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## Personal Details

<b>CECC Record Number</b>	2008-00341	<b>Ethnic Group</b>	Han
<b>Detention Status</b>	DET	<b>Sex</b>	M
<b>Issue Category</b>	dem/assoc/spch	<b>Age At Detention</b>	55
<b>Main Name</b>	Xie Changfa	<b>Religion</b>	
<b>Chinese Characters (Main Name)</b>	谢长发	<b>Occupation</b>	
<b>Alternate Name (Lay or Pen)</b>		<b>Affiliation</b>	
<b>Additional Name(s)</b>		<b>Residence Province</b>	Hunan Province
<b>Pinyin Name</b>		<b>Residence Prefecture</b>	Changsha Shi (pref.)
		<b>Residence County</b>	Wangcheng Cty.

## Imprisonment or Detention Details

<b>Date of Detention</b>	2008/06/26
<b>Current Prison</b>	Chishan Prison
<b>Sentence Length (Years)</b>	13
<b>Sentence Length (Months)</b>	
<b>Sentence Length (Weeks)</b>	
<b>Sentence Length (Days)</b>	
<b>Province Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Hunan Province
<b>Prefecture Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Yiyang Shi (pref.)
<b>County Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Yuanjiang Shi (cty.)

## Legal Process

<b>Legal Process</b>	chg/tri/sent	<b>Formal Arrest Date</b>	2008/08/01
<b>Trial Court</b>	Changsha Intermediate People's Court	<b>Trial Date</b>	2009/04/28
<b>Sentence Court</b>	Changsha Intermediate People's Court	<b>Sentence Date</b>	2009/09/01
<b>Appeal Court</b>		<b>Appeal Date</b>	
<b>Appeal Ruling Court</b>		<b>Appeal Ruling Date</b>	
<b>Sent. Ends Per PRC</b>		<b>Actual Date Released</b>	
<b>Charge (Statute)</b>	CL97-art105(1)		

## Short Summary

According to Radio Free Asia and Boxun, on June 26, 2008, Yuhua public security officials in Changsha, Hunan province, detained democracy activist Xie Changfa on charges of "inciting subversion" on June 26, 2008 and formally arrested him on August 1 for the more serious charge of "subversion of state power." The [sentencing document](#) for Xie indicates that the charge is related to Xie's attempts to convene a national meeting of China Democracy Party (CDP) members across China, for establishing a CDP branch in Changsha, and because of his writings, including a CDP charter and articles advocating for a more democratic China. On September 1, 2009, the Changsha Intermediate People's Court sentenced Xie to 13 years in prison for subversion. Previously, Xie served 2 years of reeducation through labor for "counterrevolutionary propaganda incitement" after he tried to register the Hunan Preparatory Committee of the CDP in 1998. 59-year old Xie is reportedly required to labor 10 hours a day. Xie's lawyer said he was not able to meet with him until more than four months after his detention. Xie is currently being held at Chishan prison in Yiyang city near Changsha.