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Personal Details



CECC Record Number	2008-00545	Ethnic Group	Uyghur
Detention Status	REL?	Sex	F
Issue Category	eth/spch	Age At Detention	29
Main Name	Mehbube Ablesh	Religion	Muslim
Chinese Characters (Main Name)	阿布露莎	Occupation	media, radio
Alternate Name (Lay or Pen)		Affiliation	
Additional Name(s)	Mehbube Abrak	Residence Province	Xinjiang Uyghur Auto. Region
Pinyin Name		Residence Prefecture	Wulumuqi [Urumqi] Shi (pref.)
		Residence County	(na)

Imprisonment or Detention Details

Date of Detention	2008/08/dd
Current Prison	Xinjiang Women's Prison
Sentence Length (Years)	3
Sentence Length (Months)	
Sentence Length (Weeks)	
Sentence Length (Days)	
Province Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Xinjiang Uyghur Auto. Region
Prefecture Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Wulumuqi [Urumqi] Shi (pref.)
County Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Shuimogou Dist.

Legal Process

Legal Process	chg/tri/sent/rel?	Formal Arrest Date	
Trial Court		Trial Date	
Sentence Court		Sentence Date	
Appeal Court		Appeal Date	
Appeal Ruling Court		Appeal Ruling Date	
Sent. Ends Per PRC		Actual Date Released	
Charge (Statute)			

Short Summary

According to Radio Free Asia (8 September 08 in [English](#) and [Uyghur](#), 9 September 08 in [Mandarin](#)), Mehbube Ablesh, a Uyghur employee in the advertising department at the Xinjiang People's Radio Station in Urumqi, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region (XUAR), was fired from her job around August 2008 and placed in detention, in apparent connection to her criticism of Chinese government policy in the region. A co-worker connected the detention to articles she wrote for the Internet. Another source said that in her communications with him, she was critical of political leaders in the XUAR and criticized Mandarin-focused language policies. A source also noted she had posted articles on the Internet that criticized government security measures for the 2008 Beijing Olympics and government handling of collecting donations from Uyghurs for the May 2008 Sichuan earthquake. According to Dui Hua information based on official Chinese sources, a court sentenced Mehbube Ablesh (identified as Mehbube Abrak) to three years' imprisonment for splittism, a crime under Article 103 of China's [Criminal Law](#). She was transferred to the Xinjiang Women's Prison (Xinjiang No. 2 Prison) to serve her sentence.