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Memorandum of the Government of India, Foreign and Political Department, No. 1263-G., dated Simla, the 12th August 1918.

It has recently come to the notice of the Government of India that a Muhammadan whose record was not above suspicion was granted a passport by the Local Government to proceed to Singapore. Owing to his behaviour there, his request for further passport to Siam was refused and he and his companion have returned to India.

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Confidential letter from the Government of India in the Home Department No. 4794-4805, dated the 3rd/7th December 1915.

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