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FORM FOR REPORTS ON ILLICIT TRANSACTIONS AND SEIZURES

SECTION I

1. Date of seizure:_____ 2. Place of seizure:_____
3. Kind and quantity of narcotics seized:_____
4. Details regarding ships, vehicles, and/or aircraft involved: (include name, owner, itinerary, nationality, etc.)_____
5. Details regarding persons and/or firms involved: (include name, nationality, place of residence, age, occupation, etc.)_____
6. Origin of narcotics seized: (include all available information and reasonable suspicions which might throw light on the origin, sale and purchase, particularly in connection with information furnished under (4) and (5) above)_____

SECTION II

- 7.^{1/} Judicial proceedings: (please refer to legal basis and indicate the sentence, including place and date of its pronouncement)

SECTION III

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^{1/} This information may be sent subsequently after the proceedings have been concluded.

PART I - NEW CASES

A. ILLICIT LABORATORIES^{2/}

(a) FRANCE

No. 670 Discovery of an illicit laboratory at St-Maur on 9 October 1955.
Report communicated by the Government of France on 29 October
1955. (5259)^{3/}

1(a). Equipment (weighing approximately 1 ton) for the manufacture
of diacetylmorphine.

2. August Marius Raymond Salgues,^{4/} who on 3 March 1953 had been
sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment, a fine of frs. 250,000 (\$715)^{5/} and loss
of rights for five years under article 42 of the penal code for similar violations
against the narcotics regulations, had been kept under constant surveillance
after his release from prison. Although he took elaborate precautions to cover
his movements, the police, who strongly suspected that Salgues had resumed his
former activities, were finally able to discover the illicit laboratory where he
operated. The rooms were in a small house at 61, Avenue Barbès, St-Maur,
occupied by René Jean-Joseph Gaston.

Salgues stated at first that he had not commenced manufacturing, although
it had been his intention to do so, but later on he admitted that he had
started the clandestine production of diacetylmorphine after he came out of
prison.

Adolphe Jouve, an engineering chemist and pharmacist, who was also arrested,
told the police that he had given Balgues technical advice and had helped him to
obtain the chemical products necessary for the manufacture of diacetylmorphine.

2/ As far as possible, the information available on each case is presented as
follows:

1. Kind and quantity of drugs

- (a) seized; and
- (b) involved in the illicit transaction.

2. Data regarding the seizure; origin of the drugs; name and address of the
manufacturer; labels, marks, packing, etc.; name of consignor, consignee
or other persons or firms whose names appear in connexion with the case.

3. Legal proceedings and penalties.

3/ The numbers appearing in brackets following the title of each case refer to
the Secretariat's registration list of seizure reports.

4/ See E/NS.1952/Summary 3, case 261, and E/NS.1955/Summary 6, case 310.

5/ The amounts shown in brackets throughout this document are in terms of
United States currency.

B. SEIZURES

1. Raw Opium

(a) FEDERATION OF MALAYA

No. 671 Seizures during September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 21 November 1955. (5285)

This report gives sixteen seizures, seven of which involve raw opium totalling:

19.0724 kg

A. Seizure at Penang on 4 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: 10.2816 kg

2. The drug was found on board the steamship Sirdhana.

B. Seizure at Kuala Lumpur on 6 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: 3.402 kg
(Prepared opium: 9.072 kg)

2. For further details, see Case No. 697 B

C. Seizure at Muar on 7 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: 415.8 g
(Prepared opium: 0.4 g)

3. Ho Hup Heng was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$1,500 (\$495) or, in default, to imprisonment for eight months, on the charge of possession of raw opium; for the possession of prepared opium he was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$40 (\$13.20) or, in default, to imprisonment for two weeks. Both fines were paid.

D. Seizure at Port Swettenham on 11 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: 437 g

3. Laung Hin of the steamship Tjibadak was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six months.

E. Seizure at Taiping on 19 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: 4.536 kg

2. Boey Eng Fong and Lim Kim Hiock were arrested.

F. Seizure at Teluk Anson on 19 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: quantity not indicated

2. Ng Khoon was involved in this seizure.

G. Seizure at Teluk Anson on 26 September 1955.

1(a). Raw opium: quantity not indicated

3. Lan Leong Tuck was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$500 (\$165) or, in default, to imprisonment for six months.

(b) INDIA

No. 672 Seizure at Biswanathghat, District Darrang, Assam, on 23 September 1955.

Report communicated by the Government of India. (5301)

1(a). Raw opium: 18.660 kg

2. The opium, of domestic origin and valued at approximately Rs.20,000 (\$4,200), was found in a motor launch owned by Hira Lal Sohani, who was arrested together with Golap Root Kuruni and Bihari Koal.

No. 673 Seizure at Bombay on 27 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5303)

1(a). Raw opium: 6.770 kg

2. The opium, valued at approximately Rs.3,000 (\$630), was found on the British steamship Olinda (Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.) arriving from Middle East ports via Karachi. It was suspected that the drug was destined for East Asian ports.

