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CECC UPDATE: TIBETAN SELF-IMMOLATIONS

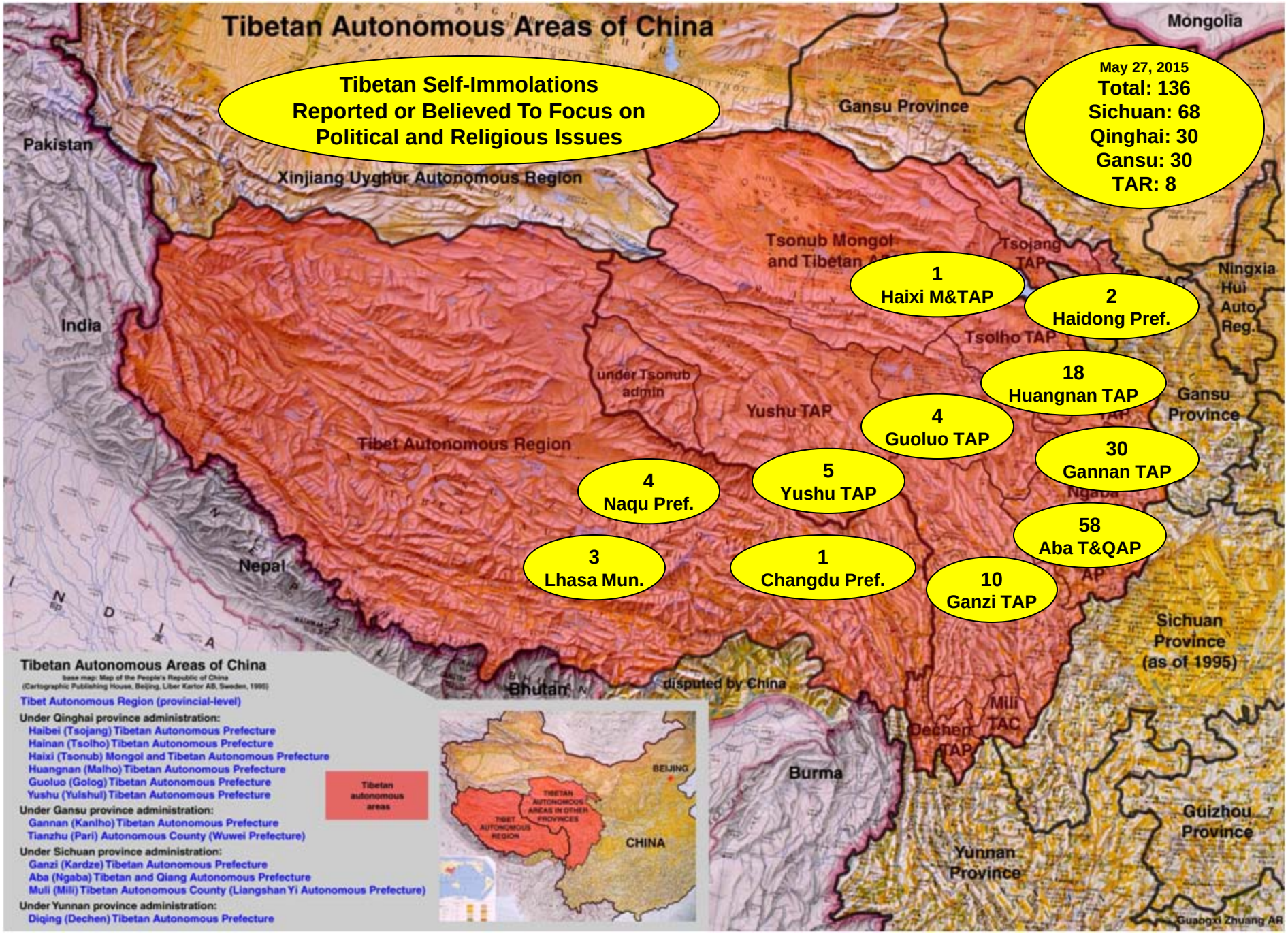
June 10, 2015

Tibetan Self-Immolations Reported or Believed To Focus on Political and Religious Issues
Summary, Source, and Location Information as of May 27, 2015

The following summary, map, and list provide updated Tibetan self-immolation information current as of May 27, 2015. The profile of self-immolators has changed from an initial majority who were current or former monastics located in Sichuan province, to a narrower majority who were laypersons and evenly divided between inside and outside of Sichuan province.

- As of May 27, 2015, the total number of Tibetan self-immolations reported to focus on political and religious issues reached 136—120 of them reportedly were fatal. (The total does not include Qinghai province property protests by females Dekyi Choezom and Pasang Lhamo on June 27 and September 13, 2012, respectively, and Konchog Tsomo in March 2013; and the April 6, 2012, deaths of a Tibetan Buddhist abbot, Athub, and a nun, Atse, in a Sichuan house fire initially reported as accidental and later as self-immolation. The Commission continues to monitor reports on their deaths.)
- 76 of the 136 self-immolators reportedly were lay persons; 60 were current or former monks or nuns.
- 68 of the 136 self-immolations reportedly took place in Qinghai and Gansu provinces and the Tibet Autonomous Region; 68 took place in Sichuan province.
- 115 of the 136 self-immolators were male; 54 were current or former monks; 61 were laypersons.
- 21 of the 136 self-immolators were female; 7 were current or former nuns; 14 were laypersons.

