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REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

CHINA

SEIZURES OF NARCOTIC DRUGS MADE DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 1947

Report Communicated by the Government of China

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 seizures
to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the
Convention.

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REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA FOR THE FIRST
HALF YEAR OF 1947 ON SEIZURES OF OPIUM AND OTHER
DANGEROUS DRUGS IN THE ILLICIT TRAFFIC

Compiled by the Opium Suppression Commission of the
Ministry of the Interior

I. CHEKIANG PROVINCE

1. On 5 January 1947 LI Hsin-ho, carrying a small amount of "white powder" (morphine) from Shanghai to P'inghu for sale, was arrested by the police at the latter city. The drug was seized and the offender sent to the judicial division of the hsien government of P'inghu for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment. The seized drug, weighing 5 grammes was confiscated and destroyed.

2. CHIN Chien*, a patient at the Army Hospital of the 13th Brigade at Hankow, sent 700 grammes of morphine hydrochloride in a small parcel to Haimen, Chekiang. On 13 February 1947, the drug was discovered by the Chekiang customs office and forwarded to the hsien government of Haimen for confiscation and destruction according to law.

II. HOPEI PROVINCE

1. On 1 January 1947, MA Ma-shih**, a peddler, carrying a piece of heroin compound and a packet of heroin from Peiping to Paoting, was arrested by the police at the north gate of the latter city. The drug was seized and the trafficker sent to the Paoting District Court for trial. She was subsequently sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment for trafficking in dangerous drugs. The seized heroin compound, weighing 78 grammes and the packet of heroin were confiscated and destroyed.

III. FUKIEN PROVINCE

1. On 7 January 1947, WANG Chih-liang, carrying 50 grammes of opium from Amoy to Anch'i, Fukien, for sale, was arrested by the local militia of the latter city. The offender was sent to the judicial division of the hsien

* See document E/NS.1947/254

** See document E/NS.1947/250

government of Anch'i for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to 7 years' imprisonment for possessing opium with intent to sell. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

IV. KWANGSI PROVINCE

1. On 12 April 1947, CH'EN Ying, carrying 322 grammes of opium, attempted to board a bus at Yungning for Pinyang. He was arrested by the police and sent to the Yungning District Court for trial. He was subsequently sentenced to 7 years' imprisonment for possessing opium intended for sale. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

2. On 13 May 1947, CHOU Teh-hsin was employed by an unidentified person to carry certain merchandise to Huatungchen, Leip'ing. At Yenhua, The Peace Preservation Corps of Kwangsi searched him and discovered that he had concealed 106 grammes of opium in his goods. Chou was thereupon placed under arrest and sent to the judicial division of the hsien government of Leip'ing for trial. He was subsequently sentenced to 7 years' imprisonment for possessing opium with intent to sell. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

V. YUNNAN PROVINCE

1. On 24 March 1947, the air mail section of the Yunnan post office reported four cases of illicit traffic in opium through the mails:

(a) 8 grammes of opium sent from Kunming to TSOU Yung-sun, 1354, K'angting Road, Shanghai;

(b) 9 grammes of opium sent from Kunming to HSIEH Wen-ching, 442, Fanwangtu Road, Shanghai;

(c) 5 grammes of opium sent from Kunming to LI Hsiao-pao, 442, Jessfield Road, Shanghai;

(d) 5 grammes of opium sent from T'engch'ung to SHAO Tsu-chin, 2, Chinjihfang, Taksí Road, Shanghai.

VI. KWEICHOW PROVINCE

1. SHEN Shou-pin and LIU Li-jen, carrying 8 kg. 500 gr. of opium in their baggage, attempted to ride in a mail van from Huanghsien, Kweichow, to

Tung'eu. They were detained by the employees of the Kweichow Post Office, who discovered the smuggled goods. The drug was seized and the offenders sent to Police Headquarters at Huanghsien to be dealt with according to law.

VII. LIAONING PROVINCE

1. On 1 January 1947, WANG Hsi-k'uei, employed by two persons surnamed HUANG and YIN, carried 46 small bags of opium, of a total weight of 365 grammes from Ch'aoyang, Jehol, to Chuchiatur, Tsangwu, for sale. On the following day he was arrested by the police at the Tahushan station on the Mukden-Shanhaikwan Railway. The drug was seized and the offender sent to the Chihhsien District Court for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to two years' imprisonment for possessing opium with intent to sell. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

2. On 14 March 1947, KOU Ming-shan bought at Haishan from an unidentified person 88 grammes of opium and 6 grammes of raw opium for CN.\$36,000 (USA \$2,88). He intended to bring the drugs to Niuts'un, T'ai-an, for resale. While passing by the hsien government of T'ai-an, his agitated appearance aroused the suspicions of the police, who thereupon searched him and discovered the drugs on him. The offender was sent to the T'ai-an District Court for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment. The seized drugs were confiscated and destroyed.

VIII. THE MUNICIPALITY OF NANKING

1. On 17 March 1947, CHAO Ching-yen, carrying 250 grammes of opium from Shuhsien, Anhwei, to Nanking, was arrested by the police at a Pukow pier. He was sent to the Nanking District Court for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to two years' imprisonment. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

2. On 12 March 1947, SUN Hien-yin concealed a quantity of opium in two bags of taro and took a train from Shuhsien, Anhwei to Huach'iyin. At the station of the latter place, on discovery of the contraband, he was seized by the railway police and sent to the Nanking District Court for trial, where he

was subsequently

was subsequently sentenced to one year's imprisonment for possessing opium. The seized opium and taro (because of hot weather both had melted and become mixed), of a total weight of 937 grammes were confiscated and destroyed.

IX. THE MUNICIPALITY OF TIENSIN

1. CHANG Hsu-lin*, a steward on SS Huanghsing, while at Tientsin with the ship, met SUN Chih-p'ing who had booked passage to Shanghai on the same vessel. Sun, a drug trafficker, had transported 2 kg. 750 gr. of raw materials for heroin from Peiping and had entrusted the contraband to WANG Hung-i, cashier of the Wanlung Hotel, North Road, Tientsin, for safe-keeping. In the evening of 18 February 1947, Sun persuaded Chang, to whom he promised a reward of CN \$40,000 (USA \$3.20) to accompany him to North Road to smuggle the drug to the ship. After receiving the drug from Wang, they hired two "pedi-cabs" to take them to the vessel: one carrying Chang with the contraband, and the other following with Sun. On Taku Road, the police stopped the first "pedi-cab" and questioned Chang and, on discovery of the contraband, placed him under arrest. In the meantime, Sun eluded police attention and took to flight. Acting on the evidence of Chang, the police subsequently arrested Wang. Both offenders were sent to the Tientsin District Court for trial, where Chang was sentenced to six years' imprisonment for assisting in trafficking in dangerous drugs, and Wang was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for possessing narcotics. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.

2. On 26 March 1947, P'ENG Hsüeh-hsun**, carrying 158 grammes of "white powder" and three opium sticks from Peiping to Tientsin for sale, was arrested by police in the latter city. He was sent to the Tientsin District Court for Trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment. The seized drugs were confiscated and destroyed.

X. THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHUNGKING

1. On 7 March 1947, CH'EN Ch'un was arrested by the police at Chiao Ch'angk'ou, Chungking, on discovery of a packet of morphine

* See document E/NS.1947/255

salts on him. He was sent to the Chungking District Court for trial, where he was subsequently sentenced to one year's imprisonment for possessing dangerous drugs. The seized drug was confiscated and destroyed.