No. 674 Seizure at Calcutta on 10 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5294)

1(a). Raw opium: 6.740 kg
(Chandu: 81.6 g)

2. The drugs were found during a rummage of the steamship Chong Ya (Sino-Burma Shipping Co. Ltd., Rangoon). It was suspected that the opium, of which ten cakes and some of the tapes bore markings resembling those found in the opium issued by the Government Opium Factory at Ghazipur, was destined for Singapore, and that either it was illegally manufactured somewhere in India in such a way as to resemble Government opium, or else that it was Government Excise opium issued to licensed vendors which had been smuggled for export purposes.

No. 675 Seizure at Calcutta on 4 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5296)

1(a). Raw opium: 157.930 kg

2. The above-mentioned opium, valued at approximately Rs.80,000 (\$16,800), was found during a rummage of the Panamanian steamship Eastern Venture^{6/}, three Chinese crewmembers, Wong Kar, Chaw Hing and Kwok Tung Shing, being arrested. The drug was in the form of cakes, some of which and the wrapping tapes were noticed to have markings resembling those found in the opium issued from the Government Opium Factory at Ghazipur. It was suspected that either the opium was illegally manufactured somewhere in India in such a way as to resemble Government opium or that Government opium, issued to licensed vendors, had been smuggled for export purposes, probably being destined for Singapore.

3. Wong Kar was fined Rs.2,000 (\$420), while the other two accused were each fined Rs.1,000 (\$210).

No. 676 Seizure at Calcutta on 13 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5297)

1(a). Raw opium: 47.590 kg

2. The opium, of unknown origin, was found by Customs officials after three persons arrived at the docks by taxi and proceeded towards the British steamship Chakrata (British India Steam Navigation Co.); on being challenged, they dropped the bags they were carrying and fled. It was suspected that the opium was destined for either Singapore or Australia.

No. 677 Seizure at Dakshineswar, West Bengal, on 26 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5295)

1(a). Raw opium: 12.480 kg

2. The opium, of domestic origin and valued approximately at Rs.9,500 (\$1,995), was found in the possession of Md. Nazir and Ramji Lal Upadhyaya, when they arrived by the Delhi-Howrah down-train.

^{6/} In a recent report from Singapore (see E/NS.1955/Summary 9, Case 549), a ship of identical name was stated as being of British registry, owners, Newland Steamship Co. Ltd. The Secretariat has asked the Government of India for clarification of this point.

No. 678 Seizure at Delhi on 25 May 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5292)

1(a). Raw opium: 36.390 kg

2. The opium, of domestic origin, was found on the premises of Chhajoo. It was valued at approximately Rs.12,500 (\$2,625). Seven persons, including one Des Raj (see Case No. 679) were stated to be involved in this seizure, Himat Singh, Kapur Singh, Harnam Singh, Faqir Chand, Madan Lal and Sham Lal.

No. 679 Seizure at Delhi on 25 May 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5293)

1(a). Raw opium: 20.760 kg

2. This opium, of domestic origin and valued at approximately Rs.7,000 (\$1,470), was found on the premises of Des Raj who, together with six other persons, was involved in another seizure on the same day. (See Case No. 67)

No. 680 Seizure at South Quay, Madras Harbour, on 23 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5298)

1(a). Opium: 4.290 kg

2. The opium, valued at Rs.2,280 (\$478.80), was found in the false bottom of a suitcase belonging to P.G. Rajamanickam, a passenger on the Indian steamship State of Madras. It was suspected that the drug was destined for Singapore.

No. 681 Seizure at Samelia Hera Village, District Mandsaur (Madhya Bharat), on 27 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5302)

1(a). Raw opium: 20.530 kg

2. The opium, of domestic origin, was seized from Duli Chand Kulmi, Bagdi Ram and Balu Ram, following a bogus purchase arranged by agents of the Narcotics Department.

(c) PAKISTAN

No. 682 Seizures in April 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Pakistan on 8 November 1955. (5282)

This report gives three seizures, two of which involve opium totalling:

174.9 g

A. Seizure at Mastung Railway Station on 21 April 1955.

1(a). Opium: 58.3 g

2. This drug, of Iranian origin, was found by an Excise inspector while checking the Zahidan train. The passengers in the compartment denied ownership.

B. Seizure at Quetta Railway station on 21 April 1955.

1(a). Opium: 116.6 g

2. Excise inspectors found a cloth package containing the above-mentioned opium of Iranian origin hidden under the ceiling of one of the compartments of the Zahidan train. Ownership could not be established.

(d) SARAWAK

No. 683 Seizure at Kuching on 5 October 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5261)

1(a). Opium: 21.470 kg

2. The contraband, of Thai origin, was found in the bilge pump in the engine room of the motor vessel Bidor (Straits Steamship Co. Ltd.) coming from Bangkok. The packages bore "Eagle" and "Globe" markings. Although it appeared that most of the engine room staff were involved, no arrest was possible.

