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1. The local-born Chinese on Bangka have set up a Persatuan Tionghoa. This organization advocates the separation of local-born Chinese from Chinese born in China. Its headquarters is at Pangkalpinang. Comment. [REDACTED] reported the central council of the Persatuan Tionghoa (Chinese Federalist Union) was located in Batavia and presided over by THIO Thiam Tjong. It noted also the formation of a branch of this organization in Soerabaya on 15 September 1948. For the location of other branches see [REDACTED]

2. This organization has a membership of over 5,000. Its council includes TJOENG Teng Jan as Chairman and HIE Djoen Fong as Secretary.

3. A branch of this organization has been set up at Belinjoe with a membership of about 1,000. Chairman of its council is LIE Njan Kiat and the Deputy Chairman and Acting Secretary is Dr. CHEN Kong Sien.

4. The Chinese tin miners have their own trade union called the Serikat Kaum Buruh (Labor League) with a membership of about 5,000, who are both Chinese and Indonesians. The Chairman of the Serikat Kaum Buruh is YAP Joen Tjauw. Its headquarters is at Soengalliat.

5. The influence of the Sentral Organisatie Buruh Seluruh Indonesia (SOBSI), introduced into Bangka by Yamur, Chairman of the Batavia branch, and LIE Kian Kim of the Sin Min Lao Kung Hui in 1946, has almost disappeared. Abdul Rahman, a former SOBSI member, now supports the Serikat Kaum Buruh. Rahman is now a democratic socialist who is combating Communism.

6. The Kuomintang has no adherents in Bangka.

7. There is a Chinese Catholic church with a Chinese priest located at Soengalliat.

8. For defense Bangka has only one infantry company of the RHIA and four sections of civil police, in all about 250 men.

25X1X6 Comment. Any infiltration of Chinese Communists from Singapore or Bangkok may imperil the entire political structure on Bangka.)

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