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World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong (WOIPFG)

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Summary

- 1. "In 2016, we should have done 700 cases [of organ transplantation]."
- 2. The hospital has done more than 100 transplants, since the beginning of year 2017.
- 3. There are two hospital wards for liver transplants.
- 4. In the past, the patients only needed a very short wait time to find a donor from the prisons.
- 5. [Investigator: If we pay more, can we get organs from prisoners?] Kong: Now there are very few such opportunities.
- 6. "Many [organs] are from other cities. For instance, when a matching liver is found, it will be shipped to us very quickly."
- 7. The hospital has the capability to form three or four teams to perform transplants simultaneously.

Phone Investigation Recording

Investigator: Hello, is this Doctor Kong Defu at Renji Hospital?

Kong: Yes, and this is...

Investigator: Hi, how do you do, Doctor Kong Defu? I am calling from Changzhou. A family member of mine wants to have a liver transplant. I've called several local hospitals and they all recommended your hospital, saying that you have done a lot of liver transplants, and the results are good. So I decided to call you. Do you still perform liver transplants?

Kong: Right, we do.

Investigator: Oh, if we come over with the patient, how long is the wait time? How long does the patient have to wait to get the transplant operation done?

Kong: We need to evaluate his situation first.

Investigator: Right. So you are not certain. Your hospital, as they have said, has done many liver transplants. [Kong Defu: Correct.] I feel that the wait time is probably shorter.

Do you really perform a lot of liver transplants? Have you started performing any operation this year?

Kong Defu: Yes, we started earlier this year, very early.

Investigator: Very early this year. For the liver transplants, how many liver transplants do you do every year? They told me that your hospital has done a lot. I would like to know to what extent? For example, in 2016...

Kong: To the extent that, in 2016, we should have done 700 cases.

Investigator: 700 cases?

Kong: Basically, we are one of the largest in terms of the volume of transplants, all over the world.

Investigator: No. 1, did you mean your hospital is ranked first?

Kong: Correct, correct!

Investigator: It is really a lot, to have 700 transplants in a year. How about this year? In the first two months, you probably have done more than 100 transplants, correct?

Kong: Yes.

Investigator: Wow, so they did the right thing in recommending this hospital to me.

Kong: Hmm.

Investigator: So you have only one ward for liver transplants?

Kong: Two for liver transplants.

Investigator: Let's say that without any special circumstances, how long does the patient stay in hospital before being discharged?

Kong: Generally speaking, after the liver transplant, the patient needs to stay in the intensive care unit for one week. [Investigator: Oh]. Then the patient will be transferred to the ordinary ward, for another week. That's about it.

Investigator: So that is two to three weeks.

Kong: Right, right.

Investigator: I guess the scale of your hospital is relatively big, compared with other hospitals?

Kong: The primary focus of our liver department is this thing...

Investigator: Oh, then...

Kong: It's liver transplantation.

Investigator: Doctor Kong, I would like to ask you a question. [Kong: Hmm, go ahead] A friend of mine received treatment here about seven or eight years ago in your hospital. He said that he only stayed in the hospital for a short period of time before a donor was found for him. As it was mentioned before, the donor was a death-row prisoner, [Kong: Right] or someone in jail [Kong: Right, you are right]. Was it true in the past? Kong: Presently, we get livers from relatively normal channels. I mean, now there are very few such cases.

Investigator: So the channel from prison, people say that after the operation...

Kong: It is forbidden now. Now the state disallows this way now.

Investigator: So [this type of organs are] forbidden to be used. Then where are the donor sources from? Did you find livers locally?

Kong: Um, if in the case... basically it's from normal and standard channels.

Investigator: Oh, oh, oh.

Kong Defu: Hmm, you don't need to worry about that.

Investigator: The death row prisoners, the channel you used before, I guess there are still such opportunities. If we pay more, can we get organs from prisoners?

Kong: Now there are very few such opportunities.

Investigator: [Regarding the liver extraction], do you do it inside your hospital, or do you remove the liver in the city, where the donor is.

Kong: Because, in regard to where we do it, right, almost all livers are from other areas, from other hospitals.

Investigator: Are they mostly in the same province, or within Shanghai?

Kong: It depends. There are all kinds of scenarios. Many are from other cities. For instance, when a matching liver is found, it will be shipped to us very quickly.

Investigator: Oh, if we come to your hospital to look for you, are you the chief surgeon in the operation, for liver transplants?

Kong: Hmm, my credential is not good enough (to be the chief surgeon). All transplants are performed by our hospital's president.

Investigator: Oh, the president? So when we arrive, we ask for the president? Who is your president? His name?

Kong: Hmm, we have directors and president. Our president is Xia Qiang, the president of our hospital.

Investigator: Oh... so you have several teams doing liver transplants?

Kong: Right, you are right.

Investigators: So considering the scale of your transplants, there should be more than two teams, right?

Kong: Three, three or four.

Investigator: If needed, can the three or four teams perform operations at the same time?

Kong: Hmm, there should be such occasions.

Investigator: Oh, so if we are lucky, maybe as soon as we arrive you will have...

Kong: Right, correct, some patients had the transplant the day they became hospitalized, because it was easy to find a matching liver.

Investigator: Oh

Kong: Hmm.

Investigator: When we arrive, shall we register at the hospital's outpatient services or come look for you directly?

Kong: Uh, let me give you a phone number, okay? My supervisor's, my teacher's phone number.

Investigator: Oh, good.

Kong: You can give him a call. He offers specialist clinic outpatient services, every

Tuesday morning. You may call him now, asking for the basic information.

Investigator: Oh, give me the number, please.

Kong: Let me read the number for you, wait a moment. Hmm.