(e) SAUDI ARABIA

No. 684 Seizures in 1954. Information contained in the Annual Report for 1954 of the Government of Saudi Arabia. (5283)

This report gives fourteen seizures, six of which involve opium totalling:

1.9593 kg
70 sticks and 1 slab

A. 1(a). Opium: 7.1 g

3. Yousuf Mohammad Miroo was sentenced to hard labour for three months.

B. 1(a). Opium: 70 sticks

3. Maymood Shata Al-Farran was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for two years.

- C. 1(a). Opium: 1 slab
3. Hussain Abdullah Shalabi was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six months.
- D. 1(a). Opium: 907.2 g
2. Saad Abu Saquil was arrested.
- E. 1(a). Opium: 1 kg
3. Abdul Rahman Al-Hassawi was arrested and sentenced.
- F. 1(a). Opium: 45 g
(Indian hemp: 20 g)
3. Abdullah Saeed Ali-Shahrani and Saheb Shammās, the latter an Iraqi national, were each sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for one year, Shammās being deported at the end of his sentence.
(No details were given as to place or date of the seizures).

(f) SINGAPORE

- No. 685 Seizure at Singapore on 23 July 1955. Report No. 1724 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5264)
1(a). Raw opium: 7.2575 kg (Morphine content 10.9%)
2. The opium, of unknown origin, was found in a storeroom in Holland Road. The only person present was a female Chinese, Peh Han, but some time later Heng Whee Kean, 43-year-old Chinese seaman, claimed ownership. Both were arrested and charged.
- No. 686 Seizure at Singapore on 5 August 1955. Report No. 1727 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5267).
1(a). Raw opium: 2.3814 kg (Morphine content: 7.8%)
2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the bathroom of a house on Queen Street. Ownership could not be established.
- No. 687 Seizure at Singapore on 13 August 1955. Report No. 1728 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5268)
1(a). Raw opium: 29.030 kg (Morphine content: 7.8%)
2. The drug, believed to be of Yunnanese origin, was found on the Norwegian steamship Dukat (A/S Arne Sveen Rederi, Oslo) coming from Bangkok. The vessel plied between Bangkok and Singapore.

No. 688 Seizure at Singapore on 31 August 1955. Report No. 1730 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5270)

1(a). Raw opium: 4.0823 kg (Morphine content: 6.8%)

2. The drug, of Iranian origin, in "stick" form, was found in a cabin on the Norwegian motor vessel Hoegh Silvercrest (Hoegh Lief & Co., Oslo) on her arrival from Singapore. The usual ports of call were Abadan, Cochin, Colombo, Penang, Port Swettenham, Singapore, Philippine ports and Los Angeles. The ship's carpenter, Lee Yew Siang, a 27-year-old Chinese, was suspected, as were other unidentified crew members.

No. 689 Seizure at Singapore on 1 September 1955. Report No. 1731 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5271)

1(a). Raw opium: 47.1736 kg (Morphine content: 7.5%)

2. The drug, of Iranian origin, was found in the shop of Say Chok Siew, provision merchant.

No. 690 Seizure at Singapore on 3 September 1955. Report No. 1732 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5272)

1(a). Raw opium: 2.6082 kg (Morphine content: 4.7%)

2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the crew's quarters on the Chinese steamship La Paz (Chip Hwa Shipping Co., Ltd., Singapore) following her arrival from Rangoon and Penang. The vessel plied between Rangoon, Penang and Singapore and the drug was believed to have been placed on board in Rangoon.

No. 691 Seizure at Singapore on 7 September 1955. Report No. 1733 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5273)

1(a). Raw opium: 114.3053 kg (Morphine content: 7%)

2. The drug, in slab form, was found in a cavity in the crew's cabin on the Chinese vessel No. 1106 (Owner: Lim Kim Heng, Singapore) coming from Pulau Sambo, Indonesia. The boat plied between Indonesian ports and Singapore. Goh Kim Chwee, 49-year-old Chinese seaman, was arrested.

3. On 7 October 1955, the accused was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and to a fine of Straits \$5,000 (\$1,650) or, in default, to an additional year. The fine was not paid.

No. 692 Seizure at Singapore on 16 September 1955. Report No. 1734 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5274)

1(a). Raw opium: 2.1546 kg (Morphine content: 10.7%)

2. The drug, believed to be of Indian origin, was found hidden in an arm of the steering gear engine on the British steamship Ordia (British India Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.) on her arrival from Indian ports. Crew members were suspected but ownership could not be established. The vessel plied between Karachi, Bombay, Cochin, Singapore, Hongkong and Japan.

(g) TURKEY

No. 693 Seizure at Gaziantep on 14 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Turkey on 5 September 1955. (5220)

1(a). Raw opium: 9 kg

2. The opium, of unknown origin, was seized from Ahmet Birisik.

No. 694 Seizure at Gaziantep on 20 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Turkey on 5 September 1955. (5219)

1(a). Raw opium: 4.870 kg

2. The opium, of unknown origin, was found in a basket in the gardens near police headquarters. Demir Kahraman was arrested.

No. 695 Seizure near Kilis on 7 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Turkey on 5 September 1955. (5218)

1(a). Raw opium: 61 kg

2. The above-mentioned opium of domestic origin was seized following a fight on the banks of the Afrin River with a smuggler named Arif Yilmaz, who was killed.

