

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO TREATIES.

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GRANT by Sultan of Brunei of Territories from the Sulaman River to the River Paitan. Dated 29th December, 1877.

(Translation)

I the Sultan Abdul Mumin Ebn Marhoum Maulana Abdul Wahab of Brunei do hereby grant to Gustavus Baron de Overbeck and Alfred Dent Esquire of London co-jointly their heirs associates successors or assigns all the territories belonging to me from the Sulaman River on the north-west coast of Borneo unto the River Paitan on the north-east coast of the island containing twenty-one states together with the island of Banguay and all the other islands within three marine leagues of the coast for their own exclusive uses and purposes.

In consideration of this grant the said Baron de Overbeck and Alfred Dent promise to pay severally and co-jointly to the said Sultan Abdul Mumin his heirs or successors the sum of six thousand dollars per annum. The said territories are from this date declared vested in the said Baron de Overbeck and Alfred Dent their heirs associates successors or assigns for so long as they shall choose to hold them. Provided however that His Highness the Sultan shall have the right to resume the control and government of the said territories if the above-mentioned annual compensation shall not have been paid for three successive years.

Done at the Palace at Brunei this 29th day of December, A.D. 1877.