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To: Nurse In Charge

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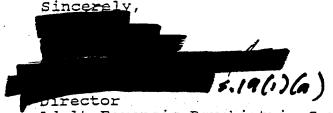
Re: GAO, Dr. Feng

This letter will authorize

Brett Haughian, Lisa Ferguson, Gordon Smith and Cindy-Lee Robinson patient's counsel, access to the above-mentioned patient's record for the purpose of his/her Review Panel. The Review Panel is scheduled to take place on February 9, 1994 @ 1000 Hrs ( 10:00 A.M. ).

This authorization is valid until February 9, 1994 @ ( 10:00 A.M. )

only. The patient's counsel should not review the patient's record when the patient is present. Thank you.



Adult Forensic Psychiatric Services

cc: Medical Records Department
Forensic Psychiatric Institute

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F sic Psychiatric Services Commission 70 Colony Farm Road Port Coquitlam British Columbia V3C 5X9

February 3, 1994

Chairman, Review Panel
Unit 6, Riverview Hospital
500 Lougheed Highway
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
V3C 4J2

Dear Sir:

Re: GAO, Feng

F.P.I.: 208506

A.D.: January 26/94
B.D.: January 29/59
Status: Involuntary

I spoke to Feng Gao, his probation officer Fred Hitchcock, his aunt Sally Lee, and FPI who spoke to Mr Gao's mother.

Feng Gao was admitted to FPI on an involuntary status after his relatives became concerned that he was going to harass people whom he had court orders to leave alone.

According to Mr. Gao, he had worked as an assistant professor at UBC on a contract basis for three years. During that time, he applied for a more permanent arrangement, and according to Mr. Gao his employer persuaded him to withdraw the application on the basis that he had little chance of getting it, and offered him a one year extension to his contract instead. When he found out after the fact that his chances of getting the more permanent job were good, he felt his employer had not been truthful. He felt that the employer had previously acted in a similar way toward another employee, and that his employer was retaliating against him for siding with the other person.

UBC Health Sciences Hospital also apparently had some records about him which he wanted to see, and when he approached staff there to see his records in April 1993, he was charged with assaulting a security guard, and was convicted 1 Dec 1993 and given a year's term of probation with several conditions, including keeping appointments, at the forensic outpatients clinic, and accepting treatment, and not to be found at UBC or near a victim's office or residence.

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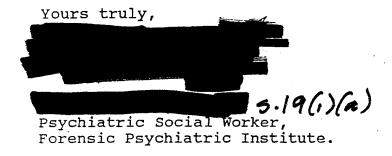
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Mr. Gao's contract expired at UBC in June 1993, and did not feel his grievances were being heard. He consulted some lawyers about it, who did not feel they could help. He also made his problems known to the CBC and other media, and they did not feel it was a story they could use.

He persisted in trying to convince these people to help him, and appears February 11, 1994 on a charge of harassing a lawyer, and on February 23, 1994 on three mischief charges, associated with another lawyer. He feels these charges will not adversely affect his life.

Mr. Gao has recently been living at home with his mother since April 1993, when she travelled to Vancouver from China in order to ensure that he got help. Currently he lives in his mother's basement suite.

Mr. Gao does not acknowledge that he has a mental illness, and he will not take his medications reliably. Although he has at times appeared to have put his differences with others aside and got on with other things, his mother recently became concerned that his problems were coming back to him. He was continuing to believe that he had been persecuted by his former employer, and that his grievances actually had been aired on television in the U.S. (they were not.) As well, he had recently got his car repaired and felt he had been overcharged for the work and on January 23, 1994 four spare tires were coincidentally stolen, and Mr. Gao perceived a connection which was not apparent to others, and there was a concern in the community that he was again decompensating and would again be harassing people.



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February 7, 1994

Chairman
Review Panel
Unit 6
Riverview Hospital
500 Lougheed Highway
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
V3C 4J2

Dear Sir or Madam:

RE: GAO, Feng

FPI # 208506

A.D.: 26 January 1994 B.D.: 29 January 1959 Status: Involuntary

Mr. Gao was admitted on an Involuntary basis to the Forensic Psychiatric Institute on January 26, 1994, having been certified under the Mental Health Act by at the Forensic Out-Patient Clinic. As a condition of his Probation, Mr. Gao was required to attend the Forensic Out-Patient Clinic. Mr. Gao refused to take his oral antipsychotic medications, insisting that he was not suffering from a mental illness and did not require treatment. He initially accepted depot Haldol, but later refused subsequent doses. In addition, it became apparent to the staff that his behaviour was at times inappropriate. He often expected to have his needs met immediately and became anxious and agitated when they were not. frequently left messages on the Clinic's answering machine. These messages generally focussed on his compliance with his medications and his continual requests to obtain his medical records from U.B.C. Hospital. Mr. Gao was convinced he was wrongly diagnosed there and was insistent on disputing his diagnosis with his psychiatrist at the Forensic Out-Patient clinic. Furthermore, he apparently told his mother that he was receiving messages from the radio and t.v. and that he indeed still wanted his claimed injustices broadcast on the media.

