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Inmate Death at FCI Butner (Low)

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, May 18, 2020, inmate Dongfan Greg Chung, went into respiratory failure at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner (Low), in Butner, North Carolina. He was evaluated by institutional medical staff and transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. Mr. Chung tested positive for COVID-19 on May 18, 2020. On Thursday, May 28, 2020, Mr. Chung, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Chung was an 84-year-old male who was sentenced in the Central District of California to a 188-month sentence for Economic Espionage, Acting as an Agent of Foreign Government Without Prior Notification to the Attorney General, and False Statements. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Butner since June 28, 2012.

FCI Butner is a Low security facility that currently houses 1,197 male offenders.

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