(h) UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 696 Seizure at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 11 October 1955. Report No. 1431 communicated by the Government of the United States of America on 8 November 1955. (5281)

1(a). Crude opium: 2.070 kg

2. Ekrem Ismail Hunduroglu, steward on the Turkish steamship Manisa (Lavino Shipping Company) coming from Mudanya, Turkey, was arrested after he had sold approximately 1.4 kg of crude opium to an undercover agent. Following this, a further amount of the drug was found hidden in a spare propeller case. The opium was of Turkish origin.

2. Prepared Opium

(a) FEDERATION OF MALAYA

No. 697 Seizures during September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 21 November 1955. (5285)

This report gives sixteen seizures, six of which involve prepared opium totalling:

9.2522 kg

A. Seizure at Kemaman on 1 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 15.9 g

3. Chan Chee Weng was fined Malay \$100 (\$33).

B. Seizure at Kuala Lumpur on 6 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 9.072 kg
(Raw opium: 3.402 kg)

3. Low Ngor was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$3000 (\$900) or, in default, to imprisonment for fifteen months on each of two charges. Low Thien Kay was acquitted.

C. Seizure at Muar on 7 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 0.4 g
(Raw opium: 415.8 g)

2. For further details, see case No. 671C

D. Seizure at Butterworth on 24 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 15.1 g

3. Lim Ah Ohye was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$100 (\$33) or, in default, to imprisonment for ten days. The fine was paid.

E. Seizure at Johore Bahru on 25 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 35.4 g

2. The drug was found on the train arriving from Singapore, an unemployed woman named Kang Seng Kim being arrested.

3. The accused was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$250 (\$82.50) or, in default, to imprisonment for three months.

F. Seizure at Hutau Melintan on 28 September 1955.

1(a). Prepared opium: 113.4 g

3. Tan Chuan Tong was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$80 (\$26.40) or, in default, to imprisonment for one month.

(b) INDIA

No. 674a Seizure at Calcutta on 10 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5294)

1(a). Chandu: 81.6 g
(Raw opium: 6.740 kg)

2. For further details, see Case No. 674.

(c) SARAWAK

No. 698 Seizure at Bukit Lima, Sibn, on 21 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5260)

1(a). Prepared opium: 11.510 kg

2. The drug was found tied to the thighs and legs of five Chinese crew members of the motor vessel Bidor (Straits Steamship Co. Ltd.) coming from Bangkok; Wong Hoon Koon, Chiang Seng Chow, Teah Ooi Sow, Chang Seng Wong and Phua Ching Hong. The last named, the captain's boy, had tried to bribe the customs officer. It was suspected that the drug had been shipped from Bangkok.

3. The accused were each sentenced to imprisonment for eighteen months and to a fine of Straits \$2,000 (\$660) or, in default, to an additional six months.

3. Morphine

None reported.

4. Diacetylmorphine

(a) HONG KONG

No. 699 Seizure at Hong Kong on 6 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5286)

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 630 g

2. Thomas Gorgonio Villa, a Philippine citizen, was arrested at Kai Tak Airport when the above-mentioned drug was found hidden in his clothing. Villa, who was about to emplane for Korea, admitted having come to Hong Kong from Korea for the express purpose of purchasing diacetylmorphine there for sale in Korea.

3. The accused was sentenced to imprisonment for eight months.

No. 700 Seizure at Hong Kong on 8 July 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5287)

- 1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 260,000 pills (approx.)
6.830 kg of diacetylmorphine pill mixture

2. The above pills and pill mixture were found in a rear cubicle following a police raid; a quantity of paraphernalia and chemicals used in making the pills was also seized. Kwan Ho, in whose possession the key of the cubicle was found, was arrested.

3. The accused was sentenced to hard labour for five years.

No. 701 Seizure at Hong Kong on 16 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5288)

- 1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 12 g and 22,200 pills

2. The above-mentioned drugs, as well as chemicals and a pill-making machine were found following a police raid; the pills were in sieves placed over a charcoal fire and were undergoing a drying process. Chan Man and Mui Wah Chung were arrested.

3. On 12 September 1955, the accused were each sentenced to hard labour for five years.

No. 702 Seizure at Hong Kong on 27 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5289)

- 1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 106 g

2. When Li San Ki and Cheung Siu Ting were arrested, 85 g of diacetylmorphine were found in Cheung's possession. The wrappings of the drug bore the stamped impression "Tin Kung" (Heavenly Father) and a small figure of a devil. A further 28 were found in Cheung's home, when his wife, Cheung Lan Ying was arrested. Cheung Siu Ting admitted to acting as a "carrier", stating that he had been employed by a man who, however, could not be traced, but the police believe that he was working for Li San Ki. This man, who had been deported once before, had been under observation following the arrest of a small boy possessing some diacetylmorphine and a letter written by Li referring to the purchase of the drug from Macau.

3. Li San Ki was re-deported; Cheung Siu Ting and his wife were each sentenced to a fine of HK\$5,000 (\$875) or, in default, to imprisonment for three months, Cheung himself being, in addition, given a term of three months' imprisonment.

No. 703 Seizure at Hong Kong on 4 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5290)

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 169 g

2. The drug was found in the home of Cheung Chun who admitted having purchased it for his own consumption.

3. The accused was sentenced to a fine of HK\$2,000 (\$350) or, in default, to imprisonment for nine months.

No. 704 Seizures at Kowloon on 25 May 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 23 November 1955. (5291)

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 1.835 kg

2. Cheung Chung Li alias Cheung Ka Fat and Chu Sau Cheung were arrested following the discovery of diacetylmorphine on their premises, after police, posing as narcotic dealers, had been negotiating a "sale" with Cheung Chung Li.

