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Inspector in Charge, Chinese Division, Ellis Island, N.Y.H., N.Y.

In accordance with your instructions concerning complaint Re-NG HOONG LOW alias NG SANG TOY, from the Newark Health Department of New Jersey, I proceeded to the Essex County Isolation Hospital, Belleville, N.J., on June 19th, accompanied by Interpreter C. H. Yung and Stenographer Sam Goldstein. The subject's sworn statement is submitted herewith.

This Chinese claimed to be unable to furnish his exact age, stating that he is about 41 years old. At first he stated that his father told him that he was born in California and that he was never in China; subsequently he stated he has living in China a wife whom he married in China when he was about 20 years old, by whom he has had a son; that neither his wife for son have ever been in the United States; that he left China about a year after his marriage. He claimed that he originally arrived in this country at San Francisco when he was about 21 years old — a year after his marriage; that he came as a steerage passenger; that he does not know under what status he came to the United States; that he knows that he was not questioned by Officers of the Immigration Service upon his arrival. The story that he relates is otherwise incredible. He claims to have no documents bearing upon his right to be in or to remain in the United States.

The records of this office contain nothing relating to a person having the names claimed by the subject. He was confined in the hospital with trachoma and could not readily be removed. Before commencing action looking to his deportation, I contacted persons in the store of LUN TAI & COMPANY, 46 Mott Street, New York City, where the subject claimed to be known. WU DOSHIM and others interviewed there stated that someone from the store would call upon the subject. Later persons in the store of LUN TAI & COMPANY claimed to be unable to furnish details as to the subject's status with reference to lawful residence or to furnish any other information regarding him.

Investigation at Newark was resumed on July 9th and I was informed by O. S. Cole of the Newark Health Department that the subject was discharged from the Essex County Isolation Hospital on July 3rd, 1936, on the ground that his trachoma was not immediately communicable; that since his discharge the subject had been receiving treatments at the Eye & Ear Infirmary, 77 Central Avenue,