Source information in the following list is indicative, not complete. The list utilizes brevity as well as color-coding to facilitate easy navigation and recognition of different information types.


Tibetan Autonomous Areas of China
Tibetan Self-Immolations Reported or Believed To Focus on Political and Religious Issues
May 27, 2015
Total: 136
Sichuan: 68
Qinghai: 30
Gansu: 30
TAR: 8
Mongolia
Gansu Province
Pakistan
Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region
Tsonub Mongol and Tibetan
Tsojang TAP
Ningxia Hui Auto Reg.
India
1 Haixi M&TAP
2 Haidong Pref.
Tsolho TAP
under Tsonub admin
18 Huangnan TAP
Yushu TAP
4 Guoluo TAP
Gansu Province
Tibet Autonomous Region
30 Gannan TAP
4 Naqu Pref.
5 Yushu TAP
58 Aba T&QAP
3 Lhasa Mun.
1 Changdu Pref.
10 Ganzi TAP
Nepal
Sichuan Province (as of 1995)
Bhutan
disputed by China
Mili TAC
Dechen TAP
Burma
Guizhou Province
Yunnan Province
Guangxi Zhuang AR
Tibetan Autonomous Areas of China
base map: Map of the People's Republic of China (Cartographic Publishing House, Beijing, Liber Kartor AB, Sweden, 1995)
Tibet Autonomous Region (provincial-level)
Under Qinghai province administration:
Haibei (Tsojang) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Hainan (Tsolho) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Haixi (Tsonub) Mongol and Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Huangnan (Malho) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Guoluo (Golog) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Yushu (Yulshul) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Under Gansu province administration:
Gannan (Kanlho) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Tianzhu (Pari) Autonomous County (Wuwei Prefecture)
Under Sichuan province administration:
Ganzi (Kardze) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
Aba (Ngaba) Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous Prefecture
Muli (Mili) Tibetan Autonomous County (Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture)
Under Yunnan province administration:
Diqing (Dechen) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture
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Key: Font and Highlight

List Numbers		**Sex**	**Monastic**
99	Layperson	male	monk
98	Monastic (Kirti Monastery)	female	nun
93	Monastic (except Kirti Monastery)		

Location	**Status Reported**
Sichuan Province	deceased
Qinghai Province	hospitalized or unknown
Gansu Province	
TAR (Tibet Autonomous Region)	

2015: As of May 27, 2015, self-immolation #136: 5 self-immolations reported; 5 reported fatal.

136. May 27, 2015. Sanggye Tso, female, age 36; mother of two children; self-immolated in front of government security and education facilities within Tashi Choekorling Monastery in Zhuoni (Chone) county, Gannan (Kanlho) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture (TAP), Gansu province; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 1 June 15, 27 May 15 ("Sangye Tso"); VOA, 27 May 15; TCHRD, 28 May 15 ("Sangyal Tso").

135. May 20, 2015. Tenzin Gyatso, male, age 35; husband and father of four children; self immolated near government offices in Kongse (Khangsar) township, Daofu (Tawu) county, Ganzi (Kardze) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture (TAP), Sichuan province; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 21 May 15; ICT, 21 May 15; RFA, 27 May 15.

134. April 16, 2015. Nekyab, male, age mid-40s or 50s; husband and father of seven children; self immolated in Suorima (Solruma) village, Qiujima (Choejema) township, Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous Prefecture (T&QAP), Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 17 April 15 ("Neykyab"); VOA, 17 April 15 ("Nikyab"); RFA, 16 April 15 ("Nei Kyab").

133. April 8, 2015. Yeshe Khadro, female, age 47, nun, Nganggang Nunnery; self-immolated near the PSB office and detention center in the seat of Ganzi (Kardze) county, Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 10 April 15 ("Yishi Khando"); ICT ("Yeshi Kandro"), 10 April 15; VOA, 10 April 15 ("Yeshi Khando").

132. March 5, 2015. Norchug, female, age 47; wife and mother of three children; self immolated in Duwa (Dowa) village, Hezhi (Trotsig) township, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., TCHRD, 9 March 15; VOA, 9 March 15; ICT, 9 March 15.

2014: As of December 23, 2014, self-immolation #131: 11 self-immolations reported; 9 reported fatal.

131. December 23, 2014. Kalsang Yeshe, male, age 37 or 38; monk, Nyitso Monastery; self-immolated in front of a police office located in or near the monastery in Daofu (Tawu) county, Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., TCHRD, 23 December 14; ICT, 23 December 14; RFA, 23 December 14.

