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ABSTRACT

In 1891, Huang Zunxian (黄遵宪), an outstanding Chinese official diplomat and poet, was assigned as China's first consul-general to Singapore, then a colony of Great Britain. With great enthusiasm, Huang initiated and implemented policies which had great influence on the life of the overseas Chinese in Singapore as well as in other countries. He also helped his government in fund raising and in arousing the patriotic feeling of the overseas Chinese. Alarmed by the great influence that Huang had well on the overseas Chinese, the Straits Government deplored Huang's activities and started collecting evidence against him. This paper examines the policies implemented by Huang, his influences on the overseas Chinese, and also discusses the accusations and allegations brought against him by the Straits Government.

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