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Senior Middle Classes.

A conference ~~of~~ on the above subject was held in Kuala Lumpur as a result of which approval has now been granted for the opening of a Senior Middle Class in Muar subject to the following conditions:

(a) The syllabus outlined in the attached appendix should be followed. This pratically follows the outline we decided upon in our discussion in Muar on 6/Feb/54.

(b) 4 periods of English should be added to the syllabus for the Primary 5 and 6 as an extra subject for all pupils who wish to go on to Junior Middle. No pupil who has not taken this extra English should be permitted to enter the Junior Middle School. Malay must continue to be taught to all pupils throughout the Primary 4, 5 and 6. This has been suggested in place of our proposal to make Malay optional in Primary 5 and 6 which cannot be allowed.

(c) To begin with, the 4th Year in Senior Middle is permitted, but it must be made clear that preparation for the School Certificate Examination should take place throughout the 4 year Course, and NOT be reserved for the 4th and final year.

(d) If Government Grant is eventually approved for these classes only three of the four years will be aided. This, however, should not be a great obstacle for, as the standard of English improves, it should be possible after a period of several years to reduce the Course from 4 years to 3 years.

2. There will be NO grant-in-Aid for these classes in 1954 or 1955. Before consideration can be given to Grant-in-Aid for 1956, the school will have to give practical demonstartion that it is in fact attempting to prepare students for both the Government Senior Middle Examination and the Cambridge School Certificate.

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3. It is now suggested that plans are drawn up for changing over to the required text books for such a course so that the necessary change over can be made smoothly and in good time.

4. I am taking up with the Chief Education Officer the question of an extra English teacher for the present Senior Middle I and have hopes of success. I hope to be in Muar shortly and will discuss these various matters with you.

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Victory for the first stage!
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