EXHIBIT 19 FOR AN ACTIVIST

 Asylum Officer questions, June 2023, of an activist from a country in Asia:

I read your application, but I want you to explain everything to me in your own words [because maybe someone else wrote things in your application]

How did you prepare your written statement?

Did you ever lie on your visa application, or during an interview at the US embassy in your country?

Who prepared your visa application? who actually submitted it? your Uncle? So, you did not read what Uncle submitted?

Is everything in your visa application true? You have not read it recently, have you? You don’t remember the questions or the answers, do you?

Why did you wait so long to file your *asylum* application?

You were arrested in your country? but in your visa application you said you *never* got arrested?

Tell me your complete student visa history

Why did you file your asylum application?

Have you ever been harmed in your country?

You were only harmed once, by the police?

I thought you said you were harmed many times? Are there different kinds of harm? what kinds of harm are you talking about?

Did you suffer physical harm? any other kinds of harm?

Why were you arrested? What clothes was the man wearing, who arrested you? Who was he?

Did you suffer physical harm? [do you wonder why I ask the same question twice? because you give bad, incomplete, inconsistent answers]

How long was your first interrogation? what questions did they ask?

In your asylum application, did you mention different things they asked you about? why is your testimony today different from what you said in your asylum application?

Were you *formally* charged with any crimes?

Before you applied for your visa, did you make any attempt to depart from your country? why not?

What would happen if you return to your country? why would that happen?

When you protested in USA, did someone take your photo? who was he? how would he know your name, just by taking your photo?

Is it true that everyone who asks for a passport must give their photo to the government, and the government keeps it and can compare photographs at protests with photos the government already has?

What is the population of Burma? you don’t know, and I do? Does this embarrass you? how would a photo of you, out of the millions of Burmese, help the government in identifying you?

Do you know anyone who protested in USA, and then returned to Yangon airport,and was arrested upon arrival?

Does your government have infiltrators/spies/informers in your city? how do you know that?

Was Oo Ko Ni assassinated at an airport in Burma? why?

Why do you think your house is being watched? a guy who sells fruit is being paid by the government to spy on your house?

You asked your government to re-new your passport? And they did? why? I thought they wanted to kill you

Why weren’t you arrested when you applied to get passport?

why weren’t you arrested at the airport, as you were departing?

Why did you re-new your passport? [any idea why I ask the same question twice?]

is there anything else?