

Photos Related to China's One Child Policy

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According to the One Child Policy, a married woman must get a permit before becoming pregnant, otherwise the pregnant woman will be punished with a forced abortion.



The abortion was performed in the clinic of a small town in southern China. The fetus was put in a yellow plastic bag by the side of the mother.



An abandoned female infant left on the sidewalk.

Because of the One Child Policy, many female babies are abandoned so their parents can have another chance to have a male.



The slogan on the wall says:
“Pregnancy with permit, give birth with permit”



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The banner reads:

**“When you are required by policy to get an abortion, but you don’t.
Your house will be destroyed and your buffalo will be confiscated.”**



“We would rather have blood flow like river, than allow one extra baby to be born.”



The banner reads:
“Abort it! Kill it! Terminate it! You just can not give birth to him or her!”



This is public art work, commissioned by Beijing Family Plan Department, displayed in Beijing. The art work, created by a distinguished artist, is one of the methods the authority uses to “package and beautify” its One Child Policy.

Birth control ring check record



Inspector



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Pregnancy Check Service Situation Records



A “One Child Parent Glory” Certificate.

Zhe Jiang Providence Planned Birth Control Committee.

It is awarded to families abiding by the One Child Policy after the wife has accepted the tubal ligation.



**“The government provides a subsidy of RMB 2(US \$0.29) for
contraceptive ring check.”**

This shows how China promotes One Child Policy in rural areas.

A letter left with a child who was left at the Buddhist Temple. This baby girl was abandoned at the temple so the family could have a baby boy. As a result of the One Child Policy, they could not have both.

尊敬的大师们，你们好。
这个孩子不是我冒昧送上宝刹的。经过多方
求神问卜，结果大致相同，都说这孩子是上天
来的。
佛教事业后继乏人，计划生育越来越严，将来上庵
上庙的人必然也就越来越少。在哪里培养继承人呢？
当然自己培养最好。大师们比我们这些俗子
当然清楚得多，不用我们多说了。这小孩据说应该
上庵，并指我送到宝刹。你们一定会见着她，你们
常来看这孩子。
这孩子肠胃很好，并不烦人，吃饱就睡，不需要摇
晃。
那个仙姑并告诉我，宝刹莲池的那个孩子大了，她穿
过的衣服很多，只要你们取一些来，还要花钱去做。
恳求大师们发心，收下吧，更祈求吧。
我会感谢你们，以后是经常来看望大师们。
若天还求大师们，要此事大扬出去。
多时多谢

Hello Honorable Masters,

We are not sending this child to you as a random act. We went to several temples and fortune tellers to ask for guidance, the results are very similar: bring the child to your temple, that's why we're here.

Buddhism needs successors. The planned birth control is becoming more and more intensified, therefore naturally there are less and less people coming to the temples. Where to look for successors? Of course it will be best if you can nurture your own people. You Masters would know this better than us common folks, no need to say more. This child was told by the fortuneteller to come to your temple, we were told you would not mistreat her, and we will be able to visit her often in the future.

This child has a very good appetite, not annoying. She would sleep after being fed, no need to rock her.

The same fortuneteller also told me a child in another temple has grown, she wore many clothes. You could go take some for this child, no need to spend money to make more.

Masters, I beg you to be kind, to take in this child. I'll forever be grateful to you. I will come to visit you Masters often too.

Lastly I beg you Masters, please keep this matter quiet, do not publicize it.

Many thanks, many thanks.

**These are females
abandoned at birth at
the Buddhist Temple.**