3. Cheung Chung Li was sentenced to hard labour for five years on each of two counts, of possession and of dealing, while Chu Sau Cheung was sentenced to hard labour for three years on a charge of possession.

(b) UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 705 Seizures in California in 1955. Report No. 1430 communicated by the Government of the United States of America on 8 November 1955. (5280)

This report gives two seizures involving diacetylmorphine totalling:
39.7 g

A. Seizure at Calexico, California, on 31 August 1955.

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 22 g

2. The drug was seized from Hector Espinosa Gomez when he attempted to enter the United States from Mexico.

B. Seizure at San Ysidro, California, on 24 September 1955.

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 17.7 g

2. Colleen Zschomler, aged 18, Gary Zschomler, and Rulon D. Raleigh were arrested when they entered the United States from Mexico, the above-mentioned drug being seized.

No. 706 Seizure at San Antonio, Texas, on 10 May 1955. Report No. 1428 communicated by the Government of the United States of America on 8 November 1955. (5278)

1(a). Diacetylmorphine: 40 g

2. Jose Trevino Valdez, a nephew of the well-known Trevino brothers of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, was arrested for the possession of the drug which he obtained from an unknown person who entered the United States from Mexico.

5. Cocaine

(a) INDIA

No. 707 Seizure at Jullundur City on 27 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5304)

1(a). Cocaine hydrochloride: 106.3 g

2. Information having been received that Yashpal of New Delhi had come to the city to purchase cocaine illegally, a watch was kept on his movements. Finally, when he arrived at the railway station he was searched, the drug, in 30 phials, being found in his possession. A chemist of Jullundur City was suspected of being the source of the supply; Messrs. Medicine Traders and Bharat Medical Hall, Jullundur City, were also implicated in the affair.

3. On 8 October 1955, the accused was sentenced to a fine of Rs. 3,000 (\$630) and bound over for a period of three years.

6. Cannabis

(a) EGYPT

No. 708 Seizure at Kantara on 3 April 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Egypt on 10 October 1955. (5258)

1(a). Hashish: 1.289 kg

2. The drug was found bound round the leg of Husni Mahmoud Mishref when he attempted to pass through the customs gate on his way to cross the Suez Canal. The accused stated that Mohd. Mahmoud Darwish had asked him to meet Tewfiek Mohd. Abdou at Kantara East, where he was handed the seized contraband. The drug was suspected to be of Israeli or Lebanese origin.

3. On 6 June 1955, Husni Mahmoud Mishref was sentenced to imprisonment for ten years and to a fine of LE.3000 (\$8,616). The other two men were acquitted by default owing to lack of evidence.

(b) FEDERATION OF MALAYA

No. 709 Seizures during September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 21 November 1955. (5285)

This report gives sixteen seizures, five of which involve cannabis as follows:

Indian hemp: 50.1984 kg

Ganja: 36.3 g

A. Seizure at Penang on 2 September 1955.

1(a). Indian hemp: 5.4432 kg

2. The drug was found on board the motor vessel Nukaha.

B. Seizure at Butterworth on 8 September 1955.

1(a). Ganja: 36.3 g

3. Md. Ali b. Mydin was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$100 (\$33) or, in default, to imprisonment for ten days.

C. Seizure at Penang on 26 September 1955.

1(a). Indian hemp: 24.192 kg

3. Sinda Madar was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$1600 (\$528) or, in default, to imprisonment for four months. The fine was not paid.

D. Seizure at Penang on 30 September 1955.

1(a). Indian hemp: 11.4912 kg

2. V. Chinniah was arrested.

E. Seizure at Penang on 30 September 1955

1(a). Indian hemp: 9.072 kg

2. No details were available regarding this seizure.

(c) INDIA

No. 710 Seizure at Bombay on 14 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5300)

1(a). Charas: 3.630 kg

2. The drug was found in the false bottom of a trunk belonging to Syed Abdul Qudir, a Pakistani passenger on the Indian steamship Saraswati (Seindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd.). A packet of white powder, suspected to be cocaine, was also found in the trunk. The supplier was stated to be one Issak of Karachi.

No. 711 Seizure at Rangpur-Kandigram (Assam), on 29 September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5305)

1(a). Ganja: 130.640 kg

2. The ganja, of domestic origin, was found in the house of Mohendra Chandra Nath. His son, Birendra Nath, and his wife, Srimati Lakshya Devi, as well as Birendra Nath's brother-in-law, Rasharaj Nath, were all involved in the affair, but only Srimati Lakshya Devi was arrested, the others absconding.

No. 712 Seizure at Siswania Village (Bihar), on 31 August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of India. (5299)

1(a). Ganja: 97.980 kg

2. The ganja, of Nepali origin and valued at approximately Rs. 10,500 (\$2,205) was found in the house of Sheik Idris who was arrested together with his daughter Jhalia.

