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grateful, shameful, painful, paid, raped, racial, existential, ethical, emotional, radical, political, critical, cynical, biological, vulnerable, adoptable, adopted, adoptee, adult adoptee, non-adoptee, adoptee gathering, human trafficking, advocating, adopting, adoptive family, birth family, family reunion, family, Korean family, family history, history, Korean history, Korean adoption history, Korean war, war orphan, orphan, orphanage, heritage, age, teenage pregnancy, unwanted pregnancy, complexity, community, communicate, comfort, comfort women, women, victim, visa, vote, voting, volunteering, European, Korean, Korean-American, American soldier, sold, Holt, Holt International Children's Services, post-adoption services, services, promises, promising, promoting, providing, proceeding, succeeding, soccer, case number, number, boy, toy, tolerance, violence, domestic violence, silence, silenced, silent migration, Hague Convention, UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, Child Welfare Act, acting out, acting, matching, Achim Madang, damaged, changed, change, experience, traumatic experience, adoptee experience, adoptee, Korean adoptee, queer Korean adoptee, Korean adoptee community, adoptee community, community building, belonging, longing, loving, love, loss, lost, cost, white washed, why, away, wedlock, lucky, lobby, copy, keep, KBS, Koreaness, address, awareness, anonymous, answers, international standards, bastards, starvation, qualification, questionnaire, Christian missionaries, Christianity, solidarity, fantasy, nuclear family, dysfunctional family, extended family, Korean family registry, Ministry of Health and Welfare, wealthy, healthy, National Assembly, currently, delivery, Asian masculinity, masculinity, opportunity, patriarchy, poverty, pity, ethnicity, destiny, testimony, only, own, unknown, knowing, not knowing, not showing, showing, shame, blame, name, Korean name, claim, clean break, broke, broken families, broken ties, ties, lies, lied, died, denied, ratified, right, rights, parental rights, light-skinned, determined, demand, infant, in-between, interview, investigate, negotiate, educate, desperate, destructive, adoptive, adoptive country, adoptive parents, prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, birth country, developing country, receiving country, sending country, country, recovery, recognition, reconciliation, reproductive rights, women's rights, human rights issue, psychological issue, personal issue, racial issue, gender issue, identity issue, identity, hyphenated identity, hybrid identity, adoptee identity, Korean adoptee identity, Korean identity, Korean national, national identity, nationality, Korean mentality, melancholy, melancholic, alcoholic, authentic, fanatic, tragic, traumatic, trauma, academia, access, process, lifelong process, living proof,

professor, sponsor, power structure, power relation, blood relation, relationship, intimate relationship, related, separated, isolated, fabricated, alienated, assimilated, manipulated, belated grief, greedy, needy, need, deed, indeed, informed, involved, improved, non-profit, profit, profiting, fighting, fought, foreigner, mirror, Miss Mama Mia, mission, malnutrition, petition, coalition, decision, reaction, reason, resource, research, research objects, objects, secrets, regret, grief, relief, believe, conceive, conference, confess, confront, consume, womb, boom, taboo, untrue, truth, TRACK, lack, background, found, finding, hiding, hoping, coping, conducting, conduct, end up, NGO, omma, Minnesota, quota system, social welfare system, systematically, strategy, stranger, shelter, interpreter, outsider, insider, INKAS, ASK, asked, peaked, pressured, suppressed, repressed, repressed memories, memories, memory, memoir, memorial, journal, paternal line, limbo, born, body, body language, native language, language barrier, Language of Blood, God, ghost, going back, going native, native English speaker, native intellectual, alternative, perspective, collective, cope, cute, culture, cultural difference, inheritance, interest, best interest, best, left, West, DNA test, blood test, blood line, family blood line, colorblind, people of color, Other, unwed mother, natural mother, birthmother, mother tongue, motherland, motherland tour, tourist, psychologist, domestic adoption, overseas adoption, illegal adoption, intercountry adoption, international adoption, transnational adoption, transracial adoption, adoption triad, adoption literature, adoption file, adoption system, adoption story, adoption industry, adoption agency, Adoption Day, gay adoption, adoption law, current adoption law, revised adoption law, 24 hours, 72 hours, 200.000, counseling, consent, percent, agent, against, statistics, bridge, bribe, bill, guilt, GOAL, role model, homogeneous, homogeneous society, home, homeless, stress, stalker, status quo, Joe Soll, stolen, chosen, choice, voice, whiteness, witness, business, loneliness, low self-esteem, self-esteem, self-hatred, self-sufficient, souvenir, survey, survival, suicidal, denial, child, adoptive child, adopted child, child support, financial support, support, report, airport, Audre Lorde, adoption records, open records, sealed records, medical records, court, corrupt, product, procedure, proposal, progressive, pro-adoption, adoption program, adoption papers, paperwork, Korean Unwed Mothers Support Network, Korean Korean, Korean diaspora, diaspora, mentor, mother, Korean mother, Korean father, Koroot, roots, prostitute, contribute, include, increase, decrease, decreasing, depression, depressed, confessed, embarrassed, erased, third space, trace, case, face, race, mixed race, racism, antiracism,

internalized racism, orientalism, imperialism, US imperialism, US militarism, militarism, multiculturalism, neoliberalism, postcolonialism, colonialism, capitalism, activism, altruism, feminism, Confucianism, confused, abused, rescued, excused, export, experiment, social experiment, empowerment, government, Korean government, document, commitment, attachment, attachment issues, attachment disorder, scholar, labor, anger, angry, angry adoptee, anxiety, society, Korean society, subsidy, custody, ideology, story, journey, minority, minority within the minority, majority, white superiority, white privilege, privileged, relinquished, registered, required, requirement, friend, frustrated, fragmented, neglected, rejected, protected, contacted, contact, adapt, draft, kidnapped, apa, past, class, culture clash, culture camp, campaign, dual citizenship campaign, dual citizenship, kinship, benefit, fear, fate, afraid, fraud, Frantz Fanon, common, commodity, commercialized, mobilized, marginalized, infantilized, naturalized, organized, westernized, stigmatized, fetishized, exoticized, Edward Said, Eastern Social Welfare Society, Korea Social Service, social worker, social welfare, social system, welfare system, child welfare, child care, foster care, caring, crying, cry, supply, help, hurt, hit, unique, meet, meeting, missing, mihonmo, mingle, single mother, mourning, returning, researching, searching, suffering, wondering, child laundering, struggling, starving, healing, dealing, origin, giving up, giving up for adoption, option, panel discussion, abortion, abandoned, Ae Ran Wan, random, mom, money, economy, myth, prejudices, social prejudices, prefer, fertility, infertility, fertility rate, low fertility rate, birth rate, birth certificate, birth date, birthday, birth, girl, girls, Chinese girls, China, IKAA, gap, culture gap, map, dad, death, divorce, decide, provide, stereotype, apologize, police, piece, pieces, PhD, discourse, disabled children, childhood, good intentions, Beyond Good Intentions, questions, question, personal question, personal information, information, artificial insemination, insemination, nation, Asian, Amerasian, discrimination, sex education, regulation, legislation, limitation, family preservation, first generation, generation, imagination, emancipation, expectation, donation, transformation, forced migration, return migration, migration, emigration, emigrant, pregnant, David Eng, claiming, explaining, praying, raising, public hearing, baby farming, baby, buying, biracial, special, speak, spoke, told, tough, enough, hojuk, adjusted, well-adjusted, overwhelmed.

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