130. December 22, 2014. Tsepe Kyi, female, age 19 or 20; self immolated in Mai'erma (Me'uruma) township, Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. TCHRD, 23 December 14; RFA, 22 December 14; VOA, 22 December 14; FT, 22 December 14 (Tsepe Kyi).

129. December 16, 2014. Sanggye Khar, male, age 33 or 34, father of two children; self-immolated in front of a police station in Amuqu (Achog) township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 16 December 14; ICT, 16 December 14; FT, 16 December 14.

128. September 17, 2014. Lhamo Tashi, male, age 22, middle school student at Hezuo Middle School in Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 22 September 14; FT, 21 September 14; RFA, 21 September 14.

127. September 16, 2014. Konchog, male, age 42, father of at least two children (a monk and a nun); self-immolated in Gande (Gade) county, Guoluo (Golog) TAP, Qinghai province; hospitalized. See, e.g., RFA, 4 October 14; FT, 6 October 14; VOA, 6 October 14.

126. April 15, 2014. Trinle Namgyal (Trinley Namgyal), male, age 32; self-immolated in Daofu (Tawu) county, Ganzi (Kardze) TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 15 April 14; Phayul, 15 April 14; Tibet Express, 16 April 14.

125. March 29, 2014. Drolma, female, age 31, nun; self-immolated outside Bathang Choede Monastery in Batang (Bathang) county, Ganzi (Kardze) TAP, Sichuan; hospitalized. See, e.g., ICT, 31 March 14; RFA, 31 March 14; Phayul, 30 March 14.

124. March 16, 2014. Jigme Tenzin, male, age 29; monk, Sonag (or Shador) Monastery located in Zeku (Tsekhog) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Xinhua, 16 March 14 (reprinted in CIIC); RFA, 25 March 14; FT, 25 March 14; RFA, 16 March 14.

123. March 16, 2014. Lobsang Palden, male, early 20s; monk, Kirti Monastery; self-immolated in seat of Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 23 March 14; VOA, 17 March 14; RFA, 16 March 14.

122. February 13, 2014. Lobsang Dorje, male, age 25; former monk, Kirti Monastery; self-immolated near Kirti in Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 14 February 14; RFA, 17 February 14; Phayul, 18 February 14.

121. February 5, 2014. Phagmo Samdrub, male, late 20s; married father of two children; self-immolated in Duehemao (Dokarmo) township, Zeku (Tsekhog) county, Huangnan (Malho) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture (TAP), Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 6 February 14; RFA, 6 February 14; ICT, 7 February 14.

2013: As of December 19, 2013, self-immolation #120: 26 self-immolations reported; 25 reported fatal.

120. December 19, 2013. Tsultrim Gyatso, male, age 43; monk, Achog Monastery located in Amuqu (Achog) township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; self-immolated at an Amuqu intersection; deceased. TCHRD, 19 December 13; VOA, 19 December 13; RFA, 19 December 13; ICT, 20 December 13.

119. December 3, 2013. Konchog Tseten, male, age 30, nomad; father of two children; self-immolated in Mai'erma (Me'uruma) township, Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. RFA, 4 December 13; ICT, 4 December 13; VOA, 4 December 13.

118. November 11, 2013. Tsering Gyal, male, age 20; monk, Akyong Monastery located in Banma (Pema) county, Guoluo (Golog) TAP, Qinghai; self-immolated in the county seat near government offices; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 12 November 13; VOA, 12 November 13; ICT, 11 November 13.

117. September 28, 2013. Shichung, male, age 41,farmer; married father of two children; self-immolated in Gemo (Gomang) township, Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. FT, 29 September 13; Phayul, 28 September 13; ICT, 29 September 13; RFA, 30 September 13.

116. July 20, 2013. Konchog Sonam, male, age 18, monk, Sogtsang Monastery located in the seat of Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; self-immolated outside the monastery; deceased. See, e.g., Global Times, 30 July 13; TCHRD, 22 July 13; ICT, 22 July 13.

115. June 11, 2013. Wangchen Drolma, female, age 31, nun, Dragkar Nunnery; self-immolated near Nyitso Monastery in Daofu (Tawu) county, Ganzi (Kardze) TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., Tibet Express, 14 June 13; VOA, 14 June 13; RFA, 17 June 13; TCHRD, 18 June 13.

114. May 27, 2013. Tenzin Sherab, male, age 31, layperson; self-immolated in Qumalai (Chumarleb) county, Yushu (Yulshul) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Xinhua, 2 August 13; RFA, 29 May 13; ICT, 29 May 13; VOA, 29 May 13.

112, 113. April 24, 2013. Two males, Lobsang Dawa, age 20, and Konchog Oezer, age 23; monks of Tagtsang Lhamo Monastery located in Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; self-immolated within monastery grounds; both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 24 April 13; TCHRD, 25 April 13.

111. April 16, 2013. Chugtso, female, age 20; married mother of one child; self-immolated near Jonang Monastery in Rangtang (Dzamthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 16 April 13; RFA, 16 April 13; TCHRD, 17 April 13.

110. March 26, 2013. Konchog Tenzin, male, age28; monk , Mogri Monastery, located in Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; self-immolated at an intersection near the monastery; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 29 March 13; TPI, 29 March 13; TCHRD, 30 March 13.

