

Tunku's confidante

NSY-1/9/206

KUALA LUMPUR: Nancy Simmons, a government driver in London was abreast of the developments in Malaya through letters that Tunku Abdul Rahman wrote to her between 1956 and 1975.

Tunku was one of the many dignitaries she chauffeured around during his London negotiation talks for Malaya's Independence.

Some may wonder why he

chose to confide his fears, concerns, sentiments and future plans with her.

The letters indicated that the Tunku had a warm, friendly and professional relationship with Simmons.

Tunku even sent her a copy of his last Merdeka speech on Sept 2, 1970 for her to read in her quiet moments.

Below are two of his letters to her:

