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Accession Form for Individual Recordings:

<i>Collection / Collector Name</i>	Molly Loomis
<i>Tape No. / Track / Item No.</i>	
<i>Length of track</i>	22:18 minutes
<i>Title of track</i>	IceFallDoctorsLongConversation. wav
<i>Translation of title</i>	
<i>Description</i> (to be used in archive entry)	Ang Nima and Ang Kami discuss different elements of their lives as Ice Fall Doctors: what they like about the job; safety; what their wives think of the work; religion and how it keeps them safe in the ice; spirits in the Icefall and the surrounding mountains and how much longer they expect to do the job. (Some of the conversation is in English. Later on it is translated from Nepali into English.)
<i>Genre or type (i.e. epic, song, ritual)</i>	Conversation
<i>Medium</i> (i.e. reel to reel, web-based file, DVD)	.wav file
<i>Related tracks</i> (include description/relationship if appropriate)	Folder titled Ice Fall Doctors.
<i>Name of recorder</i> (if different from collector)	
<i>Date of recording</i>	April 2011
<i>Place of recording</i>	Everest Base Camp
<i>Name(s), age, sex, place of birth of performer(s)</i>	Ang Kami, 58, and Ang Nima, 57.
<i>Language of recording</i>	English and Nepali.
<i>Performer(s)'s first / native language</i>	Sherpa
<i>Performer(s)'s ethnic group</i>	Sherpa
<i>Musical instruments and / or other objects used in performance</i>	
<i>Level of public access</i> (fully closed, fully open)	Fully open

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<i>Notes and context</i> <i>(include reference to any related documentation, such as photographs)</i>	The Ice Fall Doctors are responsible for setting the fixed lines each spring through the Khumbu Ice Fall on Mount Everest. It is an extremely dangerous job with hazards like avalanches, moving glaciers and tumbling seracs threatening them everyday. Hundreds of climbers rely on the ropes and ladders (used for crossing large crevasses) that these men set and would be unable to climb Mount Everest without their help.
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