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CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND  
REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931  
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

INDIA

SEIZURE OF 45 KG. 508.8 GR. OF OPIUM MADE AT BOMBAY, 14 JULY 1947.

Report Communicated by the Government of India on 2 July 1947.

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Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following report on the above mentioned seizure to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

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1. Date of seizure. . . . . 14th July 1946.
2. Port of seizure and the department making the seizure. Bombay. Preventive Department, Bombay Custom House.
3. Number and description of packages, tins, wrappers, labels, etc., seized, including the marks, if any, thereon. -
4. Place of seizure . . . . . 8 lbs. (3 kg. 628.7 grs) seized in a chest of drawer, and 92 lbs. 5 9/32 ozs. (41 kg. 880.1 gr.) seized from the cavity between the panels of the ship and the iron platings in 2 separate places in the cabin of the 3rd Engineer, access to which was only possible by removing woodwork and paneling in the cabin.
5. Nature of contents; quantity . . . . . Indian Opium 100 lbs. 5 9/32 ozs. (45 kg. 508.8 grs.) @ Rs.2/- (U.S. \$0.60) per tola. (11.7 grammes).
6. Name of manufacturer and place of origin -
7. Name of the vessel its agents, the port from which it started and its ports of call. S.S. SAN ANTONIO
8. From whom, how, where, and at what price drugs were obtained by accused, if any. As per accused from persons ashore whose name he did not know.
9. Personal particulars of accused, if any (name nationality, occupation and other details).  
 Names: (1) Chu Wan Chi (2) Ko Chin Shan (3) Chu Ching (4) Lal Md. Khan (5) Abdul Gani Khairullah. Ages: (1) (1) Nationality: (1) Chinese (2) Chinese (3) Chinese (4) Mohamaden (5) Mohamaden. Occupation: (1) 3rd Engineer (2) unemployed (3) 3rd Officer (4) Labourer (5) Rent Collector in town. Build: (1) Medium (2) Thin (3) Medium (4) Medium (5) Tall, well built. Height: (1) 5'2" (157 cm.) (2) 5' (152 cm.) (3) 5'1" (155 cm.) (4) 5'3" (160 cm.) (5) 5'6" (168 cm.) Marks: (1) Scar on left cheek. (2) Mole on right cheek. (3) Scar on right side of head. (4) & (5) Police division will furnish. Residence: (1) S.S. Antonio. (2) Kamathipura.

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9. Personal particulars of accused, if any (name, nationality, occupation and other details).  
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- Residence: (continued) (3) C.S.ST. Antonio (4) Foot-path. Princess & Victoria Docks. (5) Kamathipura. Statement: Accused No.1 stated that all the opium did not belong to him but most of it found in the cavities between the paneling and iron plates in his cabin was put there without his knowledge by a fitter on board who shared his cabin. No.2 stated he came to see No.1 for monetary help. No.3 the third officer said he only came to offer money to the Customs Officials because he saw a friend in trouble. No.4 and No.5 arrested by Police.
10. Name and address of consignor . . . . . Not known.
11. Destination (country and place, and consignee) Singapore and Far Eastern Ports.
12. Date of despatch from the country of origin, if known. -
13. No. of labels (or copies of labels), wrappers and tins or other containers sent with the report. nil.
14. Any other particulars throwing light on the method employed in the illicit traffic in drugs.
15. Judicial decision regarding the seizure. . . . . Accused No.1 was 3rd Engineer of the ship. Pleaded guilty, was convicted and sentenced to one year's R.I. and to pay a fine of Rs.1,000/- (U.S. \$301.80) or in default to serve a further term 3 months R.I. (2) Who was arrested for walking into the cabin, when search was going on was discharged for want of sufficient evidence. (3) The accused is the 3rd Officer of the same ship was on bail, has absconded. Accused Nos. 4 and 5 discharged for want of sufficient evidence. By the Presidency Magistrate 3rd Court of Mr. G.R.Rege at esplanade Police Court on 18th October 1946.

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