

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO TREATIES.

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GRANT by the Sultan of Brunei of Territories from the Paitan to Sibuco River. 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 their heirs associates successors or assigns all the following territories belonging to the Kingdom of Brunei and comprising the States of Paitan, Sugut, Bangaya, Labuk, Sandakan, Kina Batangan, Mumiang, and all the territories as far as the Sibuco River with all the islands within three leagues of the coast belonging thereto for their own exclusive and absolute uses and purposes.

In consideration of this grant the said Baron de Overbeck and Alfred Dent Esquire promise to pay co-jointly and severally as compensation the sum of two thousand dollars per annum.

From this date the said territories declared vested in the said Baron de Overbeck and Alfred Dent Esquire their heirs associates successors and assigns for so long as they shall choose or desire 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.