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I, Rong Xu, currently living in 4 Sharon Place, Awapuni, Palmerston North, New Zealand, MAKE OATH AND SAY THAT:

1. My name is Rong Xu, born on July 11, 1979, in Yulin City, Shaanxi Province, Chinese passport number E39233930 I currently living in 4 Sharon Place, Awapuni, Palmerston North, New Zealand, having escaped from China in August 2017.

2. I have been since year 2000, a member of the Church of Almighty God (CAG), a Christian church whose members are severely persecuted in China.

3. I hereby declare that I am personally aware of the circumstances of a CAG member Nan Xiangming who was arrested by CCP police in China on July 24, 2014 for the sole reasons of being members of the Church, burning CDs of hymns and sermons, and housing Church books. The news report about the arrest and sentence of him and other brothers and sisters were published on many Chinese websites. (see <http://bit.ly/2DjTIIu>)

4. Mr. Nan Xiangming, born in 1942, resided at Liquan County, Xianyang City, Shaanxi. All the details of Nan's arrest and persecution were known to me personally through the files such as his verdict, and the interaction with his families, friends, or his relatives and friends. Nan was innocent yet sentenced to three years' imprisonment for believing in Almighty God. The long time in prison without enough to eat coupled with high-intensity labor led to aggravated diabetes. Treatment was delayed due to police refusal for Nan to receive treatment out of custody and in February 2016, Nan died in prison, at 74 years of age. The following are the facts of Nan's being arrested, detained, and brutalized to death by the CCP.

On July 24, 2014, the police forced entry and without showing any documents, starting to search the home. He was arrested, and his properties were confiscated.

That evening at around 8 o'clock, the local police conducted interrogations of Nan and the others successively. The police forced them to answer what the source of the faith items at his home was and who the top leaders of the Church were. Nan refused to answer and the trial lasted until past midnight. Police intimidation coupled with a long time without food resulted in Nan, who already suffered from diabetes, becoming weak all over, paralysed sat in the corner, holding strong until dawn.

Around 8:00 a.m. on July 25, Nan was transferred to a public security bureau. After that, Nan was detained in a detention center.

On August 2, Nan and the others, wearing prison uniform and handcuffs and shackles, were escorted to the village where Nan lived and paraded in public. On August 29, Nan was officially arrested.

At 3pm on May 14, 2015, Nan Xiangming was sentenced to three years in prison by the People's Court of Liquan County, Shaanxi Province, for the "crime of using a cult organization to undermine the law enforcement." He was 73 years old at that time.

In July 2015, Nan Xiangming was transferred to Weinan Prison in Shaanxi Province to serve his sentence. Three days later after he got imprisoned, the prison authorities called his daughter and asked her to buy drugs to treat his diabetes. Since then, the prison officers refused visits by Nan's family and only allowed monthly payments to his bank card; no other items were allowed to be sent.

On February 1, 2016, the prison once again called Nan's daughter and asked her to send 20,000RMB. The next day, his daughter went to the prison and learned that he was in a critical condition and had been sent to a prison hospital in Xi'an, Shaanxi Province.

In the hospital visitation room, Nan secretly said to his daughter that the long period of not eating enough in hospital had resulted in a deterioration of his diabetes. Through checks, his blood sugar level had reached 14-15mmol/L (at home Nan's blood sugar remained in normal range of 3-5mmol/L). Moreover, recently when he ate something, he vomited whatever he ate, and his throat was also very uncomfortable. His daughter's successive requests to prison guards for her father to be transferred for treatment and to be treated out of custody were all rejected. The prison said: "The Chinese Communist Party's policy is: treatment out of custody for diabetes will only be given in the case of blindness or foot rot!"

At 9:00 p.m. on February 7, Nan's family received a call from the prison. The prison authorities said that all rescue measures had proved ineffectual and that Nan had died.

Afterwards, a relative of Nan's learned from the hospital that all rescue measures had proved ineffectual, and that he had died because diabetic syndrome triggered by high blood sugar had led to coronary heart disease.

Only at the strong demand of Nan's family did the authorities of the prison pay the 8,000RMB cremation fee.

6. I declare that all the above circumstances are true, that I know them from direct contacts with the persons concerned and other reliable witnesses, and that my only aim is to make the truth of the case known to all the interested parties.

CITY OF WELLINGTON

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE

ME, on the 17th day of
March, 2018

Signature

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE



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