

WORKING GROUP ON ENFORCED OR INVOLUNTARY DISAPPEARANCES

COMMUNICATION FORM

1. INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISAPPEARED PERSON
(a) * Family name(s): Kim
(b) * Given names(s): <u>Kyu-heung</u>
(c) Pseudonyms or other forms besides given name, by which he or she may be known: N/A
(d) Sex: √ _ male / female
(e) Occupation/profession: Elementary school teacher
(f) Father's name: Mother's name:
(g) Date of birth: 2 April 1917
(h) Place and country of birth: Yenhwa-ri 912 Ongjin-gun Backryong-myeon, Gyeonggido, Rep of Korea
(i) Was the person below 18 years-old at the moment of the disappearance?yes / $\sqrt{}$ no
(j) Identity document (passport, national identity card, voter's card or any other relevant national identity card
Type: Notice of Decision as Korean War Abductee
Number: N/A
Date of issue: 20 June 2012
Place and country of issue: Seoul, Republic of Korea
(k) Nationality or nationalities: Republic of Korea
(l) Address of usual residence: same as above
(m) Any other place of residence at the moment of the disappearance: $\underline{N/A}$
(n) Marital status: <u>married</u> (o) Indigenous: <u>\lambda</u> yes / <u>no</u> no (p) Pregnant: <u>yes / \lambda</u> no

2. INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FACTS

- (a) * Date of arrest, abduction or disappearance (at least month and year): ?
- (b) * Place of arrest, abduction or where the disappearance occurred (be as precise as possible. Indicate street, city, province or any other relevant information):

Kim Kyu-heung was graduated from the Samu School established by Japanese in Shinuiju and worked at the Aprokkang Supoong Power Plant for several years, then came to Packryoung-do where he started to teach Gayul primary School (presently Bukpo primary school). He was abducted by the North Korean People's Army while he was teaching. Then in Packryoung-do there are four primary schools, and the North Korean People's army occupied them and didn't give salaries to teachers. Because Kim Kyu-heung said that teachers in poor economic condition should be paid to continue their teaching, he was taken to the prison as political offender in Packryoung Jinchon-ri,

and when they retreated, he was also taken and held for a while in Jangyeon Prison, North Korea. Then, when South Korean army advanced North, North Korean Peoples Army set fire to the prison and fled. They said most of the prisoners (about 100) in Jangyeon Prison was burned to death.

- (c) * Date when the person was last seen (at least month and year), if different from date of arrest or abduction (for example: if seen in a prison months after the initial arrest or abduction) ? August, 1950
- (d) * Place where the person was last seen (if different from place of arrest or abduction. For example: if seen in a prison months after the initial arrest or abduction. Please, be as precise as possible. Indicate street, city, province or any other relevant information):

I (son, Kim Ha-jin) remember seeing him as he was taken in his pajama on winter night. I was 10 years old at that time. But the facts that he was in Jangyeon Prison and maybe burned to death was heard from my mother (who died in 2010)

- (e) **Please, provide a full description of how the disappearance took place** (attach one page if necessary. Please note that, although this is not a required element, providing a description as detailed as possible of the circumstances of the disappearance will enhance the possibilities to find the person)
- (f) * State or State-supported forces believed to be responsible for the disappearance. If the perpetrators are believed to be State agents, please specify and indicate who and why they are believed to be responsible. Be as precise as possible (military, police, persons in uniform or civilian clothes, agents of security services, unit to which they belong, rank and functions, identifications presented, etc.)
- (g) If identification as State agents is not possible, please indicate why you believe that Government authorities, or persons linked to them, may be responsible for the incident.
- (h) If there are witnesses to the incident, please provide their names and relation to the victim. If they wish to remain anonymous, indicate if they are relatives, by-standers, or others. If there is evidence, please specify.
- (i) Additional Information on the case. Please indicate any other relevant information that could be useful to find the person.

3. INFORMATION CONCERNING ACTIONS TAKEN AFTER THE DISAPPEARANCE

- * Indicate any action taken (police inquiries, jail, human rights commission, habeas corpus petition etc.) taken by the relatives or others to locate the person. You are required to state the following: when, by whom, and before which organ the actions were taken.
- (a) Complaints (when, by whom, and before which organ/s): N/A
- (b) Other steps taken (when, by whom, and before which organ/s):

(c) If no action was not taken, please explain why: N/A

4. PERSON OR ORGANIZATION SUBMITTING THE COMMUNICATION

* Person submitting the communication

(a) Family name: <u>Kim</u>(b) First name: Ha-jin

(c) Relationship with the disappeared person: Son

(d) Contact details (address, telephone, fax, email):

Please contact with the organization below

* Organization submitting the communication (if applicable)

(e) Contact details (address, telephone, fax, email):

Korean War Abductes' Family Union (also referred as KWAFU) 2F, Seongil Building, 317 Cheongnyangni-dong,

Dongdaemun-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea

<u>Tel: +82-2-964-0625</u> Fax: +82-2-964-1205

email: jinhwan2103@hanmail.net

5. CONFIDENTIALITY REQUEST

Please state whether you would like <u>your identity</u> to be kept <u>confidential</u>

Yes, keep my identity confidential:

No request for confidentiality:

* Date: 28 March 2016 Place: Seoul, ROK

* Signature of author:



***Reference: Notice of Decision as Korean War Abductee

A special law pertaining to the Korean War abductions finally legislated in March 2010, and the National Committee on Investigating Abductions during the Korean War was established with the Prime Minister as chairman. This new law stipulates government to compile an updated list of abductees based on petitions submitted by surviving family members of the abductees.