APPENDIX I

Government Of India, Foreign Department

Notification No. 1862 E

The 18th September 1891

SANAD

The Governor General-in-Council has been pleased to select you, Churachand Singh, son of Chaobi Yaima, to be the Chief of Manipur State; and you are hereby granted the title of Raja of Manipur, and a salute of eleven guns.

The Chiefship of Manipur State and the title and salute will be hereditary in your family; and will descend in the direct line by primogeniture, provided that in each case the succession is approved by the Government of India.

An annual tribute, the amount of which will be determined hereafter, will be paid by you and your successors to the British Government.

Further you are informed that the permanence of the grant conveyed by this Sanad will depend upon the ready fulfilment by you and your successors of all orders given by the British Government with regard to the administration of your territories, the control of the hill tribes dependent upon Manipur, the composition of the armed forces of this state, and any other matters in which the British Government may be pleased to intervene. Be assured that so long your house is loyal
to the Crown and faithful to the conditions of this Sanad you and your successors will enjoy the favour and protection of the British Government.

H.M. Durand
Secretary to the Government of India.

APPENDIX II

CONFIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS

(a) That neither the Rules of Administration nor the Courts' Act shall be deemed to alter the present constitutional position of the tribes vis-a-vis the Darbar and that the present Rules for Hill Administration shall continue till a new State Constitution is framed and introduced.

(b) That until further notice the term His Highness as used in the State Administration Rules shall mean H.H. the Maharaja except in Rule No. 2 where it should be deemed to mean H.H. the Maharaja with the previous approval of H.E. the Agent to the Crown Representative.

(c) That the appointment of the Ministers of the Executive Council and the allocation of portfolios, together with the suspension, reduction, dismissal or any alteration in the terms of appointment of the Ministers or the grant of leave to Ministers shall be made by His Highness on the advice of his Chief Minister. Further that the appointment
of the Chief Minister shall be made on the advice of H.E. the Agent to the Crown Representative.

(d) That the appointment of the Chief Judge should be made on the advice of the Agent to the Crown Representative.

(e) That all mercy petitions of condemned prisoners should be submitted to the Agent to the Crown Representative according to the instructions regarding the procedure to be observed for the submission of petitions for mercy.

(f) The State budget shall be forwarded to H.E. the Agent to the Crown Representative for his approval. In regard to the Civil List and privy purse His Highness shall have complete discretion saving that no allowance paid at present under the Civil List shall be reduced or withheld without approval of H.E. the Agent to the Crown Representative.

(g) In any matter where the views of the Executive Council and His Highness are irreconcilable a reference shall be made by the Chief Minister to the Political Agent for a decision in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time by H.E. the Agent to the Crown Representative.

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APPENDIX III

AGREEMENT BETWEEN H.H. THE MAHARAJA
OF MANIPUR AND H.E. THE GOVERNOR OF ASSAM

Without prejudice to whatever agreement or treaty may in due course be arrived at between Manipur state and Union
Government and till such time as an agreement or treaty is reached with the Union Government after the new State Constitution is introduced H.H. the Maharaja in Council agrees:

(a) That the administration rules introduced on 1st July 1947 and allied measures including the appointment Board Rules, the State Courts' Act, and the Account Rules shall continue in force after August 15th 1947 or such date as Paramountcy may lapse and shall not be subject of amendment except by H.H. in Council who shall inform His Excellency the Governor of Assam of such amendment.

(b) That the controls provided in the Confidential Instructions to the administration rules shall continue saving that Clause (a) shall lapse on the introduction of the Hill Regulation and that in Clause (f) it shall be provided that the state budget shall be submitted to H.E. for his information and advice. Further that wherever the term 'Agent to the Crown Representative' and 'Political Agent' is used in the instructions the term 'Agent to the Government of the Indian Union' and 'Union Agent' shall be substituted.

In addition His Highness in Council shall accept any advice tendered by H.E. the Governor of Assam as Agent to the Government of the Indian Union, in any matter concerning the State, it being understood that there shall be the minimum interference in the internal affairs of the state.

(c) That the introduction of the constitutional government shall be expedited and that His Highness in Council
shall submit proposals in this regard as early as possible to H.E. the Agent to the Government of the Indian Union for his advice.

(d) That His Highness in Council will accept an officer appointed by the Union Government and residing in the state to act as Agent to H.E. in the exercise of functions vested in H.E. by this agreement; further whatever facilities are required by this officer and by whatever troops may be stationed in the state shall by mutual agreement be provided.

(e) The officer of the Union Government stationed in the state may call for any records connected with a matter concerning a member of the hill tribes at his discretion and may issue such advice as seems necessary. Further that facilities shall be given for the Union officer to tour in the state and that no order shall be issued under Section 77 or 78 of the Hill Regulation without the prior advice of the Union Agent. Should these sections be deleted in the course of discussions this last provision will not arise. Further that in the application of the power vested in him under these sections the Union Agent shall avoid interference in the day to day administration of the hills.

