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## **Executive Summary**

On September 18, 2007, the Ministry of National Defense (MND) announced plans to allow conscientious objectors to perform alternative civilian service, which was supposed to start in January 2009. In addition, at the Universal Periodic Review held in Geneva on May 7, 2008, Chief of Human Rights Division of MND confirmed the position of Korea to introduce alternative service for conscientious objectors. However, the Lee Myung-bak administration, which was not in favour of introducing the alternative service ever since he has been a candidate for the Korean presidential election, has altered its position. In late December of 2008, the Ministry of Defense released to the media the difficulty of implementing alternative service system, referring to a result of consensus conducted by the Military Manpower Administration (MMA). They had commissioned to look into the possibility to allow conscientious objectors to serve in non-military programs. However the study itself was flawed. As a result, presently, the issue of whether or not to provide alternative service for conscientious objectors is back to the beginning. Up until now, more than 15,000 have been imprisoned for their objection to military service since Korea's liberation from Japan in 1945 and in particular, more than 5,000 have gone through their imprisonment since 2000, the year when the issue of conscientious objection began to be discussed in public. Numbers of trials were suspended while waiting for the introduction of alternative service. However due to the current announcement of the government to cancel the alternative service system, the number of conscientious objectors in prison, which was reduced to 450, is expected to rise beyond 1,000.

Currently more and more cases of discharged servicemen refusing reserve military drills have been reported. However, their situation is worse than those of conscientious objectors. After finishing military service, one has to get the training for the reserved army for 8 years. If one refuses to be mustered for reserve drills, he either pays a fine of 5 million won (about 4,000 USD) or less, or gets sentenced up to 3 years in jail, according to Article 15, Clause 4 of the Establishment of Homeland Reserve Forces Act. Even after this punishment, the duty of getting training in the reserved army will be imposed repeatedly until the training period of 8 years ends. Actually even if one was punished because of refusal of the training, whenever one refuses it, the same punishment has been imposed over and over. Hence the fines are accumulated which becomes too much for an objector to pay and thus threatens his life.

At the moment, implementing alternative service for conscientious objectors seems to

start from the scratch. Just last year there was a riot police who declared his conscientious objection to the military. He was mobilized to suppress the candlelight demonstrations, which was triggered by importing US beefs. His objection questioned the illogical system of conscripted riot police to be discussed in public. Nevertheless, he received more severe punishment of two-year imprisonment for his disobedience, than ordinary conscientious objectors who usually get 1 an half year's imprisonment.

While the government overturned their plan, the 'Presidential Commission on Suspicious Death in the Military in Korea' released its decision on January 2009 that the Korean government is responsible for death of five Jehovah's Witnesses who were illegally hauled and inducted by force into the army. Their death was result of "the state's anti-human rights violence" and "its acts of brutality" in the 1970s and mid 1980s. However, the government did not make any comment on this matter. There have been changes in the judiciary practices regarding custody of conscientious objectors, where it started to make decisions to arrest conscientious objectors even before opening of their trial. This is contrary to the previous practice that conscientious objectors can attend their court hearings without being in custody. Despite the oppression from the government, around 400 conscientious objectors keep coming out per year to the world, which dare to choose to be in prison.

#### 1. Outline of Military Service Regulations

Military Service in the Republic of Korea operates under a universal conscription system, according to the Military Service Act. Those who are eligible for conscription are assigned to one of two categories of service: active military service or supplementary military service. The period of the active military service is 24 months<sup>1</sup> including 5 weeks of basic military training. Those who complete active military service duties are subsequently assigned to the reserve forces and must perform approximately 160 hours of military training for a period of 8 years. The period of service for supplementary military service is 26 to 36 months and includes 4 weeks of basic military training, as required by the Military Service Act of the Republic of Korea. Supplementary military service, a form of alternative labor service, is granted based on factors such as physical or mental deficiencies, level or quality of academic achievements, special family circumstances, or being skilled in a special or unusual profession, as specified under the Military Service Act. According to Articles 26-33 Military Service Act supplementary military service will mainly be performed as public service personnel at national or local government agencies, public organizations, or in social welfare facilities, for the purpose of public interests. Those who complete supplementary military service are then also transferred to the reserve forces. However, the Military Service Act does not have any regulation for genuine civilian alternative services for conscientious objectors.

Those who were qualified as such specialists could fulfill their supplementary military service duties by working as a researcher or technician at a company. All others who are eligible for supplementary service are limited to those with physical or mental deficiencies or special family circumstances, which are subject to the judgment and decision of the Office of Military Manpower Administration, under the current Military Service Act. Therefore, those who are determined as eligible for active military service are not given any opportunity for alternative labor service in the supplementary military service. Furthermore, supplementary military service also includes 4 weeks of basic military training. Since conscientious objectors refuse to receive such military training, they are rejected even when they are trained in special or unusual professions, as

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Since January 2008, the period of active military service has been deescalated and will be reduced to 18 months in the Army, 20 months in the Navy, and 21 months in the Air Force. Unlike the Army, the Navy and the Air Force are under a voluntary military service system.

applied to alternative labor services. The Military Service Act only has stipulations for punishment on the non-performance of military service duties<sup>2</sup>. It has to be highlighted that the Military Service Act dos not include any provision for conscientious objection. The UN Special Rapporteur on Religious Freedom pointed out in his report of 2001 that this is not in compliance with Article 18 of the ICCPR, especially general comment No. 22.<sup>3</sup>.

#### 2. Conscientious Objection to Military Service

Conscientious objectors have never been allowed in Korea. There is no exception since Korea had been independent of colony of Japan, and has established government while carrying out military service. Most conscientious objectors are Jehovah's Witnesses, including some Seventh Day Adventists. The time when criticism about the army was prohibited in excuse of the security circumstance, nobody was interested in existence of conscientious objectors. One of the major causes is deep-rooted prejudice about Jehovah's Witnesses. At the beginning of 2001, the situation of conscientious objectors widely known through a news of a weekly magazine. After this non-Jehovah's Witnesses have come out, this issue has appeared as important social issue.

Conscientious objectors are usually sentenced 1 year and 6 month and imprisoned. But some people exceptionally get more than 1 year and 6 month. This sentence is the least sentence that is impossible to enter the army. This is an achievement while conscientious objectors problems became socially publicized. But conscientious objectors are often excluded from pardoned and reinstated list after there realize. Although the former government at the end discussed the reinstatement of conscientious objectors, they canceled it because there are too many people.

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number	656	646	826	565	756	831	783	571	377

Table 1 the annual number of prisoners of military objection since 2000

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The provisions of Article 88 of the Military Service Act stipulates the imprisonment of three years or less for objection to active military service, and provisions of Article 90 of the Military Service Act stipulates the imprisonment of 6 months or less or a fine of up to 2 million won for objection to military training of the reserve forces.

Report submitted by Mr. Abdelfattah Amor, Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, in accordance with Commission on Human Rights resolution 2002/40 (paragraphs 65-68), 15 January 2003, http://www.hri.ca/fortherecord2003/documentation/commission/e-cn4-2003-66.htm

The people who are imprisoned as conscientious objector go over 15, 000. More than 5, 000 young people were imprisoned after 2000. As of December 2008, 432 people are being imprisoned. But these figures are expected to go up, considering the fact that many Jehovah's Witnesses have put off their entering to the army or court day since government has announced alternative civilian service plans. However the numbers are steadily increasing and expected to surpass 1000, since Ministry of National Defense (MND) has referred cancellation of alternative service.