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RE: GAG

GAO, Feng FPI # 208506

Status: Involuntary

7 February 1994

As you are no doubt aware from his Pre-Sentence Report, Mr. Gao has had several psychiatric admissions since December 1992. Apparently there is a family history of psychiatric illness involving two of his mother's cousins, but I have no details on this.

I interviewed Mr. Gao on three occasions, January 26 & 31 and February 7, 1994. He presented as an intelligent man who was very organized and structured in both his thoughts and expressions. He displayed very little spontaneous movement and was emotionally shallow, and as such inaccessible. At no time did I feel that good rapport was ever established. He was described as "asocial" by ward staff, stating that he always kept to himself, and never made idle conversation with other patients.

He gave an accurate account of his dispute with U.B.C. in regards to a teaching position he applied for. He feels that his accusations of wrongdoing and his subsequent actions were justified. He admits that he has no proof that he was intentionally refused the position or that his former boss conspired against him. He told me he no longer was focussed or obsessed about these events or the people involved, and stated that he had no plans to pursue the matter. Mr. Gao admitted that in November 1992 he wanted to contact Gloria Makarenko (host of a CBC news program), and be interviewed by her so that he could tell his story to the public and explain the conspiracy against him, as well as tell the public that the Charlottetown Accord was a "scam" planned by the then Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney. He stated that he did speak to several CBC employees, and believes that they may still be interested in his story, and furthermore he believes it is possible that some radio stations in the United States may have broadcast his story despite not being aware of it. He does not feel that these beliefs are unusual but he agrees that his actions were, at times, excessive, and admits that when he feels strongly about something he sometimes has trouble controlling his actions. He is insistent that he no longer holds these beliefs and has no intention of contacting any radio or T.V. stations, or any of the people at U.B.C. In reference to the claim that he receives messages from the T.V. and radio, he states that his mother misunderstood him. He states he does not receive messages, but believes he has a keen ability to "read between the lines" and interpret the "true and hidden" meaning of the news broadcasts.

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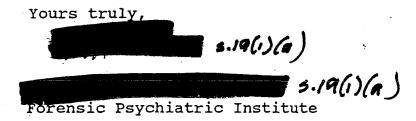
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On admission Mr. Gao was placed on Risperidone in the hope of reducing any side effects and improving compliance. To date he has been compliant with treatment.

It is my opinion that Mr. Gao suffers from Paranoid Schizophrenia and has some paranoid and schizoid personality traits. He has very little appreciation for the obsessive, insistent quality of his behaviour, and the discomfort and annoyance that it causes others. Mr. Gao does not believe he suffers from a mental illness, and interprets his actions as simply a result of his strong convictions. He believes he does not require antipsychotic medications, and has been non-compliant with treatment in the past. I feel he has a fixed delusion in regards to his failure to secure a permanent teaching position at U.B.C. Although to date his actions have not been seriously aggressive, I believe that if he is not compliant with medication he may deteriorate and would then be potentially dangerous, and for these reasons I recommend the Review Panel detain Mr. Gao until he is fully stabilized.



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#### MENTAL HEALTH ACT [Section 21 (5), R.S.B.C. 1979, c.256]

### REPORT BY REVIEW PANEL

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#### MENTAL HEALTH ACT

#### SECTION 21

To: Dr. Heng Sao.

DATE: <u>FEB. 09, 1994</u>

WARD: RAE

FACILITY: F.P.I.

Dear Nr. Yav.

The Review Panel, appointed under the Mental Health Act, Section 21, has met for the purpose of determining whether or not you should be detained.

It is the decision of the Review Panel that you NOT BE DETAINED.

Yours truly,

E.C. Vipond

Chairperson Review Panel E.C. Vipond

Copies to:

- Review Panel Office
- Chairperson
- Hospital's Appointee
- Patient's Appointee
- (Mr. E.C. Vipond) 5.19(1)(a)

(Ms. J. Jones - B.C.C.L.A.)

- Patient's Physician & Charge Nurse
- Patient's Record
- Social Work Department
- Patient's Counsel
- Hospital Presenter

(Mr. B. Haughian - M.H.L.P.)