

# EXECUTION VANS, ORGAN HARVESTING — BUSINESS AS USUAL IN CHINA

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## Jinguan Auto's Execution For many years, it has Van

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For many years, it has been known that China uses **execution vans**, kind of like specially outfitted ambulances, to more

efficiently carry out its exceedingly large number of executions. The method of killing in these vans is **lethal injection**, which has been slowly but surely replacing the firing squad as China's preferred means of execution, and both lethal injection and the vans are believed to facilitate the widespread practice of **harvesting organs of the executed prisoners**, an unbelievably appalling practice.

In October 2006, *Sky News* did a compelling video report – <u>China's Execution Buses</u> – on the death penalty in China, including a discussion of the vans and organ harvesting, as well as cases of innocence, and the plight of death penalty defense lawyer <u>Gao Zhisheng</u> who has been harassed and detained since at least 2006, and who was once again detained on February 4 of this year.

Today, a story in the <u>Irish Times</u> discusses these vans, and the Chinese automaker that manufactures and sells them – <u>Jinguan Auto</u>. (The execution van itself is here.)

In the months leading up to the Olympics, there
were a number of hints and statements that reforms
in China's death penalty were being seriously
considered, including a declaration from the Chinatelpus improve by sharing
Medical Association "not to transplant organs from
prisoners or others in custody, except into members

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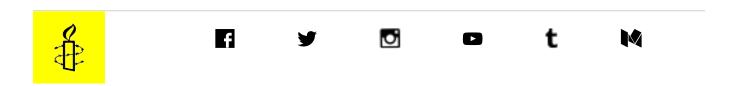
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