Most of the conscientious objector's declare objection to the military when they become enlisted however in some cases become COs while they are serving in the military. Especially in the case of Giljun Lee who was serving the military as a riot police<sup>4</sup> not soldier, refused orders to suppress the civilians engaged in candlelight demonstration. Normally prison sentence for COs is 1 year 6 months where else Giljun Lee was exceptionally sentenced for 2 years. He was additionally penalized for police defamation

#### 2-1. Korean Government cancels Alternative Civilian Service Plan

On September 18, 2007, the Ministry of National Defense (MND) announced plans to allow conscientious objectors to perform alternative civilian service. One spokesman of the MND said that the MND would submit such a bill during 2008 in order to have it enacted in 2009.

On May 7, 2008, Lee, Sung-ju, Chief of Human Rights Division of MND confirmed the position of Korea at the Universal Periodic Review held in Geneva, when he stated: "The Republic of Korea announced a new programme to give conscientious objectors the opportunity to participate in alternative in civilian service, in September 2007. For the implementation of the new system, the Government has to revise the Military Service Act, and a revised version of it will be submitted to the National Assembly this year (2008)."

On May 29, 2008, the *United Nations Human Rights Council* recommended to the Republic of Korea as it is noted in the draft report of the working group on the universal periodic review:

17. To recognize the right of conscientious objection by law, to decriminalize

<sup>4</sup> Riot police system has been criticized for a long time in Korean society, where it uses enlisted soldiers as riot police. Riot police system is a clear violation of Convention concerning Forced or Compulsory labour, No. 29 by International Labour Organization (ILO) where it is illegal to use the

force for any other purpose other than military duties.

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refusal of active military service and to remove any current prohibition from employment in Government or public organizations, in line with the recommendation by the Human Rights Committee. (Slovenia)

24. ... [T]hat active steps be taken to introduce alternatives to military service for conscientious objectors. (United Kingdom)

However, on June 16, 2008, the Korean Government altered its position by stating, in the report containing Views and State's Response to the UPR Recommendations (A/HRC/8/40/Add.1), that "the issue of conscientious objection to military service required further study and the forging of a broad national consensus."

Responding to this, on July 21, 2008, the National Human Rights Commission once again adopted a resolution urging the Government of Korea to implement alternative civilian service.

On August 22, 2008, the Military Manpower Administration (MMA) commissioned Professor Jin, Seok-yong working at Daejon University to conduct a study to look into the possibility to allow conscientious objectors to serve instead in non-military programs.

On September 5, 2008, a three-judge panel of an appellant division of the Choonchun District Court decided to combine four separate appeal cases of young conscientious objectors who are Jehovah's Witnesses and to refer these cases to the Constitutional Court. The Court was asked to review the constitutionality of Article 88, Section 1 of the Military Service Act. The following day, a conscientious objector who had been declared innocent at trial but convicted on appeal, submitted his case directly to the Constitutional Court. The Constitutional Court will now have the occasion to revisit its 2004 decision in which it had refused to declare Article 88, Section 1 of the Military Service Act unconstitutional.

On October 9, 2008, the National Assembly conducted an inspection on the administration of government offices. At this, Kim, Jang-su, former Minister of National Defense who is now an Assemblyman strongly urged the Korean government to keep the promise to implement alternative service. Another assemblyman of an opposing political party also inquired of the director of the Military Manpower Administration what had been done about alternative service? The director avoided any direct comments on this by saying that he was not in charge of the implementation and the study was being conducted.

On October 28, 2008, the Center for Social Science in Seoul National University held a public hearing and gathered public opinion about alternative service. This was a part of the study of Professor Jin commissioned by MMA. At the hearing, there was release of

the results of the public opinion, conducted of 554 men and women in experts groups or the leadership class. The opinion was 87.5% for alternative services and accepting the counsel from U.N. Regarding the length of period of service, 62.8% thought that it should be less than 1.5 times the military service period. These 62.8% include 17.9% who are thinking that it should be equal to the military service period.

On December 19, 2008, Professor Jin concluded his study, but the result of his study was twisted and arbitrarily interpreted by MND. On December 24, 2008, the Korean Ministry of National Defense publicly announced that it was still too early to allow alternative service for objectors to military service based on religious conviction. (Reuters, December 24, 2008 "South Korea rethinks alternative to conscription") The main reason it gives is that an opinion survey conducted by Professor Jin's team from November 17 to 21 showed that 68.1 percent of the country is opposed to the idea.

The public consensus was one part of Professor Jin's study. The actual conclusion of the final report of his study was that Korean government should implement alternative services for conscientious objectors. However, the Ministry of Defense announced the difficulty to implement alternative service system to the media, pointing out the result of consensus only, which is just a small part of the study. (Hankook Daily January 7, 2009 "the government highlighted the survey result only") According to a newspaper (Daejeon News December 26, 2008 "Defense Ministry prematurely announced its objection to alternative service"), Professor Jin was very much offended to hear the announcement of the Korean Ministry of Defense, for it was contrary to what he really intended.

The MND simply chose to ignore the survey of opinion leaders released at the public hearing on December 19, 2008, where 85.5 percent of respondents indicated that they are in favor or alternative service. In fact, survey results have had showed different opinions according to who the survey was carried out by and what the intentions was. For example, polls conducted in September 2007 and in September 2008, by 'Realmeter Institute' (www.realmeter.net), a professional organization for a public opinion census, proved that the opinion in favor of alternative services has gained momentum. According to Realmeter, only 35.5 percent of Koreans were in favor of alternative services in September 2007. But in 2008, the public opinion was 44.3 percent for and 38.7 percent against alternative services, with those in favor much more than those in opposition. Another poll conducted by '961 Sample' institute revealed that a large number of Koreans (55.9 percent) tend to recognize conscientious objection. What is more significant is that the Ministry of Defense, when announcing to introduce alternative civilian service for conscientious objectors on September 18, 2007, referred

to the survey conducted by KBS, a broadcasting company where 50.2% of respondents consented to introducing an alternative form of service.

Actually, the opinion survey conducted from November 17 to 21, 2008 did not give necessary detailed information about conscientious objection and alternative services before asking opinions. That's why some media such as TV (MBC December 24, 2008 "Alternative Service virtually called off, KBS December 24, 2008 "Public poll put off alternative service"), and newspapers blamed the Ministry for using biased opinion surveys to support its change in policy (Hankyoreh December 25, 2008 "How many more prisoners of conscience?"). Public consensus should be examined not merely for justifying their excuses, but for finding way to solve the problem. Professor Jin said that the more information about alternative services people get, the more favorable they become (NewsNJoy, February 15, 2009 "I feel deceived too"). Even though it is not plainly possible to reach public consensus, the violation of human rights of social minorities, which has been widely practiced for more than a half century, should not be handled from a standpoint of the majority which claims that alternative service can be offered only on the basis of public consensus.

So far, Korean government has not carried out its duty to implement alternative civilian services. The last National Assembly submitted a bill of alternative service, but the bill was repealed as the National Assembly completed its office. Lawmakers of the 18<sup>th</sup> National Assembly have not yet submitted a bill about alternative service.

