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I, Sinom bin Ladiman, Javanese make the following declaration regarding a murder at Kg. Foeli, Halmahera:

About 10 am, during November 1943, I saw the two men mentioned below brought by a Japanese doctor, rank Sochu, and a Japanese soldier, names unknown, to a place on the beach with their hands tied behind their backs. At this place a grave had been already prepared and on arrival one of the Victims named Sanoesi was ordered to sit at the edge of the grave and to bow his head down. The Japanese doctor then approached with a sword and struck Sanoesi behind the neck once, Sanoesi fell into the grave, dead. The other man named Sanali was then ordered to sit in a similar manner and he was also dispatched in the same way. A quarter of an hour later the coolies who witnessed this execution were ordered to fill in the grave.

The reason for the above killing was that the victims were alleged to have stolen Japanese food and clothing. All the coolies in the vicinity were rounded up and compelled to witness this execution, but I don't know the names of any of these other witnesses.

Hollandia, 10th April 1945.

I make this declaration and swear and sign before an Officer of N.I.O.

Sinom. (Sgd)

M.B. Bell. N. I. O. (Sgd)

Certificate:-

I, Raden Soewanto, hereby certify that I am thoroughly conversant with the Malayan and English languages, and as a result of the comparison between the Malayan and the English texts, I have established that this is a true and correct translation of International Prosecution Document No. 5527.

/s/ R. Soewanto

C E R T I F I C A T E

The undersigned CHARLES JONGENEEL, first Lieutenant R.N.I.A., head of the War Crimes Section of NETHERLANDS FORCES INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (NEFIS) being first duly sworn on oath deposes and states that the annexed reports are full, true, complete and accurate copies of the original documents entitled:

1. NEFIS reports of interrogation of HOESAIN bin ABDULLAH (No 1565) of SINOM bin LADIMAN (1816), and of MOHAMAD BIN KADIR (No 1822)
2. Sworn statements in Malay (with English translations) of the same informants, dated respectively Hollandia 19 March 1945, 10 April 1945 and 13 April 1945.

which documents are a part of the official records of the NEFIS.

SIGNATURE:

(/s/ Ch Jongeneel)
(S E A L)

BATAVIA, June 7th 1946

Subscribed and sworn to before me K. A. de WEERD, first Lieutenant R.N.I.A., Higher Official attached to the office of the Attorney General N.E.I.

/s/ K. A. de Weerd

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