109. March 25, 2013. Lhamo Kyab, male, age 43, "forest keeper" residing in a rural area of Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 25 March 13; Phayul, 25 March 13; ICT, 26 March 13.

108. March 24, 2013. Kalkyi, female, age 30; mother of four children; self-immolated near Jonang Monastery in Rangtang (Dzamthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 24 March 13; Phayul, 24 March 13; ICT, 26 March 13.

107. March 16, 2013. Lobsang Thogme, male, age 28; monk, Kirti Monastery; self-immolated within the monastery grounds in Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 16 March 13; Phayul, 16 March 13; TCHRD, 18 March 13; ICT, 18 March 13.

106. March 13, 2013. Konchog Wangmo, female, age in 30s, married mother of one child; self-immolated overnight in Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. Chinese official media claimed that her alcoholic husband murdered her then burned her body. See, e.g., China Daily, 16 August 13; Gobal Times, 16 August 13, 19 March 13; Aba Daily, 19 March 13 (translated in OSC, 21 March 13); TPI, 17 March 13; ICT, 18 March 13; VOA, 19 March 13.

105. February 25, 2013. Sangdrag, male, monk, Diphu Monastery; self-immolated in the seat of Aba (Ngaba) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; hospitalized. See, e.g., RFA, 26 February 13; VOA, 26 February 13; ICT, last visited 1 May 13.

104. February 25, 2013. Tsezung Kyab, male, age 27, farmer and nomad; self-immolated near Shitsang Monastery, located in Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 25 February 13; ICT, 25 February 13; Phayul, 25 February 13.

103. February 24, 2013. Phagmo Dondrub, male, early 20s, farmer; self-immolated near the monastic debating grounds of Jakhyung Monastery, located in Hualong (Bayan Khar) Hui Autonomous County, Haidong prefecture, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 9 May 13; 18 April 13; VOA, 24 February 13; ICT, 25 February 13.

101, 102 February 19, 2013. Two males, Rinchen, age 17, and Sonam Dargye, age 18; former schoolmates self-immolated in Jiangzha (Kyangtsa) township, Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., TCHRD, 20 February 13; ICT, 20 February 13.

100. February 17, 2013. Namlha Tsering, male, age 49, married father of four children; self-immolated in the seat of Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 17 February 13; FT, 17 February 12; Phayul, 18 February 13.

99. February 13, 2013. Drugpa Khar, male, age 26, father of three children; self-immolated in Amuqu (Achog) township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 14 February 13; ICT, 14 February 13.

98. February 3, 2013. Lobsang Namgyal, male, age 37; monk, Kirti Monastery; self-immolated near the county PSB office in the seat of Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 13 February 13; Phayul, 13 February 13; TCHRD, 14 February 13.

97. January 22, 2013. Konchog Kyab, male, age 23, farmer, married father of one child; self-immolated near Bora Monastery in Bola (Bora) township, Xiahe (Sangchu), Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 22 January 13; Phayul, 22 January 13; TCHRD, 25 January 13.

96. January 18, 2013. Tsering Phuntsog (RFA, VOA), or Drubchog (TCHRD, Phayul), male, age 28, married father of two children; self-immolated in Hongyuan (Marthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 18 January 13; RFA, 18 January 13; ICT, 18 January 13; TCHRD, 21 January 13.

95. January 12, 2013. Tsering Tashi, nickname Tsebe, male, age 22, husband; self-immolated in Amuqu (Achog) township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 15 January 13; Phayul, 12 January 13; VOA, 13 January 13.

2012: As of December 9, 2012, self-immolation #94: 81 self-immolations reported; 73 reported fatal.

94. December 9, 2012. Wangchen Kyi (or Rinchen Kyi), female, age 17, student; self-immolated in Duehemao (Dokarmo) township, Zeku (Tsekhog) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 9 December 12 (Wangchen Kyi); Phayul, 9 December 12 ("Bhenchen Kyi"); RFA, 10 December 12 (Rinchen Kyi).

93. December 8, 2012. Konchog Phelgyal (or Konchog Phelgye), male, age 24, Sumdo Monastery monk studying at Tagtsang Lhamo Monastery (both monasteries located in Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan); deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 8 December 12; TCHRD, 9 December 12 (Konchog Phelgye); ICT, 10 December 12.

92. December 8, 2012. Pema Dorje, male, age 23, farmer; self-immolated near Shitsang Monastery, located in Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 8 December 12; Phayul, 8 December 12; ICT, 10 December 12.

91. December 3, 2012. Lobsang Gedun (or Lobsang Geleg), male, age 29, monk, Penag Monastery in Banma (Pema) county, Guoluo (Golog) TAP, Qinghai; self-immolated in Banma county seat; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 3 December 12; Phayul, 5 December 12; ICT, last visited 1 May 13 (Lobsang Geleg).