Unfortunately, for approximately 60 years, the Republic of Korea has convicted almost 14,000 conscientious objectors to over 27,000 years in prison. Every year, 400 to 700 draft-age men who are Jehovah's Witnesses are convicted and are usually sentenced to 18 months in prison. Conscientious objectors who are called up as reservists must face multiple prosecutions and repeated punishments over an eight-year period. As of December 31, 2008, there were 428 people imprisoned. Additionally, over 80 Witnesses are subjected to repeated fines totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars because of conscientious objection to military reserve duty. Korea convicts and imprisons the largest number of conscientious objectors to military service in comparison to any other country in the world.

#### 2-2. recent developments related with CO issues

While the MB administration refused to establish alternative service, there have been some important developments concerning conscientious objection to military service.

On November 6, 2007, the *Presidential Commission on Suspicious Deaths in the Military* (CSD) decided to examine the death of five conscientious objectors who had refused to serve in the army during the 1970's and 1980's. The cases to be examined include the death of Jeong, Sang-bok, who died right after refusing military training in 1976, and the death of Kim, Sun-tae, whose dead body was found near the training camp in 1981. In its press release, the CSD stated that a thorough investigation would be made to determine the reasons why these conscientious objectors had been subjected to harsh treatment.

On January 15, 2009, the *Presidential Commission on Suspicious Death* in the Military in Korea released its decision that the Korean government is responsible for deaths of five Jehovah's Witnesses who were illegally hauled and inducted by force into the army. The deaths resulted from "the state's anti-human rights violence" and "its acts of brutality" in the 1970s and mid 1980s. According to the decision, "the beatings and acts of brutality committed against them by military officers were attempts to compel and coerce them to act against their conscience (religion) and were unconstitutional, anti-human rights acts that infringed severely upon the freedom of conscience (religion) guaranteed in the Constitution." This decision is significant because it acknowledges that the deaths of those conscientious objectors were caused by state violence.

As an example, the military record shows that Jeong, Sang-bok died of a disease however the Commission found out that he died from beatings and harsh treatments. Lee, Choon-gil and Kim, Jong-sik also died as a result of forcible marching followed by beatings and harsh treatments in the military. The Commission admits that the government is highly responsible for the deaths of five objectors including Kim, Seontae and Kim, Young-geun, because many evidence show that they were brutally abused before they died. The decision explains why most of 10,000 conscientious objectors in Korea have to deal with life-long health problems and post-traumatic stress. It also proves that their conscience is an earnest and strong command from the heart that can never be forsaken, and that should be protected by the State party. Because the Ministry has not presented any dissenting opinions, the decision has come into effect after 2-month period.

On April 18, 2007, Judge Song, Seung-yong of the Ulsan District Court suspended the trial of Shin Dong-hyuk, over which he was presiding, and filed a request with the Constitutional Court asking for a determination of constitutionality of sections of the Homeland Army Reserve Act. The judge has requested that the Constitutional Court review Articles 6(1) and 15(8) of the Homeland Army Reserve Act, which forms the

basis for the indictment against Shin Dong-hyuk, in light of Article 19 of the Constitution, which guarantees the right to freedom of conscience.

On January 7, 2008, the director of the National Human Rights Committee submitted an opinion to the Constitutional Court, urging the Korean government not to penalize conscientious objectors to reserve military service and to implement alternative service along with recognition of the right to conscientiously object to military service.

The mentioned circumstances around conscientious objection show the importance of this issue in the Korean Society.

#### 2-3. Complaints pending in the UN human rights committee

On May 2007, 11 new complaints were filed with the UNHRC by imprisoned conscientious objectors who are COs not based on religious reasons like Jehovah's Witnesses.

From September 21, 2007 until November 6, 2007, 100 new complaints were filed with the UNHRC by imprisoned conscientious objectors who are Jehovah's Witnesses. On December 7, 2007, these complaints were communicated to the Government of Korea.

By April 25, 2008, an additional 388 new complaints were filed with the UNHRC. On April 29, 2008, the UNHRC combined these 388 complaints into the case identified as communication No. 1786/2008 on behalf of Mr. Jong-nam Kim et al. and communicated these the Government of Korea.

The Korean Government's reply on the communications filed by COs based on religious reason and not religious one were submitted to the UNHRC dated 14 November 2008, and Comments on the Korean Government's reply on behalf of the 11 COs was handed in to the UNHRC on 23 February, 2009. Therefore, the dialogue is still going on and the consideration by the UNHRC will be followed accordingly.

## 432 Conscientious Objectors to Military Service in Prison (As of December 2008)

## <Gangneung Prison>

No.	Name	P.N.	Birth Date	State	Date detained	Sentence
1	Kim Dohyeong	240	20-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	22-Dec-07	18 months
2	Kim Jinsu	182	15-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	03-Apr-08	18 months
3	Nam Yongbi	208	05-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	22-Dec-07	18 months
4	Park Jaeyun	221	17-Nov-82	Decision confirmed	18-Feb-08	18 months
5	Go Seokgeun	217	26-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	12-Jun-08	18 months
6	Jang Deokhun	287	26-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	29-Nov-07	18 months
7	Kim Hyeongtae	3185	08-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	17-Sep-08	18 months

#### <Gongju Prison>

8	Kim Seongbae	841	02-Jan-88	Decision confirmed	04-Jan-08	18 months
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#### <Gwangju Prison>

9	Gang Janguk		27-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	07-Aug-08	18 months
10	Kim Jeongguk		22-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	30-Jun-07	18 months
11	Kim Jeongu	1493	31-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	15-Mar-07	18 months
12	Mun Yeoju		16-Nov-83	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-08	18 months
13	Bae Jongjin	958	30-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	23-Nov-07	18 months
14	Seo Sangwon		17-Jun-83	Decision confirmed	25-Sep-08	18 months
15	Jeon Byeonggi	334	03-Oct-83	Decision confirmed	13-Dec-07	18 months
16	Jeong Woongjin		12-Jun-88	Decision confirmed	01-Oct-08	18 months
17	Jin Daegyun		28-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	24-Sep-08	18 months
18	Choi Won		21-Sep-82	Decision confirmed	16-Oct-08	18 months

19	Kim Gangguk	1864	17-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	08-Jul-08	18 months	
20	Kim Yongseon		11-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	08-Sep-08	18 months	

#### <Gunsan Prison>

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28	Park Gwanyeong	392	31-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	21-Dec-07	18 months
29	Kim Hanmin	324	13-May-85	Decision confirmed	23-Apr-08	18 months
30	Park Seongmin	123	16-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	18-Feb-08	18 months
31	Park Seunggil	549	08-Apr-80	Decision confirmed	29-Aug-07	18 months
32	Gang Hyeonsik	1361	18-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	30-Jun-07	24 months
33	Kim Boseok	175	14-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	24-Jan-08	18 months
34	Seo Jiwon	154	14-Oct-84	Decision confirmed	08-Aug-07	18 months
35	Yun Min		16-Dec-85	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-08	18 months
36	Kim Haesang		06-Apr-88	Decision confirmed	13-Nov-08	18 months

#### <Gimcheon Juvenile Prison>

37	Kim Daeyeon	780	17-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	16-May-08	18 months	
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#### <Nonsan Prison>