(d) MAURITIUS

No. 713 Seizures in August 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5262)

This report gives seven seizures involving cannabis totalling as follows:

Gandia: 35 grams

10 plants

A. Seizure at Port Louis on 1 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia: quantity not specified

3. Shivrall Gopal was fined Rs. 50 (\$10.50) for smoking gandia on 19 September 1955.

B. Seizure at Moka on 8 August 1955

1(a). Gandia leaves: 5 g

2. The dried gandia leaves were found on the person of Mamome Aniff Abdool Neewool.

C. Seizure at Vallée des Prêtres on 12 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia plants: 10

2. The plants were discovered on the land of Omerowe Oree alias Lutchmun.

D. Seizure at Ribiére Sèche on 19 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia leaves: 4 g

2. The leaves were found in the possession of Baboo Sankur, an Indian labourer.

E. Seizure at Vallée des Prêtres on 23 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia seeds: 20 g

2. A bottle containing the above gandia seeds was found hidden among banana trees in the yard of the widow Hurry Manton alias Abanah.

F. Seizure at Terre Rouge on 23 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia: 1 g

2. The gandia was found in the possession of Bhagwandass Mahabal.

G. Seizure at Port Louis on 31 August 1955.

1(a). Gandia leaves: 5 g

2. The leaves were found in the possession of Aniff Ramjan.

All the gandia in these cases was of local origin.

No. 714 Seizures in September 1955. Report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5263)

This report gives six seizures involving cannabis totalling as follows:

Gandia: 226 g

A. Seizure at Triolet on 3 September 1955.

1(a). Gandia: 200 g

2. Mohunparsad Parlaki and Aboo Bakar Fakeermamode were arrested in connexion with this seizure.

B. Seizure at Port Louis on 7 September 1955.

1(a). Gandia: 15 g

2. Jean Louis Anne was arrested.

C. Seizure at Champ de Mars on 10 September 1955.

1(a). Gandia: 1 g

2. Moussa Jhurry alias Moussa was arrested.

D. Seizure at Souillac on 14 September 1955.

1(a). Gandia leaves: 5 g

2. The dried gandia leaves were found on Seelochan Damree when he was searched at the hospital following his arrest.

E. Seizure at Place Verte on 18 September 1955.

1(a). Gandia: 5 g

3. Joseph Joomun was fined Rs. 50 (\$10.50) on 3 October 1955 for possession of the drug.

F. Seizure at Union Vale on 30 September 1955.

- 1(a). Gandia leaves: quantity not specified.
 2. Hurrycharan Rajaram alias Pingla was arrested.
- All the gandia seized was of local origin.

(e) PAKISTAN

No. 715 Seizure at Guilstan Railway station on 28 April 1955. Report communicated by the Government of Pakistan on 8 November 1955. (5282).

- 1(a). Charas: 466.4 g
2. An Excise inspector found the drug in a compartment on the Chaman train; none of the passengers in the compartment claimed ownership.

(f) SAUDI ARABIA

No. 716 Seizures in 1954. Information contained in the Annual Report of the Government of Saudi Arabia for 1954. (5283).

This report gives fourteen seizures, nine of which involve cannabis totalling as follows:

Indian hemp: 2.5619 kg

- A. 1(a). Indian hemp: 7.1 g
3. Jamil Mahmood Korunfully was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for three months.
- B. 1(a). Indian hemp: 7.1 g
3. Mohammad Al-Zubeiri, a Yemeni national, was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for three months and was then deported.
- C. 1(a). Indian hemp: 7.1 g
3. Mohammad Jamal Hindi Dahdah was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for three months.
- D. 1(a). Indian hemp: 500 g
3. Abdullah Soma was arrested and sentenced.
- E. 1(a). Indian hemp: 1 kg
2. Hamad Al-Issawi was arrested.
- F. 1(a). Indian hemp: 453.6 g
3. Salim bin Shayeh Al-Qahtani was arrested and sentenced.
- G. 1(a). Indian hemp: 2 slabs
3. Mohammad Saeed Al-Amodi was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for two years.
- H. 1(a). Indian hemp: 20 g
- (Opium: 45 g)
2. For further details, see Case No.

- I. 1(a). Indian hemp: 567 g
3. Qasim Al-Sobyani was arrested and sentenced.
No details as to place or date of the seizures were given.

(g) SINGAPORE

- No. 717 Seizure at Singapore on 24 July 1955. Report No. 1725 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5265)
1(a). Ganja: 1.3041 kg
2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in a small parcel lying against a pillar near the Pier Master's office.
No. 718 Seizure at Singapore on 28 July 1955. Report No. 1726 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5266)
1(a). Ganja: 283.5 g
2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the house of Akbar Khan, Indian breadseller.

3. On 20 September 1955, the accused was acquitted and discharged.
No. 719 Seizure at Singapore on 14 August 1955. Report No. 1729 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5269)
1(a). Ganja: 18.1437 kg
2. The drug, believed to have come from Indonesia, was found on the Chinese vessel Sin Soon Hin (owner: Madam Low Chiew Aik alias How Chew Aik, Singapore). The following Indian crewmembers were suspected but ownership could not be established: Ibrahim Yam, aged 36; Kader Gani, aged 28; Kah Mohamed Ali, aged 44, and Syed Ebramsha, aged 16. The vessel plied between Indonesian ports and Singapore.

