”

No further action is requested of the network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

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