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## Betraying Big Brother: The Feminist Awakening in China

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Story of the 'Feminist Five' who were jailed in 2015 for a protest against sexual harassment, and the art and activism of their supporters. The book also examines the official gender equality policy of the Communist Party since 1949, and the recent suppression of dissidence and bans on foreign support for NGOs.

See also 'Talking policy: Leta Hong Fincher on feminism in China', World Policy, 2 June 2017: <https://worldpolicy.org/2017/06/02/talking-policy-leta-hong-fischer-on-feminism-in-china/> [2]

Leta Hong discusses her book *Leftover Women: The Resurgence of gender Inequality in China* and the development of feminism in China from the post- socialist era up to today.

To read the first-hand account on the arrest of one activist of the 'Feminist Five' and other initiatives to free them, see this comprehensive article

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/mar/08/feminist-stickers-china-backlash-women-activists> [3]

See also <https://www.scmp.com/news/china/society/article/2093973/fight-against-gender-violence-goes-chinas-feminist-five> [4] and <https://chinadigitaltimes.net/2018/02/people-week-feminist-five/> [5]

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