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1. LIM Giok Keng has left Batavia for Singapore at the request of LIM Aun Poon. 25X1A LIM Aun Poon secretly departed from Singapore for Bangkok. [redacted] Comment. For other reports on the activities of LIM Aun Poon [redacted] 25X1A

2. LIM Giok Keng smuggles pepper, rubber, rattan, and other products from Southern Sumatra to Singapore for delivery to Clychin, Soviet Trade Commissioner in Singapore, who forwards these items to Vladivostock by Soviet ships. LIM Giok Keng smuggles arms, ammunition, textiles, machinery, etc. from Singapore to various places in southern Sumatra.

3. LIM Aun Poon has been in charge of the opium, heroine and morphine smuggling from Java (Toeban, Lasem, Koedoes) to Singapore. He now handles the smuggling from Java to Bangkok. The Foe Thoeng Company of Batavia and TAN Hin Hie, trading as Ban Goan Company in Batavia, are also involved.

4. The proprietor of the Foe Thoeng Company escaped to Hongkong. His manager has been held by the police. TAN Hin Hie is protected by THIO Thiam Tjong, advisor to Dr. van Mook, and by LOA Sek Hie, a friend of THIO Thiam Tjong.

5. LIM Aun Poon is "represented" in the Partai Komunis Indonesia by TAN Ling Djie, who is one of the big four in the Politburo. He is trusted by Sjarifoedin.

6. The organization of TAN Ling Djie, TAN Hin Hie and LIM Aun Poon was formed in the early part of 1946 in Batavia. A Singapore-born Chinese, LIM Seng Hooi, manager of the Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation, made the necessary advances for the enterprise.

7. In December 1945, TAN Ling Djie, as a representative of the Pesindo in the Komite Nasional Indonesia Poesat, left Batavia for Poerworedjo. In June 1946 LIM Aun Poon went to Singapore, having secured the necessary pass by bribing the police through EWYONG Fah Sen. When he heard about the recent opium scandal in the Indonesian Republic, he fled to Bangkok, arriving there the end of August. LIM Seng Hooi had escaped earlier by a small boat from Passar Ikan, which was not guarded by the Customs.

8. From January to November 1946, the Indian troops under the British sold their Sten and Bren guns to members of this organization in Singapore, Penang and Kuala Lumpur.

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