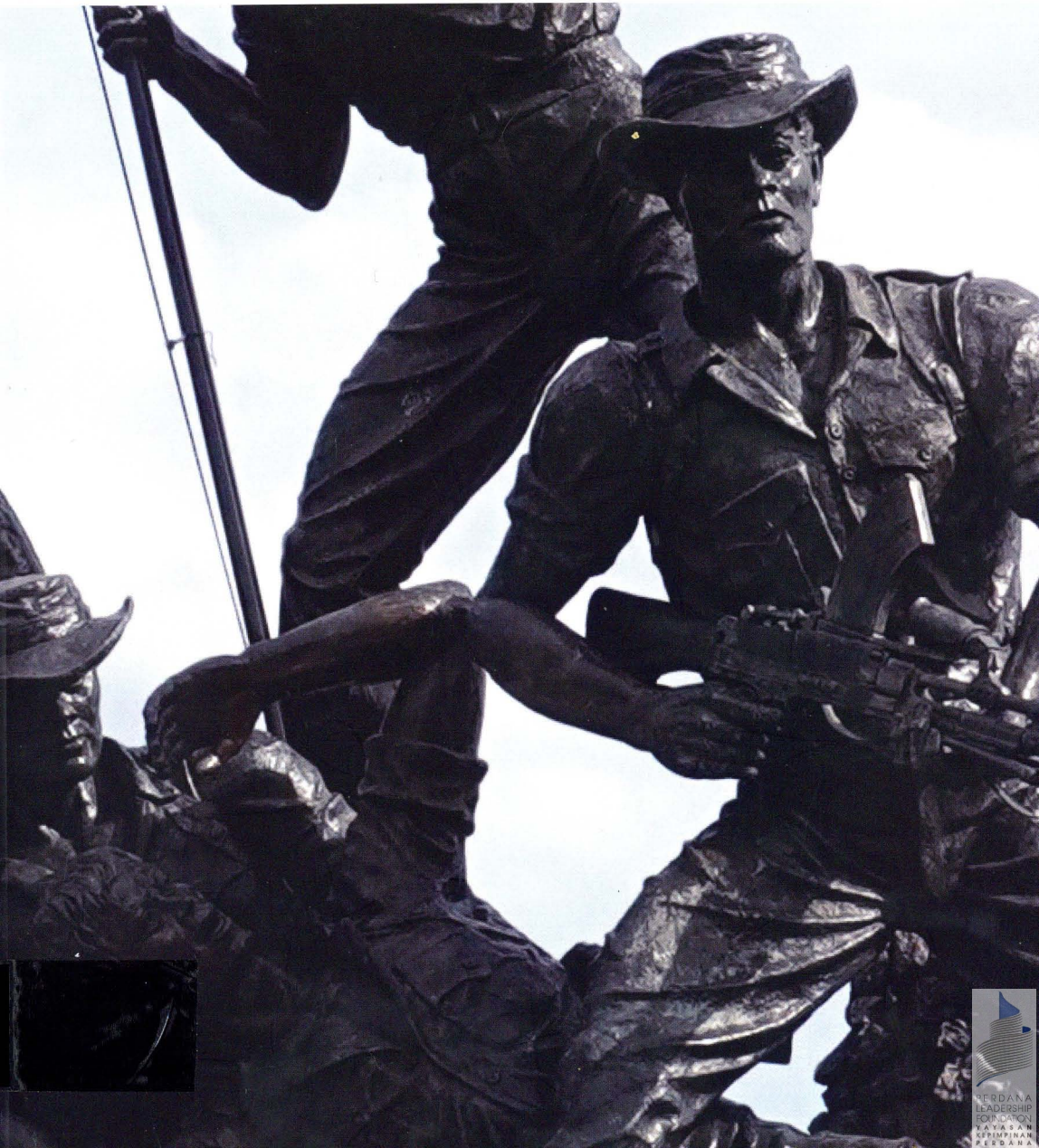


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*Spanning 70 years from the time of the Malayan Emergency in 1948 till now, little is recorded of the contribution of the Malayan and later, Malaysian Armed Forces, certainly not from the perspective of the local military.*

*There are numerous publications and books on the Malayan Emergency by the British forces but most of these narratives are of people looking in from the outside. It is time that local people who were directly involved narrate their experiences.*

*The Malay Regiment, Police Force, Special Branch, Federation Regiment, Home Guard, Rangers and different corps of the Malayan Armed Forces contributed to the defence of the nation in the Malayan Emergency and later in Confrontation and Counter-Insurgency Warfare. This book also describes the roles of the Royal Malaysian Navy and the Royal Malaysian Air Force in the war and how the corps were established.*

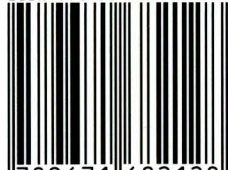
*Besides defending the nation, the Armed Forces also participated in many successful United Nation peacekeeping missions and local civic actions that benefited the public.*

*The Malaysian Armed Forces Chinese Veterans who contributed significantly in the early years decided to take the lead in narrating their experiences. There are two parts to this book. Part 1 is an introduction or preamble, which describes milestone events that occurred and Part 2 consists of personal experiences as narrated by the veterans.*

*Two key elements in this book deserve attention - the narratives of the veterans who were in the events that occurred through the seven decades and the invaluable artefacts such as photographs, newspaper clippings and personal effects which act as time capsules, providing us with snapshots into their lives back then.*

*As this book was taking shape, some of the veterans who contributed to it, have passed on. This memoir preserves their thoughts and records their journey.*

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