

N. Y. Widow Says Son Held In Red China Is 'Quite Changed'

HONG KONG, Oct. 31. — life prison term in 1955.

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(U.P.I.) — Mrs. Hugh Redmond returned from eight hours of visits with her imprisoned son in Red China today and said she still is hopeful he will be released.

But the Yonkers, N. Y., widow refused to discuss further the possibility of freedom for Hugh Redmond, Jr., jailed on espionage charges 11 years ago.

Mrs. Redmond, 65, said she spent four two-hour sessions with her son and found him "quite changed but otherwise okay." Redmond, a 43-year-old former Shanghai tobacco importer, was sentenced to a

"Everyone changes," Mrs. Redmond told newsmen in Hong Kong. "If he were at my side it would be different. But anyway he's all right."

She reported communist officials treated her courteously and provided a female interpreter who accompanied her everywhere during her 13-day trip. She saw no anti-American demonstrations over the Cuban crisis, Mrs. Redmond said.

The Yonkers mother said she and her son were allowed to converse without interruption but were not permitted to discuss the espionage charges against him.

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