90. December 2, 2012. Sungdu Kyab, male, age 17, married father of one child; Bola (Bora) township, Xiahe (Sangchu), Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; taken away by police, hospitalized in Lanzhou. See, e.g., VOA, 2 December 12; RFA, 2 December 12; TCHRD, 3 December 12; Phayul, 24 November 14, 28 December 12.

89 November 30, 2012. Konchog Kyab, male, age 29, father of two children; self-immolated in Hongxing (Shagdom) township, Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba (Ngaba) T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 3 December 12; Phayul, 30 November 12; RFA, 30 November 12.

88. November 29, 2012. Tsering Namgyal (or Tsering Tashi), male, age 31, married father of two children; Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 29 November 12 (Tsering Namgyal); VOA, 29 November 12 (Tsering Namgyal); RFA, 29 November 12 (Tsering Tashi).

87. November 28, 2012. Bande Khar (RFA and VOA) or Wangden Khar (Phayul), male, age 21; Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan (Kanlho). TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 29 November 12; VOA, 29 November 12; Phayul, 29 November 12.

86. November 27, 2012. Sanggye Tashi, male, age 18; self-immolated in Sangke (Sangkhog) township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 28 November 12; VOA, 28 November 12; Phayul, 28 November 12.

85. November 27, 2012. Kalsang Kyab, male, age 24, nomad; Jiangzha (Kyangtsa) township, Ruo'ergai (Dzoege) county, Aba (Ngaba) T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 29 November 12; RFA, 27 November 12; Phayul, 27 November 12.

84. November 26, 2012. Gonpo Tsering, male, age 24, married father of three children; Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 26 November 12; VOA, 26 November 12; Phayul, 26 November 12.

83. November 26, 2012. Konchog Tsering, male, age 18, married; Achog township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 26 November 12; RFA, 26 November 12; Phayul, 26 November 12.

82. November 26, 2012. Wanggyal, male, age about 20, student (Phayul, VOA, ICT); self-immolated near Seda Middle School, Seda (Serthar), Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; condition and location unknown. See, e.g., Phayul, 26 November 12; VOA, 26 November 12; ICT, site visit 1 May 13.

81. November 25, 2012. Sanggye Drolma, female, age 17, nun, Mindrol Dargyeling Nunnery in Dokarmo township, Zeku (Tsekhog) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 26 November 12; VOA, 26 November 12; Phayul, 28 November 12 (note left behind).

80. November 23, 2012. Tamdrin Dorje, male, age 29, head of six-person household; Dokarmo township, Zeku (Tsekhog) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 24 November 12; RFA, 24 November 12; ICT, 24 November 12.

79. November 22, 2012. Tamdrin Kyab, male, age 23, former monk of Shitsang Monastery; self-immolated in Luqu (Luchu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 22 November 12; RFA 23 November 12; ICT, 24 November 12.

78. 22 November 22, 2012. Lubum Gyal, male, age 18; Duowa (Dowa) township, Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 22 November 12; ICT, 24 November 12; TCHRD, 27 November 12 (provides name Lubum Tsering).

77. November 20, 2012. Tsering Dondrub, male, age 35, married father of three children; self-immolated near a gold mine entrance in Achog township, Xiahe (Sangchu), Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 20 November 12; Phayul, 20 November 12; TCHRD, 21 November 12.

76. November 19, 2012. Wangchen Norbu, male, age 25, lay; Xunhua (Yadzi) Salar Autonomous County, Haidong Prefecture, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 19 November 12; VOA, 19 November 12; Phayul, 20 November 12.

75. November 17, 2012. Sangdrag Tsering, male, age 24, married father of one child; Tongren (Rebgong), Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 17 November 12; ICT, 19 November 12; Phayul, 18 November 12.

74. November 17, 2012. Chagmo Kyi, female, age 26, mother of two children; Tongren (Rebgong), Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 17 November 12; VOA, 20 November 12 (letter calls on Xi Jinping to meet DL); TCHRD, 17 November 12; ICT, 17 November 12.

73. November 15, 2012. Khabum Gyal, male, age 18, layperson; Tongren (Rebgong), Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 15 November 12; RFA, 15 November 12; VOA, 15 November 12.

72. November 15, 2012. Tenzin Drolma, female, age 23, layperson; Tongren (Rebgong), Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 15 November 12; Phayul, 15 November 12.

71. November 12, 2012. Nyingchag Bum (ICT: Nyangchag Bum), male, age 16; self-immolated in front of a government office building in Duowa (Dowa) township, Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 12 November 12; VOA, 12 November 12; ICT, 14 November 12.

70. November 12, 2012. Nyingkar Tashi (ICT: Nyangkar Tashi), male, age 24, married; self-immolated in Duowa (Dowa) township, Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 12 November 12; VOA, 12 November 12; ICT, 14 November 12; VOA, 20 November 12.

69. November 10, 2012. Gonpo Tsering, male, age 19; self-immolated near monastery in Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 10 November 12; Xinhua, 10 November 12 (reprinted in CIIC, 11 November 12); ICT, 13 November 12.

68. November 8, 2012. Kalsang Jinpa, male, age 18; former monk of Rongbo Monastery; self-immolated in front of Rongbo Monastery in Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 8 November 12; RFA, 8 November 12; VOA, 8 November 12.

