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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
FOR YOUR LOVE AND HELP

March 29, 1999

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today once again we send this letter to you , presenting to you about my son **MINH CHÁNH ĐUÔNG** born on 1-1-1963 who is still left in Vietnam.

I did make an application according to McCain program for my son to come here with us but it was not approved. The ODP office in the US. Embassy in Bangkok, Thailand wants me to use the form I-130, instead.

As far as I know, form I-130 requires a US. Citizenship for the sponsorship. I will have enough five years till the year of 2,001 (three more years) to be eligible for taking the test of naturalization. And in case I fail the test, my sponsorship may be impossible for my son to come to us. He has been purposely enduring his celibacy so far for an approval by the US. Government to come to us, and you can imagine his perseverance because he is now 36 years old .

We the parents feel so painful when seeing so many children of those in the HO program like ours come here with their parents, while my dear son has been waiting since 7-8-1995. According to the form I-130, the sponsor is responsible for shelter, foods, clothes and medical expenses for the new comer not as refugee. We fully agree to do so.

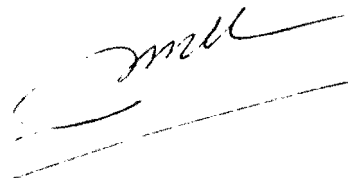
But this letter is to request you to help us in asking the ODP office in the US. Embassy in Bangkok, Thailand to allow my son to come here with us as soon as possible. My son is still suffering from maltreatment in education in college and employment in factories because of his father's imprisonment records. He feels very lonesome now in Vietnam because of living far from his parents and brothers.

We sincerely extend our deep gratitudes and heartfelt thanks to you for your love and help to a poor family where the parents and some children are still hoping and looking forward to seeing their dear son and brother day by day.

We pray that God bless you and your family for your good deeds to the poor family members who expect one simple thing, the reunion of family.

Most respectfully yours,

Sincerely yours,



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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

My wife and I respectfully present to you about the denial for our oldest son Minh Chanh Duong to accompany us to the United States of America. The case is described as follows:

Our family is composed of 8 persons: parents, 4 sons and 2 daughters. Before the North Vietnamese Communists took over South Vietnam, we all had lived in my parents' house at 1/2 Ho Bieu Chanh, Phu Nhuan District, Gia Dinh Province, which is now 1/2 Ho bieu Chanh, Section 12, Phu Nhuan District, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

I was imprisoned in the re-education communist camp on May 1, 1975, and during the same time, my wife and children were forced to leave home for the new-economic area, because all the relatives of the civil servants and military servicemen of the former Saigon government were forced to go to such deserted areas for production. The so-called new economic areas used to be the hidouts of the communists for fighting the Saigon government armed forces. They are the bad places for growing rice and plants, have no conveniences in medical treatment for patients and no middle schools for students.

During that time, my oldest son was in the 6th grade of the middle school. If he had come with us to the new economic area to live, he would have no middle school to attend. For this reason, he had to stay at 1/2 Ho bieu Chanh, Section 12, Phu Nhuan District, Ho chi Minh City for his continuation of education.

Under the current communist rule, all the citizens from age of 15 have to file for the citizen I.D. cards. According to the government annoucements, each Vietnamese citizen from 15 years old has to file the citizen I.D. card right at the place here he or she is residing, no matter temporary or permanent residence. This is the reason why my oldest son Minh Chanh Duong , born on 1-1-1963, had to file his citizen I.D. card at the city he was residing.

There is the difference between the citizen I.d. card issued by the current communist government and the one issued by the former Saigon government:

- The communist citizen I.D. card has just the full name and the birth date of the card holder.

- The former Saigon government I.D. card had the full name, the birth date and also the parents' names of the card holder.

Due to the lack of the parents' names on the citizen I.D. card, some fraud claims might be done and made the interviewers disapprove those who have no same residence address as their family members.

My whole family members were called to an interview at room number 6 in Saigon in August, 1995. The interviewer rejected my oldest son Minh Chanh Duong's citizen I.D. card and said that he denied my son because of his different address on his I.D. card. We all were very painful, but dared not say anything because of fearing that my whole family would be denied.

We can prove that Minh Chanh Duong is our real blood son whose school reports, student I.D. card , birth certificate have his parents' names. In addition, my son Minh Chanh Duong has been still staying single , in the age of 35, to wait for the approval of his case so that he may reunite with his parents and three other younger brothers in this

country. Are you touched when hearing a man who denies to marry just to wait for an approval of reunion with his parents and brothers in the USA?

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have been living in this country for almost three years, still waiting for our oldest son Minh Chanh Duong reunion with us. We sincerely request your love, mercy and help be put in our family situation. One day, my son Minh Chanh Duong arrives in the United States at an airport, we all will give him hugs and say to him that, "The US. Government and the Americans love you. Without their help, you could have not met with hus here." May God bless you all for your love and help.

Sincerely yours,

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I the undersigned Dr. Minh Van Lam, pastor of the Vietnamese Hope Baptist Church at Alexandria, VA 22310, (), testify that Mr. and Mrs. Hue Minh Duong are my church members, who are very honest and good Christians. Please, help them.

Sincerely yours,

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