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Personal Details

CECC Record Number	2004-00806	Ethnic Group	Tibetan
Detention Status	REL-PSB	Sex	M
Issue Category	eth/spch/info/rel	Age At Detention	50
Main Name	Jampa Chung	Religion	Tibetan Buddhist (Gelug)
Chinese Characters (Main Name)	强巴琼(音), 强巴群	Occupation	monk, abbot assistant
Alternate Name (Lay or Pen)	Jinglag	Affiliation	Tashi Lhunpo Mon.
Additional Name(s)		Residence Province	Tibet [Xizang] Auto. Region
Pinyin Name	Qiangba Qiong, Qiangba Qun	Residence Prefecture	Rikaze [Shigatse] Pref.
		Residence County	Rikaze [Shigatse] Shi (cty.)

Imprisonment or Detention Details

Date of Detention	1995/07/11
Current Prison	TAR (general location)
Sentence Length (Years)	4
Sentence Length (Months)	
Sentence Length (Weeks)	
Sentence Length (Days)	
Province Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Tibet [Xizang] Auto. Region
Prefecture Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	(na)
County Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	(na)

Legal Process

Legal Process	chg/tri/sent/rel	Formal Arrest Date	
Trial Court		Trial Date	
Sentence Court	Rikaze [Shigatse] Intermediate People's Court	Sentence Date	1997/04/21
Appeal Court		Appeal Date	
Appeal Ruling Court		Appeal Ruling Date	
Sent. Ends Per PRC		Actual Date Released	1999/07/10
Charge (Statute)			

Short Summary

Jampa Chung, born in 1945 in Lhatse county, Shigatse prefecture, TAR, was a monk at Tashilhunpo Monastery. He assisted the abbot, Chadrel Rinpoche, in duties that included leading the search for a reincarnation of the Panchen Lama. On May 17, 1995, three days after the Dalai Lama announced his recognition of Gedun Choekyi Nyima as the 11th Panchen Lama, Chadrel Rinpoche was taken into custody. Jampa Chung was detained on July 11. Xinhua reported in 1997 that they were accused of crimes including "disclosing state secrets" (the names of boys under consideration), and "colluding with separatist forces abroad" (the Dalai Lama). They were tried in closed court on April 21, 1997, along with a third man, Samdrub, and sentenced in open session on May 5. Xinhua reported that Jampa Chung defended himself and did not appeal his 4-year sentence. According to an unconfirmed report in August 2003, he remained under some form of custody. TCHRD reported (24 November 10) that Jampa Chung passed away on November 13, 2010, in Shigatse city. After his 1999 release he was kept "constantly under strict surveillance." This record includes data from Tibet Information Network.