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## Indonesia

THE REBELLION IN SUMATRA

1. It appears that Lt.-Col. Sjamun GAHARU, Commander of Atjeh, has his officers no longer under control. Many of them are involved in illegal barter trade between Atjeh and Penang-Singapore.

Fighting in Atjeh is continuing and hardly a day passes without shooting and killing between the Government troops and the Darul Islam. Apparently the truce between Lt.-Col. GAHARU and the leader of the Darul Islam in Atjeh, the ex-Governor Daud BEUREUH, is not stable. The Darul Islam are becoming stronger and stronger as they are getting arms and money from abroad, and are now operating much closer with the PRRI-rebels of Central Sumatra.

2. The suppression of the rebellion in Central Sumatra is meeting with great difficulties. The rebels have received new arms recently and have plenty of food.

Army Headquarters in Djakarta, have asked for DJATIKUSUMO's advice. The latter has been Commander in Chief against the rebels in North and Central Sumatra for some time, and he is supposed to know the answer.

3. The Central Government is doubtful of the loyalty of Lt.-Col. Djamin GINTING, the East Sumatra Commander, and of Lt.-Col. GAHARU. Because they are Lt.-Gen. NASUTION's men and moreover Bataks the Central Government cannot intervene.

4. Reports have been received from Penang saying that the ex-Col. SIMBOLON and Mr. NAZARUDDIN, political adviser of the PRRI, arrived in Penang from Atjeh by motorboat on January 12 last, and are still staying in Penang. Purpose of their visit is to make

financial arrangements for buying arms in South Siam, which will be shipped from Pulau Langkawi (Siam) to the Medan and Atjeh area. Part of the arms will be landed at the coast of Oleh-leh in order to avoid patrol boats of the Indonesian Navy cruising along the east coast of Atjeh.

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