67. November 7, 2012. Tsegyal, male, age 27, father of two children; self-immolated in Bankar township, Biru (Driru) county, Naqu (Nagchu) prefecture, TAR; deceased (died in police custody on 18 November 12). See, e.g., RFA, 7 November 12 (unnamed); TCHRD, 28 November 12; Phayul, 3 December 12.

66. November 7, 2012. Tamdrin Tso, female, age 23, mother of one child; Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; self-immolated in market area of county seat; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 8 November 12; Phayul, 7 November 12; RFA, 7 November 12.

63, 64, 65. November 7, 2012. Three males, Dorje (age 15), Samdrub (16), and Dorje Kyab (16); monks, Ngoshul Monastery, located in Ngatoe Gomang township, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; self-immolated near the township police station; Dorje deceased; as well as and Samdrub and Dorje Kyab, both hospitalized. See, e.g., Phayul, 7 November 12; RFA, 7 November 12; TCHRD, 8 November 12.

62. November 4, 2012. Dorje Lhundrub, male, age 25, traditional artist; married father of two children; resident of Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; self-immolated "some kilometers" west of Rongbo Monastery; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 4 November 12; RFA, 4 November 12; ICT, 4 November 12.

61. October 26, 2012. Thubwang Kyab (Tsephag Kyab or Tsewang Kyab in initial reports), male, age 23; self-immolated in Sangke (Sangkhog) township, Xiahe county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., Phayul, 1 November 12; ICT, 26 October 12; VOA, 26 October 12.

60. October 26, 2012. Lhamo Tseten, male, age 24; self-immolated in Amuquhu (Achog) township, Xiahe county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., FT, 26 October 12; RFA, 26 October 12.

58, 59. October 25, 2012. Two males, Tsepo, age 20, and Tenzin, age 25; cousins residing in Biru (Driru) county, Naqu (Nagchu) prefecture, TAR; self-immolated near a school; Tsepo deceased; Tenzin, status unknown, taken away by security officials. ICT reported they were "from" Bankar Monastery in Bankar township. See, e.g., RFA, 27 October 12; ICT, 31 October 12.

57. October 23, 2012. Dorje Rinchen, male, age 58; married father of two children; resident of Xiahe county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; sold bread at Labrang Tashikhyil Monastery; self-immolated on main street of Xiahe county seat; deceased. See, e.g., Xinhua, 23 October 12 (reprinted in China Daily); ICT, 23 October 12; RFA, 23 October 12.

56. October 22, 2012. Dondrub, male, about 65, married layperson; resident of Xiahe county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; self-immolated on premises of Labrang Tashikhyil Monastery; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 22 October 12; VOA, 22 October 12; TCHRD, 23 October 12.

55. October 20, 2012. Lhamo Kyab, male, age 27, married father of two children; resident of Bora township, Xiahe (Sangchu) county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 20 October 12; TCHRD, 29 October 12.

54. October 13, 2012. Tamdrin Dorje, male, early 50s, layperson residing near Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan TAP, Gansu; self-immolated on premises of Tsoe Monastery; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 13 October 12; Phayul, 13 October 12; Tibet Post International, 13 October 12.

53. October 6, 2012. Sanggye Gyatso, male, age 27, layperson residing near Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 6 October 12; Phayul, 6 October 12; VOA, 6 October 12.

52. October 4, 2012. Gudrub, age 43, male, layperson, writer; self-immolated in seat of Naqu (Nagchu) county, Naqu prefecture, TAR; hails from Biru (Driru) county, Naqu prefecture; deceased. See, e.g., Tibet Express, 4 October 12; ICT, 5 October 12; VOA, 4 October 12.

51. September 29, 2012. Yungdrung, male, age 27, layperson residing in Zaduo (Dzatoe) county, Yushu TAP, Qinghai, but hailing from Changdu county, Changdu prefecture, TAR; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 5 October 12; Tibet Express, 29 September 12; RFA, 29 September 12.

49, 50. August 27, 2012. Two males, Lobsang Kalsang, age 18, monk, Kirti Monastery; and Lobsang Damchoe, age 17, former monk, Kirti; Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 28 August 12; VOA, 27 August 12; RFA, 27 August 12.

47, 48. August 13, 2012. Two males, Lungtog, age 20, monk, Kirti Monastery; and Tashi, age 21, former monk, Kirti; Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 14 August 12, 15 August 12; VOA, 15 August 12; ICT, 15 August 12.

46. August 10, 2012. Choepa, male, age 24; nomad; resident of Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., China Daily, 27 January 13 (Jokba); TCHRD, 10 August 12; RFA, 11 August 12; Phayul, 11 August 12.

45. August 7, 2012. Drolkar Tso, female, age 26; mother of two children; resident of Hezuo (Tsoe) city, Gannan TAP, Gansu; deceased.. See, e.g., VOA, 7 August 12; RFA, 7 August 12; Xinhua, 8 August 12 (reprinted in CIIC).

