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COLOMBO PLAN STUDENTS

ACHIEVING HIGH ACADEMIC HONOURS

THREE ASIAN STUDENTS AT CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COLOMBO PLAN HAVE RECENTLY BEEN AWARDED HIGH HONOURS FOR THEIR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE DURING THE PAST YEAR.

FROM MALAYA, MR. THONG KAR CHEONG WON THE MACDONALD COLLEGE MEDAL AND A MCGILL UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP, AND MR. YIP SIEW NGEH WON THE DUNSMUIR SCHOLARSHIP. RADEN PRAJATNA KOESOEMADINATA FROM INDONESIA WAS AWARDED THE QUEENS GEOLOGY MEDAL.

MR. THONG KAR CHEONG ARRIVED IN CANADA ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1959 TO STUDY FOR A B.SC. DEGREE IN AGRICULTURE AT MACDONALD COLLEGE. HE LIVES IN PENANG AND RECEIVED HIS EDUCATION AT THE PENANG FREE SCHOOL WHERE IN 1957 HE WAS AWARDED THE CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL CERTIFICATE WITH DISTINCTIONS AND CREDITS. HE WAS CAPTAIN OF HIS SCHOOL FOR TWO YEARS, CAPTAIN OF CRICKET, AND REPRESENTED HIS SCHOOL AT BASKETBALL. AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS COLOMBO PLAN SCHOLARSHIP, WHEN HE WILL BE RETURNING TO HIS COUNTRY, HE INTENDS TO JOIN THE MALAYAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. WITH THIS GOAL IN MIND, MR. THONG IS WORKING THIS SUMMER WITH THE SOIL SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RESEARCH LABORATORY IN OTTAWA.

MR. YIP SIEW NGEH ARRIVED IN CANADA IN SEPTEMBER 1957 TO TAKE A COURSE IN MINING ENGINEERING AT THE FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. HE WAS BORN AT IPOH AND