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## 10. Right to Freedom of Assembly and Association: 5 incidents (3/2)

### 1) General Analysis of the Right to Freedom of Assembly and Association

#### (1) Violations of the right to freedom of assembly and association

Type of act	Banning of a meeting	Banning of mass action	Total
Number	4	1	5
Percentage (%)	80.0	20.0	100.0

- Out of the five reported violations of the right to freedom of assembly and association, four cases involved the banning of a meeting and one case involved a ban on a mass action.

#### (2) Violations of the right to freedom of assembly and association listed by charge against victim

Type of act/ Charge against victim	Banning of a meeting	Banning of mass action	Total
Political offense	4	1	5
	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
Total	4	1	5
	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%

- Victims attempting to exercise freedom of assembly and association including banning of a meeting and mass action were charged with political offenses.

(3) Violations of the right to freedom of assembly and association listed by information type

Type of act /Information type	Banning of a meeting	Banning of mass action	Total
Directly observed	2	1	3
	66.7%	33.3%	100.0%
	50.0%	100.0%	60.0%
Reported second-hand	2	0	2
	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
	50.0%	0.0%	40.0%
Total	4	1	5
	80.0%	20.0%	100.0%
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

- No cases were directly experienced.

## 2) Detailed Analysis of the Right to Freedom of Assembly and Association

### (1) Banning of a Meeting: 4 incidents (2/2)

There are 4 reports of banning of a meeting. The following are example cases.

. E08-I-3541 (Lee 00, Male, North Hamgyong Province) *“In spring 2005, students in Oehyang High School and Shinhyang High School in Sunam, Cheongjin, vowed loyalty to a gangster and wrote the vow with blood. It was discovered and the students were taken to prisons and their families were expelled. Villagers talked about the harshness of the punishment on the children.”*

Yun Woog, 『North Korean New Generation X-File』 1996, One Mind Publication, p. 265 (*summarized quotation*) *“In 1991, an ‘anti-state organization’ run by students at the Kim Il-sung University with*

*foreign experience was uncovered and purged. These students were publicly executed. Also, students at the Cheongjin Mine and Metal University were persecuted for running an anti-system organization. Five core members were sent to political prison camps and over 50 students were expelled from the university.”*

(2) Banning of Mass Action: 1 incident (1/0)

One case of human right violation about banning of mass action was reported.