44. August 6, 2012. Lobsang Tsultrim, male, age 21; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 6 August 12; Phayul, 7 August 12; Phayul, 8 August 12.

43. July 17, 2012. Lobsang Lozin, male, age 18; monk, Tsodun Monastery, Ma'erkang (Barkham) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 17 July 12; TCHRD, 17 July 12; RFA, 17 July 12.

42. July 7, 2012. Tsewang Dorje, male, age 22; nomad, resident in Dangxiong (Damshung) county, Lhasa municipality, TAR; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 9 July 12; Phayul, 9 July 12; TCHRD, 11 July 12.

40, 41. June 20, 2012. Two males, Tenzin Khedrub, age 24; former monk, Zilkar Monastery, Zaduo (Dzatoe) township, Chenduo (Tridu) county, Yushu TAP, Qinghai. Ngawang Norphel, age 22, layperson; residing in Zaduo but hailing from Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan. Self-immolated together in Zaduo township (Qinghai); both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 20 June 12; TCHRD, 20 June 12; Phayul, 30 July 12.

39. June 15, 2012. Tamdrin Thar, male, age in 50s; nomad (forced to settle); resident of Jianza (Chentsa) county, Huangnan TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., Xinhua, 15 June 12 (reprinted in CIIC); TCHRD, 15 June 12; ICT, 15 June 12.

38. May 30, 2012. Rikyo (or Rechog), female, age 33; married mother of three children; resident of Rangtang (Dzamthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., FT, 30 May 12; RFA, 31 May 12; ICT, 1 June 12; TCHRD, 1 June 12.

36, 37. May 27, 2012. Two males, Dorje Tseten, age 19, layperson from Xiahe county, Gannan TAP, Gansu; and Dargye, age 25, former Kirti monk from Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both employed at a restaurant in Lhasa, TAR; Dorje Tseten deceased; Dargye hospitalized. See, e.g., Global Times, 29 May 12; TCHRD, 28 May 12; ICT, 1 June 12.

34, 35. April 19, 2012. Two males, Choephag Kyab and Sonam, cousins aged in early 20s; laypersons, residents of Rangtang (Dzamthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 19 April 12; ICT, 19 April 12; Phayul, 20 April 12, 24 April 12.

32, 33. March 30, 2012. Two males, Tenpa Dargyal, age 22, and Chime Palden, age 21; monks, Tsodun Monastery, Ma'erkang (Barkham) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 30 March 12; RFA, 31 March 12, 7 April 12; Phayul, 8 April 12.

31. March 28, 2012. Sherab (or Lobsang Sherab), male, age 20; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., China Daily, 27 January 13 (Tsenam); RFA, 28 March 12; ICT, 29 March 12.

30. March 17, 2012. Sonam Dargyal, male, age 43; farmer, married father of three children; resident of Nianduhu (Nyenthog) township, Tongren county, Huangnan TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., FT, 17 March 12; RFA, 17 March 12; Phayul, 17 March 12.

29. March 16, 2012. Lobsang Tsultrim, male, age 20; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., China Daily, 27 January 13 (Lobsang Tsedru); RFA, 16 March 12, 20 March 12; ICT, 20 March 12; TCHRD, 20 March 12.

28. March 14, 2012. Jamyang Palden, male, age 34; monk, Rongbo Monastery, Tongren (Rebgong) county, Huangnan (Malho) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g. RFA, 14 March 12; VOA, 14 March 12; ICT, 14 March 12; Phayul, 1 October 12.

27. March 10, 2012. Gepe, male, age 18; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g. RFA, 12 March 12; VOA, 12 March 12; ICT, 20 March 12.

26. March 5, 2012. Dorje, male, age 18; layperson; resident of Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g. RFA, 5 March 12; ICT, 5 March 12; Phayul, 5 March 12.

25. March 4, 2012. Rinchen, female, age 32; widowed mother of four children, resident of Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g. RFA, 4 March 12; VOA, 4 March 12; FT, 4 March 12; ICT, 5 March 12.

24. March 3, 2012. Tsering Kyi, female, age 19; middle-school student, resident of Maqu (Machu) county, Gannan (Kanlho) TAP, Gansu; deceased. See, e.g. RFA, 4 March 12; VOA, 5 March 12; ICT, 5 March 12; Xinhua, 6 March 12 (translated in OSC, 13 March 12).

23. February 19, 2012. Nangdrol (or Nyadrol), male, age 18; layperson, resident of Rangtang (Dzamthang) county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See e.g., RFA 19 February 12; Phayul, 19 February 12; ICT, 22 February 12; Phayul, 24 February 12.

22. February 17, 2012. Damchoe Zangpo, male, age 38; monk, Bongtag Monastery, Wulan county, Haixi (Tsonub) Mongol and Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., VOA, 17 February 12; RFA, 17 February 12; ICT, 15 June 12. [Bongtag Monastery is in Wulan county, not Tianjun (Themchen) county, according to an AMI map.]