(h) UNITED KINGDOM

- No. 720 Seizure at Liverpool on 24 September 1955. Report No. 401 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5277)
1(a). Cannabis sativa: 0.6 g
2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the possession of Anthony Adolph George Damons, 34-year-old South African fireman on the steamship Mount Stewart (Coast Lines Ltd., Liverpool), a coasting vessel. He had been arrested for disorderly behaviour, the drug being found when he was searched.
3. On 3 October 1955, Damons was sentenced to imprisonment for three months.

No. 721 Seizure at Liverpool on 4 October 1955. Report No. 399 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5275)

1(a). Cannabis sativa: 2.8 g

2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the possession of Mohamed Shafi, aged 35, Nabi Hossian, aged 45, and Abdul Jabbar, aged 38, all Indian crewmembers of the British motor vessel Derbyshire (Bibby Line Ltd.) coming from Rangoon, Colombo, Aden, Suez and Port Said.

3. On 13 October 1955, each of the accused was sentenced to imprisonment for two months.

No. 722 Seizure at Liverpool on 11 October 1955. Report No. 402 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 21 November 1955. (5284)

1(a). Cannabis sativa: 5.6 g

2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the possession of O'Neill Henville, 29-year-old British West Indian seaman from Barbados.

3. On 19 October 1955, Henville was fined £25 (\$64).

No. 723 Seizure at London on 30 September 1955. Report No. 400 communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5276)

1(a). Cannabis sativa: 16.8 g

2. The drug, of unknown origin, was found in the possession of Fabin Mendes and Newton Wallace, Jamaican seamen aged 21 and 19 respectively following a search of a club. At the time of their arrest the men were employed as painters by a building contractor.

3. On 6 October 1955, the accused were each sentenced to imprisonment for six months.

(i) UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 724 Seizure near Brownsville, Texas, on 23 May 1955. Report No. 1428 communicated by the Government of the United States of America on 8 November 1955. (5278)

1(a). Marihuana: 2.835 kg

2. Oscar Balli Garza and Teodoro Garza Garcia were arrested when they attempted to smuggle the marihuana into the United States from Mexico.

No. 725 Seizures in July and August 1955. Report No. 1429 communicated by the Government of the United States of America on 8 November 1955. (5279)
This report gives three seizures involving cannabis totalling as follows:

Marihuana: 38.3286 kg

A. Seizure at Brownsville, Texas, on 26 July 1955.

1(a). Marihuana: 27.2156 kg

2. The above-mentioned drug, which had evidently been smuggled into the United States from Mexico, was found by Customs agents. Ownership could not be established.

B. Seizure at Laredo, Texas, on 6 August 1955.

1(a). Marihuana: 7.4843 kg

2. Louis Pulos and Joe Hood were arrested when they entered the United States from Mexico. The drug was of Mexican origin.

C. Seizure at McAllen, Texas, on 9 August 1955.

1(a). Marihuana: 3.6287 kg

2. Hilario Blanco Rivera was arrested by Border Patrol officers who seized the above-mentioned drug which he had smuggled into the country from Mexico.

7. Synthetic drugs

None reported.

8. Miscellaneous

None reported.

PART II

FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING CASES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

(a) FEDERATION OF MALAYA

Supplementary reports communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955. (5065/Add.)

No. 441B (E/NS.1955/8) - Seizure at Johore Bahru on 7 June 1955.

2. The raw opium seized was suspected to be of Thai origin.

3. Low Foo Cheong was sentenced to imprisonment for 30 months and to a fine of Malay \$3,000 (\$990), or, in default, to a further six months. The fine was not paid. Sim Heap Sing was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and to a fine of Malay \$8,000 (\$2,640) or, in default, to an additional 15 months. The fine was not paid.

No. 441E (E/NS.1955/8) - Seizure at Butterworth on 21 June 1955.

3. Lim Khoo Soon was sentenced to a fine of Malay \$8,000 (\$2,640), or, in default, to imprisonment for eight months. The fine was not paid.

(b) INDIA

Supplementary reports communicated by the Government of India.

No. 543 (E/NS.1954/8) - Seizure at Jagannath Puri on 20 August 1954.

3. Bhawer Lal was acquitted for lack of evidence.

No. 549 (E/NS.1954/8) - Seizure near Nahan on 8 July 1954.

3. Dei Ram was acquitted on 31 March 1955.

No. 552 (E/NS.1954/8) - Seizure at Katlam on 27 May 1954.

3. On 25 June 1954, Hardevi alias Krishna Bai and Hukam Chand alias Hukmat Rai were each sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six months.

No. 313 (E/NS.1955/6) - Seizure at Bhadreswar on 16 November 1954.

3. On 16 May 1955, Ibrahim Kasham, Karam Ahmad, Aziz Ahmad and Basir Khan alias Ismail Khan were each sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for two years.

No. 584 (E/NS.1955/9) - Seizure at Attari on 26 June 1955.

3. On 20 September 1955, Shabir Ahmed was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six months.

(c) MAURITIUS

Supplementary reports communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955.

