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June 3, 1947

The American Consul General  
Shanghai,  
China

Dear Sir:

I have a letter dated May 26, 1947 from the Reverend Ai Chih Tsai, stating that his return to the United States is delayed because of his need to enter our country as an immigrant, and that he needs certain affidavits to support his appeal.

This is a surprise to me because I had understood that he had left the United States in service to our country and that he would be returned here either as a servant of the United States or in his previous status as a ministerial student.

I have known Mr. Tsai for possibly eight years. He was a student in the Divinity School of the University of Chicago and a resident in our dormitories. I do not have access to the information desired concerning his income, assets, and liabilities, but I can testify that during his six years of residence in this country he was an asset to us rather than a liability. He was self-supporting, paid all bills promptly, and never asked any financial or other favors.

At my suggestion and with my help, he was enabled to enter the service of our Government during the War. The record of this service is doubtless before you. It seems to me that he rendered a distinguished service in connection with all of the trusts committed to his care.

During the period of his residence here, he was married to Miss Ryo Morikawa, an American citizen of good standing and of good family. Mrs. Tsai and her mother's family are now residents of San Diego, California.

I know the Morikawa family intimately and can assure you that they are quite able to meet any needs and guarantees that might be required by our Government to insure the support and independence of Ai Chih Tsai, and I hereby certify that neither our Government nor our society would be called upon to support any need that might arise in the case of Mr. Tsai.

Mr. Tsai is well trained in the work of the church. He is ordained and is prepared to give his life to Christian service.

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I therefore recommend that you grant him immigration status without qualification, believing that his situation is adequate to meet every need, and that he will be an asset to us as he goes forward with his work.

Sincerely yours,

CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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Business Manager

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