38	Eo Donggyu	470	28-Jul-80	Decision confirmed	20-Oct-08	18 months
39	Park Mingyu	173	26-May-87	Decision confirmed	26-Nov-07	18 months
40	Park Eungyu	339	16-Feb-83	Decision confirmed	23-May-08	18 months
41	Park Junyeong	499	09-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	26-Nov-07	18 months
42	Hong Seokho	348	28-May-85	Decision confirmed	26-Nov-07	18 months
43	Kim Jaepil	325	06-Jul-88	Decision confirmed	26-Nov-08	18 months

## <Daegu Prison>

44	Yun Seongwon	2240	23-Oct-85	Decision confirmed	29-Nov-07	18 months
45	Lee Minu	1386	02-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	15-Feb-08	18 months
46	Kim Gyuseong		09-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	16-May-08	18 months
47	Kim Deoksu	2702	10-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	02-May-08	18 months
48	Kim Jin	3997	31-Mar-86	Decision confirmed		18 months
49	Kim Jinhyeong	2146	10-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	19-Mar-08	18 months

50	Noh Hyeoncheol	1027	13-May-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
51	Park Sanghyeon	1087	04-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	02-Oct-07	18 months
52	Leem Gwangmin	837	03-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	20-May-08	18 months
53	Kim Hyoin		28-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	17-Oct-08	18 months
54	Gwon Yeonguk	2039	10-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	08-Jan-08	18 months
55	Kim Cheolmin	3375	28-Sep-85	Decision confirmed	10-Mar-08	18 months
56	Woo Beomseok	2038	11-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	18-Feb-07	18 months
57	Lee Taeseop	3262	26-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	16-Jan-08	18 months
58	Bae Yongui	2234	15-Jul-82	Decision confirmed	29-Aug-07	18 months
59	Son Jinhyeon		30-Mar-88	Decision confirmed	25-Feb-08	18 months
60	Hong Seonghun	3854	29-May-87	Decision confirmed	31-Oct-07	18 months
61	Jang Donghui		26-Dec-88	Decision confirmed	20-Nov-08	18 months

## <Daegu Detention Center>

62	Kim Mujin	1821	11-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	08-Apr-08	18 months
63	Kim Huirak	752	27-Feb-85	Decision confirmed	25-Jan-08	18 months
64	Park Seonjin	948	26-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	02-Apr-07	18 months
65	Son Hyeonho	949	31-Dec-86	Decision confirmed		18 months
66	Yun Hyeonu	643	07-Jan-84	Decision confirmed	23-Sep-08	18 months
67	Leem Seongmin	946	27-Sep-85	Decision confirmed	18-Jun-08	18 months
68	Kim Yeongmin	527	05-May-87	Decision confirmed	23-Oct-07	18 months
69	Sin Jeongcheol	1545	22-Jan-85	Decision confirmed	14-Sep-07	18 months
70	Lee Seonghun	947	04-Sep-86	Decision confirmed		18 months

## <Daejeon Prison>

71	Lee Huiseung	887	21-Nov-88	Trial Court	30-Oct-08	
72	Park Taeu	1888	10-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	28-May-07	18 months
73	Kim Seunggu	1333	22-Dec-84	Decision confirmed	08-May-07	18 months
74	Lee Jonghyeon	1694	04-Apr-82	Decision confirmed	08-May-07	18 months
75	Han Junhui	681	17-Sep-82	Decision confirmed	01-May-08	18 months
76	Gu Hyoseong	393	13-Jan-88	Decision confirmed	27-Mar-08	18 months
77	Gwon yeokseong	2534	01-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	08-Jun-07	18 months

78	Park Jiho	6427	21-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	30-Apr-07	18 months
79	Park Taehyeon	3066	15-Mar-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
80	Son Jinyeong	2917	25-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	03-Apr-07	18 months
81	Sin Sanghun	2913	08-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	30-Jan-08	18 months
82	Woo Junho	692	13-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	03-Jul-08	18 months
83	Lee Jaeyeol	935	23-Apr-88	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-08	18 months
84	Lee Taeku	280	12-Jul-84	Decision confirmed	17-Jun-07	18 months
85	Jang Taesu	2919	23-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-07	18 months
86	Jeon Hyeseong	2916	05-Jan-88	Decision confirmed	19-Sep-08	18 months
87	Choi Wangyu	2737	17-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	20-Nov-07	18 months
88	Kim Yugeon	400	09-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	27-Jun-07	18 months
89	Lee Gyuho	1122	10-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	31-Mar-08	18 months
90	Lee Dusong	2222	19-Jul-85	Decision confirmed		18 months
91	Lee Hansong	2756	19-Jul-85	Decision confirmed		18 months
92	Jo Yonghui	834	19-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	21-Aug-08	18 months
93	Yun Seokbin	2914	01-Sep-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
94	Jeong Jaeyeong	1828	22-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	26-May-08	18 months
95	Song Jonghun		29-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	05-Dec-08	18 months
96	Ha Seungju	262	24-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	18-Oct-08	18 months
97	Yu Hojun		07-Jun-88	Decision confirmed		18 months

#### <Masan Prison>

98	Kim Dogyun	247	28-Nov-82	Decision confirmed	04-Apr-08	18 months
99	Lee Beomjun	1083	09-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	16-Jun-08	18 months
100	Gwak Modeum	2115	26-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	04-Sep-08	18 months
101	Kim Donggyeong	1785	17-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	29-May-08	18 months
102	Kim Hyeonu	759	01-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	14-Feb-08	18 months
103	Kim Hwanok	472	25-Feb-83	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months
104	Seong Jinsu	1609	09-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	24-Jul-08	18 months
105	An Taehwan	1869	02-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	04-Apr-08	18 months
106	Oh Geuntaek	735	23-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	30-Sep-08	18 months
107	Ohng Jaehyeon	1281	01-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months

108	Lee Jaeyeol	451	15-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	14-Aug-08	18 months
109	Jang Seongmin	2137	01-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	11-Sep-08	18 months
110	Gang Hyeonhui	1773	22-May-85	Decision confirmed	20-Dec-07	18 months
111	Nam Hyeongjin	1882	18-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	27-May-08	18 months
112	Park Ssang	1805	20-Jul-84	Decision confirmed		18 months
113	Bae Seulong	1420	02-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	19-Oct-08	18 months
114	Ban Wongon	1247	28-Oct-87	Decision confirmed		18 months

## <Mokpo Prison>

115	Kim Jaerang	401	14-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	31-Jul-08	18 months
116	Yun Gwangseop	585	11-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	23-Sep-08	18 months
117	Kim Hyeongcheol	234	20-Jul-86	Decision confirmed	02-Nov-07	18 months
118	Park Myeonggyun	606	25-May-86	Decision confirmed	30-Nov-07	18 months
119	Yu Siyeong	633	16-Mar-82	Decision confirmed	23-Nov-07	18 months
120	Lee Gyeongmin	1384	13-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	21-Aug-07	18 months
121	Cheon Jeonghwan	337	26-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	30-Oct-07	18 months
122	Ha Huisu	341	13-Sep-85	Decision confirmed	30-Apr-08	18 months
123	Gang Chungseong	472	24-Dec-89	Decision confirmed	17-Oct-08	18 months
124	Choi Hyeongjin	448	16-Sep-83	Decision confirmed	21-Dec-07	18 months
125	Kim Daegun	424	10-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	17-Dec-08	18 months

