

**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
FEDERATION OF MALAYA**

Exchange of letters constituting an agreement about the representation of the Government of the Federation of Malaya, on the Internal Security Council to be established under Part VII of the Singapore (Constitution) Order-in-Council, 1958. Kuala Lumpur, 8 November 1958

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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
FÉDÉRATION DE MALAISIE**

Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à la représentation du Gouvernement de la Fédération de Malaisie au Conseil de sécurité intérieure qui doit être créé en vertu du titre VII de l'ordre en conseil de 1958 relatif à la Constitution de Singapour. Kuala Lumpur, 8 novembre 1958

Texte officiel anglais.

Enregistré par le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord le 27 avril 1959.

No. 4728. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATION OF MALAYA ABOUT THE REPRESENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATION OF MALAYA ON THE INTERNAL SECURITY COUNCIL TO BE ESTABLISHED UNDER PART VII OF THE SINGAPORE (CONSTITUTION) ORDER-IN-COUNCIL, 1958. KUALA LUMPUR, 8 NOVEMBER 1958

I

Letter from the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in the Federation of Malaya to the Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs of the Federation of Malaya

Kuala Lumpur, 8th November, 1958

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to discussions between our two Governments relating to the proposed establishment of a new Constitution for Singapore making provision *inter alia* for an Internal Security Council.

2. I should be grateful if you would confirm the understanding of my Government that the Government of the Federation of Malaya will upon the day appointed for the constitution to come into operation appoint a Minister of the Federation to be a member of the Internal Security Council, that they will also appoint an alternate to that member on any occasion when that member is unable to attend the meetings of the Council and that that member or his alternate will regularly attend meetings of the Internal Security Council and will participate fully in its work : it being recognised that that member or his alternate may before a vote is called if he so wishes be given a reasonable opportunity in which to seek instructions from his Government.

3. I should be glad of your confirmation that should the Federation Government at any time intend to withdraw their representative from the Council they will give a reasonable period of notice of their intention to the United Kingdom and Singapore Governments.

¹ Came into force on 8 November 1958 by the exchange of the said letters.

4. I confirm that the Minister of the Federation Government who is appointed a member of the Internal Security Council will have access to all information relating to internal Security which may be made available under the Constitution by the Government of Singapore to the Government of the United Kingdom.

5. I confirm that this understanding between our two Governments has the concurrence of the members of the Singapore All-Party Delegation to the Constitutional Conference in March and April, 1957.

6. I should be grateful if you would confirm that this letter correctly states the understanding between our two Governments and suggest that this letter and your reply should be regarded as placing that understanding on record.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

(Signed) G. W. TORY

II

Letter from the Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs of the Federation of Malaya to the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in the Federation of Malaya

8th November, 1958

Sir,

I refer to your letter of today's date the terms of which are as follows :

[See letter I]

In reply I confirm that your letter correctly states the understanding between our two Governments and agree that your letter and this reply shall be regarded as placing that understanding on record.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) Tunku Abdul Rahman PUTRA
Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs