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Title: A notice on informing the family of the executed as soon as the execution has been performed

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Description: A notice of the Supreme People's Court and the Ministry of Justice requiring courts at all ranks to inform the family of the executed as soon as the execution has been performed

As is evidenced by the documents presented by the People's Court of Beijing, some local courts failed to inform the families of the executed after the execution had been performed. This negligence caused some undesirable cases and led to the waste of manpower and material resources. A case in the People's Court of the Beicheng District of Beijing well exemplifies this point. In January 1952, Yang Peilin, the spouse of the counter-revolutionary Qin Zongyu, went to Beicheng Court to ask for a divorce from the latter. The court sent official letters twice to the People's Court of Zhangjiakou before it was revealed that Qin had been executed in early December of 1950 by the People's Court of Chahar Province. Therefore, we suggest that every court and public security department inform the families of the executed after the execution is carried out, in order to avoid similar cases of this nature. We hereby issue this joint notice to declare that courts at all ranks shall inform the families of the executed immediately after the execution. We hope you will handle such cases in accordance with this notice and immediately send this notice to your subordinate courts and ask them to do likewise.