#### <Busan Detention Center>

126	Kim Sunjong	1683	13-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	25-Mar-08	18 months
127	Kim Jeonghwan	1556	20-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-08	18 months
128	Kim Jihun	1713	21-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	20-Oct-08	18 months
129	Kim Jinseung	2680	01-Apr-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
130	Kim Chanu	1630	12-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	14-Aug-08	18 months
131	Nam Seongbong	2104	02-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	24-Jun-08	18 months
132	Bae Yeongwon	1872	04-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	28-Jan-08	18 months
133	Lee Seonghun	1890	14-Sep-85	Decision confirmed	20-Apr-07	18 months
134	Lee Jinhwa	2193	27-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	16-Jul-07	18 months
135	Jeon Junu	1867	21-Jul-86	Decision confirmed	30-Jun-07	18 months

136	Jeong Jongmin	3703	15-Mar-82	Decision confirmed	03-Jul-07	18 months
137	Jo Yeongmin	2668	30-Jan-84	Decision confirmed		18 months
138	Choi Sangyeong	3895	05-Mar-86	Decision confirmed	15-Feb-08	18 months
139	Hong Jeongpyo	1603	16-Jan-84	Decision confirmed	08-Mar-07	18 months
140	Hwang Sunmin	3962	28-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	31-May-07	18 months
141	Gang Gyeonggeon	2729	03-Dec-85	Decision confirmed	31-Oct-07	18 months
142	Kim Hyebin	3326	27-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	31-Jul-07	18 months
143	Lee Myeonguk	3553	30-Aug-83	Decision confirmed	13-Aug-08	18 months
144	Lee Jaeyeong	1759	31-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	28-Oct-07	18 months
145	Lee Jeongho	2030	03-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	30-Apr-08	18 months
146	Park Sucheol	2348	07-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-07	18 months
147	Kim Geonu	2793	24-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	21-Dec-07	18 months
148	Jeong Jonggwan		17-Jun-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
149	Son Hogil	2648	25-Jul-86	Decision confirmed	01-Nov-07	18 months
150	Song Boeun	3039	19-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	13-Jul-07	18 months
151	Kim Geonyeong		11-Jul-82	Decision confirmed		18 months
152	Kim Suho		08-Aug-84	Decision confirmed	10-Dec-08	18 months
153	Choi Hanbyeol		26-Jun-88	Decision confirmed		18 months
154	Hong Sujong		07-Jan-85	Decision confirmed		18 months
155	Park Gangwon			Decision confirmed		18 months
156	Lee Sangjae	1727	08-May-86	Decision confirmed	31-Jul-08	18 months
157	Yang Gwangho		25-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	18-Dec-08	18 months

#### <Seosan Detention Center>

158	Yun Yohan	159	25-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	13-Dec-07	18 months	

#### <Seoul Detention Center>

159	Jo Homyeong	3727	25-Jun-86	Trial Court		
160	Kim Jigwan		12-Jun-80	Supreme Court	27-Nov-08	18 months
161	Oh Dongseok		05-Jan-81	Supreme Court	27-Nov-08	18 months
162	Lee Jeonghwa			Supreme Court	27-Nov-08	18 months
163	Yu Myeongjae	2898	03-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	04-Oct-07	18 months

164	Lee Minhui	3046	09-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	04-Mar-08	18 months
165	Leem Yunsu	2334	01-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	29-May-08	18 months
166	Baek Jiu	3893	04-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	28-Mar-08	18 months
167	Gang Minseong	3849	24-Jul-82	Decision confirmed	18-Feb-08	18 months
168	Kim Gabo	2739	18-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	17-Apr-08	18 months
169%	Kim Minseop	209200%	3147700%	Decision confirmed	3956200%	18 months
170	Kim Seongjin	4549	10-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	18-Apr-08	18 months
171	Kim Sunmin	1289	??-??-79	Decision confirmed	17_Nov-08	18 months
172	Kim Jinu	3967	28-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	30-Sep-07	18 months
173	Kim Hyeonjun	1996	24-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	11-Apr-08	18 months
174	Na Jeongmin	1692	07-Oct-73	Decision confirmed	08-Jul-08	18 months
175	Noh Amin	2337	11-May-87	Decision confirmed	31-Jan-08	18 months
176	Park Dongjin	2217	20-May-87	Decision confirmed	14-Dec-07	18 months
177	Park Junseok	2088	09-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	29-Jul-08	18 months
178	Park Chanho	2725	19-Jan-84	Decision confirmed	12-Feb-08	18 months
179	Seo Jingyu	2148	22-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	23-May-08	18 months
180	Seo Cheol	1832	15-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	24-Sep-08	18 months
181	Song Jiseong	1157	28-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	10-Apr-08	18 months
182	Oh Geunyeong	2121	12-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	17-Apr-08	18 months
183	Lee Geonseok	2920	17-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	08-Jan-08	18 months
184	Lee Giljun	2467	10-Jan-84	Supreme Court	07-Aug-08	20 months
185	Lee Giun	3363	24-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	27-Dec-07	18 months
186	Lee Diel	2283	12-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	11-Apr-08	18 months
187	Lee Jiun	2797	09-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	14-Nov-07	18 months
188	Lee Chanhui	2792	19-May-87	Decision confirmed	07-Dec-07	18 months
189	Leem Seonghun	3074	14-May-83	Decision confirmed	08-May-08	18 months
190	Jang Leendeok	1472	25-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	31-Jan-08	18 months
191	Jeong Gijong	2024	06-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	22-May-08	18 months
192	Jo Seongju	2800	02-Mar-83	Decision confirmed	12-Nov-07	18 months
193	Choi Minjae	2965	17-May-87	Decision confirmed	13-Feb-08	18 months
194	Choi Yeongjun	3281	23-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	19-Feb-08	18 months
195	Choi Yujong	3772	28-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	08-May-08	18 months

196	Ha Jinho	2022	23-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	14-Feb-08	18 months
197	Ham Sangyun	3081	13-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	29-May-08	18 months
198	Hyeon Gibeom	4578	15-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	04-Aug-08	18 months
199	Lee Seungyun	2321	19-Feb-85	Decision confirmed	13-Mar-08	18 months
200	Leem Hyonam	2602	03-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	16-Jul-08	18 months
201	Jeong Gyunmo	1833	17-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	27-Feb-08	18 months
202	Jo Daeyeon	1802	21-Mar-83	Decision confirmed	31-Aug-07	18 months
203	Gwon Yeongjin	1308	12-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	13-Nov-07	18 months
204	Bae Byeongchun	2254	16-Feb-84	Decision confirmed	03-Apr-08	18 months
205	Yeom Deokho	1465	11-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	25-Jun-08	18 months
206	Choi Geunyeong	2916	03-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	04-Jan-08	18 months
207	Ha Jaewon	3535	01-Jun-84	Decision confirmed	06-May-08	18 months
208	Lee Honggyun		06-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	19-Dec-08	18 months
209	Seo Hanbyeol	1230	11-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	05-Nov-07	18 months