21. February 13, 2012. Lobsang Gyatso, male, age 19; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; taken away by security officials; hospitalized in unknown location. See, e.g., Xinhua, 14 February 12 (reprinted in China Daily); VOA, 13 February 12; RFA, 13 February 12; ICT, 13 February 12.

20. February 11, 2012. Tenzin Choedron, female, age 18; nun, Dechen Choekhorling Nunnery; Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., BBC, 13 February 12; ICT, 12 February 12; VOA, 12 February 12; Xinhua, 14 February 12 (reprinted in China Daily.

19. February 9, 2012. Sonam Rabyang, male, age mid-30s; monk, Lab Monastery, Chenduo (Tridu) county, Yushu (Yushul) TAP, Qinghai; under home care, with restrictions. See, e.g., VOA, 10 February 12; Phayul, 10 February 12; ICT, 23 February 12; TCHRD, 20 February 13.

18. February 8, 2012. Rigzin Dorje, male, age19; former monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 9 February 12; ICT, 10 February 12; Global Times, 12 February 12; Phayul, 4 March 12.

17. January 14, 2012. Lobsang Jamyang, male, age 21; former monk of Andu Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 14 January 12, 17 January 12; 18 January 12; Phayul, 14 January 12, 18 January 12; ICT, 14 January 12, 18 January 12; VOA, 17 Apr 12.

16. January 8. Sonam Wanggyal (Zoepa, Sopa), male, age 42; monk (Rinpoche), Tongkyab (or Dungkyob) Monastery, Dari (Darlag) county, Guoluo (Golog) TAP, Qinghai; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 9 January 12, 20 January 12; Xinhua, 9 January 12 (reprinted in China Daily); Phayul, 17 January 12; ICT, 9 January 12.

14, 15. January 6, 2012. Two males, Tsultrim and Tennyi, both about 20; current (or former) Kirti monks; Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 6 January 12, 9 January 12; Phayul, 6 January 12, 10 January 12; FT, 6 January 12.

2011: As of December 1, 2011, self-immolation #13: 12 self-immolations reported; 8 reported fatal.

13. December 1, 2011. Tenzin Phuntsog, male, age 46; former monk of Karma Monastery located in Gama (Karma) township, Changdu (Chamdo) county, Changdu prefecture, TAR; current resident of Gama, married father of three children; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 1 December 11, 8 December 11; Phayul, 9 December 11; Xinhua, 2 December 11, reprinted in China Daily; ICT, 1 December 11.

12. November 3, 2011. Palden Choetso (or Choesang), female, age 35; nun, Gaden Choeling Nunnery; Daofu county, Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 3 November 11; Phayul, 3 November 11; Xinhua, 3 November 11 (translated in OSC, 5 November 11); ICT, 4 November 11.

11. October 25, 2011. Dawa Tsering, male, age in 30s; monk, Gepheling Monastery; Ganzi county, Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; hospitalized but refused treatment and released. See, e.g., Phayul, 25 October 11; ICT, 28 October 11; RFA, 8 November 11.

10. October 17, 2011. Tenzin Wangmo, female, age 20; nun, Dechen Choekorling Nunnery, Aba county, Aba

T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., Voice of America, 17 October 11; Phayul, 17 October 11; New York Times, 17 October 11.

9. **October 15, 2011.** Norbu Dradul, male, age 19; former monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 15 October 11; Phayul, 15 October 11; ICT, 16 October 11; Phayul, 10 January 12.

7, 8. **October 7, 2011.** Two males, Choephel, age 19, and Khayang, age 18; former monks, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 7 October 11; ICT, 7 October 11; Xinhua, 8 October 11, reprinted in China Daily; FT, 13 December 11.

6. **October 3, 2011.** Kalsang Wangchug, male, age 17; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; hospitalized. See, e.g., ICT, 3 October 11, 11 October 11; FT, 3 October 11; RFA, 4 October 11.

4, 5. **September 26, 2011.** Two males, Lobsang Kalsang, age 18, and Lobsang Konchog, age 18; monks, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; both hospitalized. See, e.g., RFA, 26 September 11; ICT, 26 September 11; Xinhua, 26 September 11, reprinted in China Daily, Phayul, 4 March 12.

3. **August 15, 2011.** Tsewang Norbu, male, age 29; monk, Nyitso Monastery; Daofu county, Ganzi TAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., RFA, 15 August 11; Xinhua, 15 August 11, reprinted in CIIC; FT, 16 August 11.

2. **March 16, 2011.** Phuntsog (or Lobsang Phuntsog), age 20 or 21; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; deceased. See, e.g., ICT, 17 March 11; RFA, 17 March 11; Xinhua, 29 August 11, reprinted in China Daily.

2010: No self-immolations reported.

2009: 1 self-immolation reported; non-fatal.

1. **February 27, 2009.** Tashi (or Tabe, Tapey), male, age 24; monk, Kirti Monastery, Aba county, Aba T&QAP, Sichuan; "detained" in a military hospital in Aba prefecture. See, e.g., Phayul, 17 December 11; ICT, 27 February 09; FT, 27 February 09; Xinhua, 5 March 09, reprinted in China Daily.