Q: We have been getting a lot of conflicting information as to the \( \text{כ"ע} \) about what goes on in India.
A: I got at the time this information, maybe it changed by now, I don't know. It probably hasn't changed. It's all done illegally; they bring the hairs and they officially are supposed to burn it, that's the way of their religion, and now suddenly...there's been a lot of Indian hair on the market. But you can make your own inquiries.

Q: How do we know that the cutting of the hair is part of the ceremony \( \text{כ"ע} \) as opposed to a \( \text{כ"ע} \) just to get the hair off the head?
A: That's their religion, you'll inquire. That's supposed to be a \( \text{כ"ע} \) for them, you cut off your hair and then he disposes of them.

Q: And they're \( \text{כ"ע} \) to dispose of it on a \( \text{כ"ע} \)?
A: Yes, they're supposed to give it to the \( \text{כ"ע} \).

Q: But cutting off the hair is part of the religion.
A: That's what we understand.

Q: You were \( \text{כ"ע} \) that for sure.
A: At the time. They give away their hair for that purpose. They cut it and they're supposed to dispose of it and that's their \( \text{כ"ע} \). You can inquire more, I also couldn't inquire too much. I inquired as much as I could.

Q: And they make a \( \text{כ"ע} \)?
A: Yes, they're supposed to. They cut it in order that there should be a \( \text{כ"ע} \). That they make or don't make a \( \text{כ"ע} \) is unimportant. They cut it in order to make a \( \text{כ"ע} \).

Q: And do they make a \( \text{כ"ע} \) on some hairs?
A: That's difficult to say. Some do and some don't. Some do only a bit. The cutting is \( \text{כ"ע} \), and it's made later for the \( \text{כ"ע} \) of \( \text{כ"ע} \).

Q: They only burn a few hairs, I understand.
A: They \( \text{כ"ע} \), they take away, because Indian hairs are the dearest hairs...
I inquired at the time. It was enough for me to be a problem of a \( \text{כ"ע} \) because I couldn't go to the place. They told me you...have to go to India.

Q: There are other professors here in America who claim that
the cutting off of the hair is not part of the ceremony, it's just like a מַחֲזָה-חֹרֶם.
A: I know. But the גוֹי themselves do it for the ceremony. Their religion doesn't demand it, but they themselves give it off because they regard it as a ceremony.

Q: And that is enough to make מַחֲזָה-חֹרֶם.
A: Quite possibly.