## <Seongdong Detention Center>

210	Kim Pyojun	2573	07-Nov-87	Trial Court	24-Oct-08	
211	Kim Hyeongi	1285	09-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	15-Apr-08	18 months
212	Lee Ganghui	2329	28-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	24-Oct-07	18 months
213	Seo Yeongjin	250	29-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	04-Dec-07	18 months
214	Go Yeongju	2295	14-May-82	Decision confirmed	17-Apr-08	18 months
215	Kim Gyumin	2198	27-Dec-85	Decision confirmed	31-Jul-08	18 months
216	Kim Seonggon	2137	30-May-85	Decision confirmed	01-Jun-07	18 months
217	Park Jeongseo	1880	02-Sep-85	Decision confirmed	04-Jun-08	18 months
218	Son Jeongho	1839	24-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	21-May-08	18 months
219	Lee Gwanyeong	1361	11-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	04-Jun-08	18 months
220	Lee Sangtae	1365	12-Aug-83	Decision confirmed	30-Jun-08	18 months
221	Lee Huiwon	1680	11-Mar-82	Decision confirmed	21-May-08	18 months
222	Hyeon Yunbin	1947	13-Jun-88	Decision confirmed		18 months
223	Kim Hongseok	1291	05-Feb-83	Decision confirmed	29-Sep-08	18 months
224	Ryu Myeongseok	1216	28-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	09-May-08	18 months
225	Ban Ohkjin	652	23-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	31-Oct-08	18 months

226	Beom Huigwon	532	27-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	06-Nov-07	18 months
227	Oh Manseok	893	16-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	01-May-08	18 months
228	Lee Gwonyong	909	28-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	29-Apr-08	18 months
229	Hong Duseon	340	02-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-07	18 months
230	Kim Hyeongjun	2591	15-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	23-Nov-07	18 months
231	Park Yuhyeon	2998	12-Jul-82	Decision confirmed	23-Sep-08	18 months
232	Leem Leenbae	2444	16-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	08-Oct-08	18 months
233	Jo Jungi	2963	30-Jun-83	Decision confirmed	31-Oct-08	18 months
234	Kim Donghui	825	27-Jun-84	Decision confirmed	10-Apr-08	18 months
235	Kim Myeonggi	791	08-Oct-83	Decision confirmed	31-Jan-08	18 months
236	Kim Hwanhui	1142	28-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	28-Nov-08	18 months
237	Park Jongsin	1201	15-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-08	18 months
238	Son Jeongrok	1336	13-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	09-Nov-07	18 months
239	Yun Daeyeong	1573	01-Aug-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
240	Lee Byeongin	2360	28-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	08-Jan-08	18 months
241	Jeong Minhyeok	823	17-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	30-Oct-07	18 months
242	Jo Jeonghwa	2233	01-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	07-May-08	18 months
243	Choi Gieung	1259	29-May-82	Decision confirmed	28-Sep-07	18 months
244	Hong Jinseok	1194	04-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	25-Jun-08	18 months
245	Lee Jaegyu		04-Aug-88	Decision confirmed	07-Jul-08	18 months
246	Hong Gisu	668	05-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-08	18 months
247	Gwon Seokmo	563	09-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-08	18 months
248	Park Seonggyu	285	04-Aug-88	Decision confirmed	25-Nov-08	18 months
249	Song Hochan	2075	30-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	22-Oct-08	18 months
250	Lee Honggeun	1399	02-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	24-Jul-08	18 months
251	Jo Yonggyun		14-Aug-78	Decision confirmed	10-Jul-07	18 months
252	Jeong Daesan		14-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	29-Jul-08	18 months
253	Leem eonggyeong	829	03-Feb-88	Appellate Court	10-Dec-08	18 months

#### <Suwon Detention Center>

254	Park Changhwan	820	01-Jan-85	Trial Court	04-Nov-08	
255	Kim Seongmin	954	08-Apr-83	Decision confirmed	17-Sep-08	18 months

256	Kim Seungmin	623	02-Jun-88	Decision confirmed	23-Sep-08	18 months
257	Kim Jeonggyun	1231	16-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	30-Jul-07	18 months
258	Kim Hanung	467	04-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	02-Sep-08	18 months
259	Park Minje	1440	28-Jul-84	Decision confirmed	08-Oct-07	18 months
260	Bang Jinseon	475	06-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	28-Aug-08	18 months
261	Baek Min	432	17-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	16-Jul-07	18 months
262	Seong Chanju	847	01-Feb-85	Decision confirmed	10-Dec-07	18 months
263	Lee Minho	1135	04-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	02-Jan-08	18 months
264	Lee Seokryong	928	30-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	14-Aug-08	18 months
265	Lee Jungyu	1146	13-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	24-Sep-08	18 months
266	Lee Jinseop	3154	15-May-88	Decision confirmed	12-Aug-08	18 months
267	Jeong Chanuk	1558	12-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	14-May-07	18 months
268	Lee Taegyun	763	16-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	21-Oct-08	18 months
269	Yu Jeongwon	1915	30-Jan-88	Decision confirmed	10-Jul-08	18 months
270	Park Ryeok	1906	17-Jun-83	Decision confirmed	09-Oct-08	18 months
271	Nam Jin	3198	15-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	23-Nov-07	18 months
272	Park Byeongju	3187	17-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	19-May-08	18 months
273	Yang Minho	3617	10-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	14-Jan-08	18 months
274	Gang Jicheol	1634	12-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	15-May-08	18 months
275	Gu Yunseo	3739	14-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	30-Oct-07	18 months
276	Kim Gyeongmin	514	11-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	30-Jan-08	18 months
277	Kim Gwangjae	1385	05-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	14-Mar-08	18 months
278	Kim Geumhui	1802	05-Feb-84	Decision confirmed	30-Sep-07	18 months
279	Kim Seungyul	544	12-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	27-Dec-07	18 months
280	Kim Jin	1835	19-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	26-Jun-08	18 months
281	Min Gyeongche	1932	25-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	02-May-08	18 months
282	Park Seokyun	523	01-Jan-88	Decision confirmed	09-Jul-08	18 months
283	Park Taejong	3476	16-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-07	18 months
284	Park Taejin		20-Jul-88	Decision confirmed	03-May-08	18 months
285	Woo Taedong	1093	30-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	19-Aug-08	18 months
286	Yu Yeonggyun	1905	16-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	12-Jun-08	18 months
287	Yun Suyeol	1778	19-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	01-Oct-08	18 months

288	Lee Chungil	560	21-May-87	Decision confirmed	27-Mar-08	18 months
289	Jeong Myeongje	1909	24-Feb-84	Decision confirmed	30-Sep-07	18 months
290	Heo Gukjin	876	26-Dec-83	Decision confirmed	21-Dec-07	18 months
291	Hong Gibok	540	13-Mar-88	Decision confirmed	10-Sep-08	18 months
292	Jo Leenseong	491	09-Apr-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
293	Lee Jeonghyeon		25-Nov-82	Decision confirmed	07-Nov-08	18 months
294	Leem Jongbeom		09-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	19-Dec-08	18 months
295	Choi Wonseok		25-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	03-Dec-08	18 months
296	Lee Mincheol			Decision confirmed	10-Dec-08	18 months
297	Kim Chansik			Decision confirmed		18 months