(f) That the Hill Regulation shall be introduced simultaneously with the State Courts' Act and that this shall be done before August 15, 1947.

Dated 2 July 1947

Bodhachandra Singh

His Highness the Maharaja of Manipur in Council.
APPENDIX IV
MANIPUR MERGER AGREEMENT

Agreement made this twentyfirst day of September 1949 between the Governor General of India and His Highness the Maharaja of Manipur

Whereas in the best interest of the state of Manipur as well as the Dominion of India it is desirable to provide for the administration of the said state by or under the authority of the Dominion Government it is hereby agreed as follows: -

Article I

H.H. the Maharaja of Manipur hereby ceded to the Dominion Government full and exclusive authority, jurisdiction and powers for and in relation to the governance of the state and agrees to transfer the administration of the state to the Dominion Government on the 15th day of October, 1949 (hereafter referred to as 'the said day').
As from the said day the Dominion Government will be competent to exercise the said powers, authority and jurisdiction in such manner and through such agency as it may think fit.

Article II

His Highness the Maharaja shall continue to enjoy the same personal rights, privileges, dignities, titles, authority over religious observances, customs, usages, rites and ceremonies and institutions in charge of the same in the state, which he would have enjoyed had this agreement been not made.

Article III

His Highness the Maharaja shall with effect from the said day be entitled to receive for his life time from the revenue of the state annually for his privy purse the sum of rupees three lakhs free of all taxes. This amount is intended to cover all the expenses of the ruler and his family, including expenses on account of his personal staff and armed guards, maintenance of his residence, marriage and other ceremonies, etc., and the allowances to the ruler's relations who on the date of execution of this agreement were in receipt of such allowances from the revenues of the state and will neither be increased nor decreased for any reason whatsoever.
The Government of India undertake that the said sum of rupees three lakhs shall be paid to His Highness the Maharaja in four equal instalments in advance at the beginning of each quarter from the state treasury or at such other treasury as may be specified by the Government of India.

Article IV

His Highness the Maharaja shall be entitled to the full ownership, use and enjoyment of all private properties (as distinct from state properties) belonging to him on the date of this agreement.

His Highness the Maharaja will furnish to the Dominion Government before the first January 1950 an inventory of all the immovable property, securities and cash balance held by him as such private property.

If any dispute arises as to whether any item of property is the private property of H.H. the Maharaja or the state property, it shall be referred to a judicial officer qualified to be appointed as High Court Judge, and the decision of that officer shall be final and binding on both the parties.

Provided that H.H. the Maharaja's rights to the use of the residence known as 'Red Lands' and Lee Chatalettes in Shillong and the property in the town of Gauhati known as Manipur Basti shall not be questioned.
Article V

All the members of His Highness's family shall be entitled to all the personal rights, privileges, dignities and titles enjoyed by them whether within or outside the territories of the state, immediately before 15 August 1947.

Article VI

The Dominion Government guarantees the succession, according to the law and custom, to the Gaddi of the state and to His Highness the Maharaja's personal rights, privileges, dignities, titles, authority over religious observances, customs, usages, rites and ceremonies and institutions in charge of the same in the state.

Article VII

No enquiry shall be made by or under the authority of the Government of India, and no proceedings shall lie in any court in Manipur against His Highness the Maharaja, whether in a personal capacity or otherwise in respect of anything done or committed to be done by him or under his authority during the period of his administration of the state.

Article VIII

(1) The Government of India hereby guarantee either the continuance in service of the permanent members of the public services of Manipur on conditions which will be not less
advantageous than those on which they were serving before the date the administration of Manipur is made over to the Government of India or the payment of reasonable compensation.

(2) The Government of India further guarantees the continuance of pensions and leave salaries sanctioned by H.H. the Maharaja to servants of the state who have retired to proceed on leave preparatory or retirement, before the date on which the administration of Manipur is made over to the Government of India.

(3) The Government of India also undertake to make suitable provisions for the employment of the Manipuris in the various branches of the public services and in every way encourage Manipuris to join them. They also undertake to preserve various laws, customs and conventions prevailing in the state pertaining to the social, economic and religious life of the people.

Article IX

Except with the previous sanction of the Government of India no proceedings, civil or criminal, shall be instituted against any person in respect of any act done or purporting to be done in the execution of his duties as a servant of the state before the day on which the administration is made over to the Government of India.
In confirmation whereof Mr. Vappal Pangunni Menon, Advisor to the Government of India, in the Ministry of States, has appended his signature on behalf and with the authority of the Governor General of India and H.H. Maharaja Bodhachandra Singh, Maharaja of Manipur has appended his signature on behalf of himself, his heirs and successors.

Shillong, 21 September 1949. Bodhachandra Singh
Maharaja of Manipur.

Vappal Pangunni Menon, Advisor to the Government of India, Ministry of States.

Sri Sri Prakash Governor of Assam.