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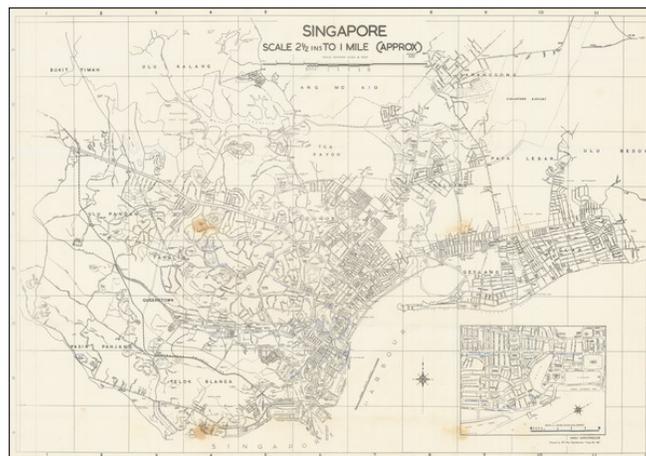
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Map Maker: 570 Map Reproduction Troop
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Date: 1957
Place: Singapore
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Size: 30 x 21 inches
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Description:

This 1957 Far East Land Forces (FARELF) military survey of Singapore, scaled at approximately 2 ½ inches to one mile, is an intricate depiction of the city's urban layout during a pivotal era in its colonial history. Printed by the 570 Map Reproduction Troop RE, the map reflects Singapore's strategic importance in the mid-20th century, marked by rapid urban development and geopolitical shifts. The detailed inset in the lower right corner highlights key locations within Singapore, such as "Hong Lim Green," "Empress Place," "Fullerton Road," and "Clifford Quay."

In 1957, Singapore was in a period of significant political transition, moving towards self-governance while still under British colonial rule. This era was marked by growing nationalist sentiments and increasing political activism, leading to the formation of political parties like the People's Action Party (PAP), founded in 1954. The city-state was grappling with the complexities of colonial legacy, the push for independence, and the challenges of establishing a distinct national identity. This period was also characterized by social and economic challenges, including housing shortages and unemployment, which fueled the political discourse around self-governance and the future direction of Singapore. The year 1957 itself was a precursor to the pivotal year of 1959, when Singapore would witness its first general elections, leading to self-rule and eventually paving the way for its full independence in 1965.

Rarity

Rare. OCLC locates a single 1959 edition of the map at the National Library of Scotland.

Detailed Condition:



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Four tone marks in the image. Some ink underlining and circling. Small tear in the bottom margin.