## <Suncheon Prison>

298	Lee Seongseok		30-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	01-Dec-08	18 months
299	Jeon Yeongseon		19-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	09-Oct-08	18 months
300	Lee Jongcheon		11-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	16-Oct-07	18 months
301	Baek Taeyeon	279	18-Jul-86	Decision confirmed	01-Jul-07	18 months
302	Cheon Jeongmin	457	23-May-85	Decision confirmed	01-Jul-07	18 months

## <Yeoju Prison>

303	Lee Junho		06-Sep-87	Decision confirmed	16-Mar-08	18 months
304	Oh Seungrok	1535	??-??-??	Decision confirmed	04-Dec-07	18 months

## < Youngdeungpo Prison>

305	Nam Wooseong	1059	25-Oct-77	Decision confirmed	22-Sep-08	18 months
306	Song Gwanu	1842	30-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-07	18 months
307	Hwang Seonjin	1327	19-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	26-May-08	18 months
308	Choi Bongsu	1793	25-Dec-86	Decision confirmed	15-Oct-08	18 months
309	Yun Boram	1310	06-Oct-83	Decision confirmed	26-May-08	18 months
310	Choi Suhyeon	1135	12-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	26-Dec-07	18 months
311	Kim Jungi	1431	30-Oct-83	Decision confirmed	25-Mar-08	18 months
312	Bae Yeongil	1748	29-Oct-85	Decision confirmed	07-Jan-08	18 months
313	Leem Seongho	1278	07-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	18-Sep-08	18 months

314	Kim Seongho	1186	25-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	22-Dec-08	18 months	
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## < Youngdeungpo Detention Center>

315	Kim Eunjin	639	30-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	19-Sep-08	18 months
316	Kim Gilmyeong	1823	03-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	02-May-08	18 months
317	Son Yeongil	1118	12-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	03-Sep-07	18 months
318	Lee Hyeontaek	693	26-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	16-Jan-08	18 months
319	Kim Duhwan	678	02-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	13-Feb-08	18 months
320	Jeon Hyeongjun	96	15-Aug-88	Decision confirmed	10-Apr-08	18 months
321	Jo Hangyeon	683	16-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	02-Oct-07	18 months
322	Choi Jaeyeong	451	12-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	20-Oct-08	18 months
323	Kim Yeongu	2419	03-Mar-86	Decision confirmed	14-Jun-07	18 months
324	Gang Donggyu	495	13-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	18-Jan-08	18 months
325	Gwon Ohhyeon	2176	27-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	26-Jul-08	18 months
326	Gwon Hyeoknam	601	10-Mar-86	Decision confirmed	19-Mar-08	18 months
327	Kim Seongsu	647	15-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	20-Oct-08	18 months
328	Kim Jiman	763	19-Mar-86	Decision confirmed	16-Apr-08	18 months
329	Kim Jintae	973	22-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	18-Jan-08	18 months
330	Yang Hyeonseok	1106	16-May-87	Decision confirmed	15-Oct-08	18 months
331	Leem Hoejun	527	13-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	12-Nov-07	18 months
332	Jang Woorim	485	08-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	16-Jan-08	18 months
333	Jo Yeongil	437	25-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	25-Aug-08	18 months
334	Jo Taeyeong	1986	08-Aug-81	Decision confirmed	21-Aug-08	18 months
335	Hong Munhwa	1087	27-Mar-86	Decision confirmed	08-Jan-08	18 months
336	Hwang Seonjun	1085	19-Jan-83	Decision confirmed	18-Jan-08	18 months
337	Kim Jinseok	1155	24-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	13-Dec-07	18 months
338	Seok Hyeonjun	1105	06-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	27-Sep-07	18 months
339	Lee Myeonghyeon		12-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	25-Nov-08	18 months
340	Ji Seongyun	2443	21-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	07-Oct-08	18 months

#### <Ulsan Detention Center>

341	Yun Janghyo		21-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	29-Dec-08	18 months	
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## <Wonju Prison>

342	Yu Seunggi	437	25-Jul-83	Decision confirmed	21-Aug-08	18 months
343	Oh Yusik	326	27-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	10-Jul-07	18 months
344	Jo Minu	756	18-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	15-Nov-07	18 months

## <Uijeongbu Prison>

345	Kim Sunjin	821	15-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-08	18 months
346	Lee Chanho	1111	10-May-88	Decision confirmed	23-Oct-08	18 months
347	Kim Doyeong	800	09-Dec-87	Decision confirmed	28-Aug-08	18 months
348	Noh Leenchan	789	29-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	02-May-08	18 months
349	Park Sanghyeop	369	14-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	14-May-08	18 months
350	Park Hyeongu	1793	17-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	15-Oct-08	18 months
351	Yang Hyeonuk	1004	17-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	29-Oct-07	18 months
352	Lee Sanghun	900	01-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months
353	Lee Yongjun	400	19-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months
354	Leem Yeonsu	700	27-Feb-88	Decision confirmed	20-Jun-08	18 months
355	Jeong Minho	999	28-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	26-Jun-08	18 months
356	Jo Cheolu	222	06-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	09-May-08	18 months
357	Hwang Wonyeong	1026	21-Aug-86	Decision confirmed	05-Sep-08	18 months
358	Kim Duyeong	300	09-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months
359	Hong Seokgyun	2636	12-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	29-Jan-08	18 months
360	Gang Gyeongmin	2474	21-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	21-Apr-08	18 months
361	Kim Donghyeon	648	10-May-87	Decision confirmed	13-Oct-07	18 months
362	Kim Jiung	2526	01-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	25-Jan-08	18 months
363	Park Daeseong	2454	12-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	11-May-08	18 months
364	Park Seowon	2244	06-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	28-Dec-07	18 months
365	Yang Huisu	200	07-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	17-Dec-07	18 months
366	Lee Seongmin	333	02-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	19-Jun-08	18 months
367	Lee Wooyeong	2227	25-Mar-87	Decision confirmed	03-Jun-08	18 months
368	Lee Wonik	567	16-May-86	Decision confirmed	09-Jan-08	18 months
369	Jeong Daejung	888	06-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	12-Jun-08	18 months
370	Cheon Seonguk	2678	27-Oct-87	Decision confirmed	08-May-08	18 months

371	Choi Yongsun	682	26-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	28-Nov-07	18 months
372	Gang Yonggu	2341	26-Jun-85	Decision confirmed	17-Nov-08	18 months
373	Lee Jeonggyu	1200	20-Feb-85	Decision confirmed	17-Nov-08	18 months
374	Han Hunhui	2003	12-Apr-88	Decision confirmed	20-Nov-08	18 months

#### <Incheon Detention Center>

375	Kim Woogyu		14-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	24-Jun-08	18 months
376	Yang Hyeonseop		26-Aug-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
377	Noh Byeonguk	1715	20-Feb-85	Decision confirmed	26-Dec-07	18 months
378	Park Seongyong	403	27-Dec-85	Decision confirmed	27-Jul-07	18 months
379	Song Myeongjin	1788	28-May-87	Decision confirmed	29-Nov-07	18 months
380	Lee Minyong	2539	29-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	24-Oct-07	18 months
381	Choi Suheon	1749	24-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	11-Jul-07	18 months
382	Lee Seongmin		09-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	26-Nov-08	18 months
383	Hong Leenyeong		28-May-86	Decision confirmed		18 months
384	Park Bitnara		13-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	24-Nov-08	18 months
385	Ju Dongjin		30-Oct-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
386	Choi Yeonggyu		17-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	24-Apr-07	18 months
387	Han Munseok		25-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	16-Sep-08	18 months

