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1. A special number of Indonesia Merdeka, published by Perhimpunan Indonesia, in Amsterdam, and addressed to the Singapore Federation of Trade Unions (SFTU), has been confiscated by the Singapore police. Printed in Romanized Malay, the magazine included the following:

- a) An article by LIM Hong Bee *, described as a Malayan Youth Delegate. The article was contributed on behalf of the Malayan New Democratic Youth League and is addressed to "Democratic Youth in Colonial and Imperial Countries who are struggling against exploitation." It eulogizes the USSR and its satellites, including the German Democratic Republic and the Chinese Communist Government.
- b) Another article, unsigned, condemns the constitution of the Republik Indonesia Serikat, asserting that the Hague Round Table Conference was influenced by the US. It states also that Indonesia is a colony of the US and the Netherlands and that Indonesia's vice president and prime minister, Mohammed Hatta, is an agent of foreign powers.
- c) An article on the Peiping conference of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) speaks of Veerasenan ** and S.A. Ganapathy ** as victims of imperialist terrorism in Malaya.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] for a recent report on the propaganda activity of LIM Hong Bee, publisher of the Malayan Monitor in London, and Malayan Committee member of the British Communist Party.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. Veerasenan, former president of the SFTU and leader in the Pan-Malayan Federation of Trade Unions (PMFTU), was killed by the Security Forces in an up-country raid in the spring of 1949. S.A. Ganapathy, Tamil-speaking south Indian and former president of the PMFTU, was executed in early May 1949 by the British, after arrest and sentence under the Emergency Regulations.

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