No. 409D (E/NS.1955/7) - Seizure at St. Pierre on 26 April 1955.

3. Reesal Balgobin was fined Rs.150 (\$31.50) on 26 September 1955.

No. 593G (E/NS.1955/9) - Seizure at Laventure on 25 May 1955.

3. On 12 September 1955, Ramjeet Ramratteem was fined Rs.200 (\$42).

No. 593J (E/NS.1955/9) - Seizure at Souillac on 28 May 1955.

3. Rea Faron and Ramlall Dalloo were each fined Rs.200 (\$42) on 10 August 1955.

No. 594C (E/NS.1955/9) - Seizure at Long Mountain on 18 June 1955.

3. On 6 September 1955, Lall Seelall was sentenced to hard labour for four weeks.

No. 655A (E/NS.1955/10) - Seizure at Port Louis on 26 July 1955.

3. On 12 September 1955, Jackdeo Callycharan was sentenced to hard labour for four weeks for cultivating gandia plants and to another six weeks for possession of the drug.

No. 655B (E/NS.1955/10 - Seizure at Port Louis on 30 July 1955.

3. On 9 September 1955, Gabriel Volcy alias Moustique was fined Rs.75 (\$15.75).

(d) SINGAPORE

Supplementary report communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom on 7 November 1955.

No. 240 (E/NS.1955/5) - Seizure at Singapore on 22 February 1955.

3. Lim Ban Poh was sentenced to a fine of Straits \$10,000 (\$3,300), or, in default, to imprisonment for one year. The fine was not paid.

No. 249 (E/NS.1955/5) - Seizure at Singapore on 23 March 1955.

3. Tan Ah Bee was sentenced to imprisonment for eighteen months; Tan Geok Boon was sentenced to a fine of Straits \$5,000 (\$1,650) or, in default, to imprisonment for two years. The fine was not paid.

No. 374 (E/NS.1955/7) - Seizure at Singapore on 13 April 1955.

3. Quek Hoon Kheng was sentenced to imprisonment for two years.

No. 377 (E/NS.1955/7) - Seizure at Singapore on 27 April 1955.

3. Tan Poh Chuan was sentenced to imprisonment for three years.

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| | 14 August 1955 | 24 |
| | 31 August 1955 | 13 |
| | 1 September 1955 | 13 |
| | 3 September 1955 | 13 |
| | 7 September 1955 | 13 |
| | 16 September 1955 | 14 |
| TURKEY | | |
| Gaziantep | 14 August 1955 | 14 |
| | 20 August 1955 | 14 |
| Kilis | 7 August 1955 | 14 |
| UNITED KINGDOM | | |
| Liverpool | 24 September 1955 | 24 |
| | 4 October 1955 | 25 |
| | 11 October 1955 | 25 |
| London | 30 September 1955 | 25 |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | | |
| Calexico, California | 31 August 1955 | 18 |
| San Ysidro, California | 24 September 1955 | 18 |
| Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 11 October 1955 | 14 |
| Brownsville, Texas | 23 May 1955 | 25 |
| | 26 July 1955 | 26 |
| Laredo, Texas | 6 August 1955 | 26 |
| McAllen, Texas | 9 August 1955 | 26 |
| San Antonio, Texas | 10 May 1955 | 19 |

III. LIST OF MERCHANT SHIPS IMPLICATED

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Nationality</u> | <u>Owner or charterer</u> | <u>Times previously reported</u> | <u>Page</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-------------|
| BIDOR | Not stated | Straits Steamship Co. Ltd. | 3 | 11, 16 |
| CHAKRATA | British | British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. | 3 | 9 |
| CHONG YA | Burmese | Sino-Burmese Shipping Co. Ltd. | 2 | 8 |
| DERBYSHIRE | British | The Bibby Line Ltd. | 9 | 25 |
| DUKAT | Norwegian | A/S Arne Sveen Rederi, Oslo | 1 | 12 |
| EASTERN VENTURE ^{7/} | Panamanian | Not stated | - | 9 |
| HOEGH SILVERCREST | Norwegian | Hoegh Lief & Co., Oslo | - | 13 |
| LA PAZ | Chinese | Chip Hwa Shipping Co. Ltd. Singapore | - | 13 |
| MANISA | Turkish | Lavino Shipping Co. | - | 14 |
| MOUNT STEWART | British | Coast Lines Ltd., Liverpool | - | 24 |
| NUKAHA | Not stated | Not stated | 1 | 20 |
| OLINDA | British | British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. | 2 | 8 |
| ORDIA | British | " " " | 4 | 14 |
| SARASWATI | Indian | Scindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. | 4 | 20 |
| SIN SOON HIN | Chinese | Madam Low Chiew Aik <u>alias</u> How Chew Aik, Singapore | - | 24 |
| SIRDHANA | British ^{8/} | British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. ^{8/} | 7 | 7 |
| STATE OF MADRAS | Indian | Not stated | - | 10 |
| TJIBADAK | Netherlands ^{8/} | Royal Java-China Navigation Co. Ltd. ^{8/} | 3 | 7 |

^{7/} See Case No. 675.

^{8/} According to the records of the Secretariat.