## <Jeonju Prison>

388	Lee Gangcheol	961	26-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	09-Jul-08	18 months
389	Jeong Chungjeol	918	03-Aug-85	Decision confirmed	20-May-08	18 months
390	Son Byeongeon		27-Jan-83	Appellate Court	09-Dec-08	18 months

## <Jeju Prison>

391	Kim Seungil	226	16-Jun-87	Decision confirmed	10-Jul-08	18 months
392	Go Yohan	240	20-Nov-85	Decision confirmed	07-Apr-08	18 months
393	Noh Jinuk	116	16-Apr-87	Decision confirmed	06-Nov-07	18 months
394	Park Gyeongsik	492	06-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	17-Dec-07	18 months
395	Lee Jongwan	636	02-Jan-87	Decision confirmed	04-Dec-07	18 months
396	Lee Jihwan	681	22-Dec-85	Decision confirmed	25-Sep-08	18 months

## <Jinju Prison>

397	An Jaehong	954	20-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	29-Jul-08	18 months
398	Leem Jinsu		28-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	29-Aug-07	24 months
399	Heo Eon	1325	12-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	28-Jul-08	18 months
400	Kim Sangjin	1281	02-Jun-86	Decision confirmed	30-Apr-08	18 months

#### <Cheonan Juvenile Prison>

401	Kim Hyeonseong	2135	17-Nov-87	Decision confirmed		18 months
402	Gwak Byeonghun	2092	10-Aug-85	Decision confirmed	20-May-08	18 months
403	Lee Yung	2213	15-Apr-83	Decision confirmed	16-Jun-08	18 months
404	Kim Seongsik		09-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	30-Sep-08	18 months
405	Kim Geodong	6183	07-Sep-86	Decision confirmed	30-Jul-07	18 months
406	Kim Juseok	701	15-Nov-88	Decision confirmed	28-Aug-08	18 months
407	Park Gyeongseong	1023	02-Dec-88	Decision confirmed	22-Oct-08	18 months
408	Lee Gyuyeong	2044	13-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	17-Nov-08	18 months
409	Lee Chanu	2086	18-May-88	Decision confirmed	23-Oct-08	18 months
410	Lee Jongha		07-May-88	Decision confirmed	16-Dec-08	18 months

## <Cheonan Foreign Prison>

411	Park Jihun	2174	01-Jan-82	Decision confirmed	17-Jul-08	18 months
412	Lee Eunsang	3014	09-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	02-Oct-07	18 months
413	An Hongryul	1144	??-??-80	Decision confirmed	23-Jun-08	18 months

## <Cheongsong Prison>

414	Oh Jingi	3739	08-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	19-Mar-08	18 months

#### <Cheongju Prison>

415	Seo Bongwon	16-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	01-Sep-08	18 months
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#### <Chuncheon Prison>

416	Gang Hongje	528	08-May-86	Decision confirmed	20-Oct-08	18 months
417	Woo Sanggyu	265	19-Jul-87	Decision confirmed	20-May-07	18 months

418	Lee Seungchan	15-Jan-86	Decision confirmed	04-Jul-07	18 months

## < Chungju Detention Center>

419	Yu Jongin		15-Aug-87	Decision confirmed	13-Nov-08	18 months
420	Park Leenseon	410	07-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	14-Feb-08	18 months
421	Son Jun	550	21-Nov-86	Decision confirmed	07-Jul-07	18 months
422	Lee Eunpyo		01-Feb-87	Decision confirmed	13-Oct-08	18 months
423	Jeong Yongun	163	03-May-82	Decision confirmed	27-May-08	18 months
424	Hong Jihun		12-Jun-84	Decision confirmed		18 months
425	Park Jinyeong		11-Nov-87	Decision confirmed	17-Nov-08	18 months

## <Pyeongtaek Detention Center>

426	Lee Sebok		17-Apr-86	Decision confirmed	24-Sep-08	18 months
427	Hong Junho		13-Feb-86	Decision confirmed	29-Sep-08	18 months
428	Jeong Hyeseong	633	14-Oct-86	Decision confirmed	27-Dec-07	18 months

## <Pohang Prison>

429	Gwon Jitae	30-Nov-82	Trial Court	27-Nov-08	
430	Bae Yongjin	28-Aug-88	Trial Court	24-Nov-08	
431	Nam Taehun	28-Mar-83	Decision confirmed	08-Jul-08	18 months
432	Yun Jeongmin	03-Jun-83	Decision confirmed	27-Nov-08	18 months

Statement of the Korea Solidarity for Conscientious Objection

#### Stop making excuse, Keep the promise!

On December 24, the Ministry of National Defense announced the result of the survey that The Military Manpower Administration (MMA) had commissioned with a policy think tank of Daejeon University. The announcement was mainly focused on the negative outcomes of the public consensus. Last June, the MMA announced that the final decision will be based on public agreements. Therefore, this survey could completely annul the alternative service for conscientious objectors announced on September, 2007.

Since the liberation, over 13,000 young men chose life of ex-convict for refusing to serve the military service for conscientious reasons. Even after 2001, when this issue emerged as a social problem, over 4,800 young men served the jail time. The MMA was advised by the National Human Right Commissions of Korea and UN Council of Human Rights a number of times. Moreover, despite the "2008 International Religious Freedom Report" released by the Department of State, and several international voices urging to introduce alternative service, the MMA is delaying its decision on the pretext of public consensus.

Although in this last survey conducted by the MMA showed many opposing opinions on the alternative service, it is important to point out that there have been many other surveys that yielded just the opposite results. MMA's public hearing held last October showed that over 80% of community leaders were in favor of alternative service system, and in the public opinion survey held last September by the Realmeter & 961Sample, the number of people who were in favor of alternative service exceeded the other group (Realmeter: 44.3% in favor, 38.7% against; 961 Sample: 55.9% in favor, 38.9% against). Thus, survey results tend to vary by the time it's being conducted and the type of questions, the government cannot base its decision based on one opinion survey.

On top of that, attempting to solve human rights issue of the minority group using opinion survey is definitely a dangerous idea. By definition, members of the minority group hold different ideas to what's generally accepted in their society. Judging the minority based on conventional standards, and forcing them to agree with them is a serious threat to the diversity in democracy and an act of violence to them. The MMA

should never forget that a survey of public opinion is nothing more than an effective tool to understand public's consensus, and not an absolute criterion.

The MMA should stop attempting to annul the alternative service on a pretext of public consensus. Instead, it should prepare to implement the system as it has promised the citizens on September of 2007. It is a coward excuse to blame on public opinion when the MMA has done nothing to form a consensus. This is a clear delinquency on their part. While the MMA is idling its time away, over 450 peace loving young men are incarcerated. If the MMA decides to annul the alternative service system at once, the number of conscientious objectors in the prison system will easily surpass 1,000 since many of those who have been postponing enrollment or court judgment will now have to go to jail. This is certainly a great disgrace to the international community. It is up to the MMA to decide whether it will become an untrustworthy government by breaking the promise it has made, or an honorable government which works hard for the human rights and democracy.

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