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## APPENDIX A

All interviews were conducted by the author between 2015 and 2021. The interviews were semistructured and lasted on average a little more than an hour. Quotes from the interviews are presented in anonymous and nonattributable form, except when interviewees gave explicit consent to be quoted by name.

1	Mahathir Mohamad, the Malaysian fourth and seventh Prime Minister	Kuala Lumpur	August 24 2017.
2	Adly Zahari the Chief Minister of Melaka	The Hague	September 12 2019
3	Former Senior executive of Khazanah	Rotterdam	August 18 2019.
4	Senior officer at the Economic Planning Unit (EPU)	Skype	September 11 2020
5	Former TNB officer	Rotterdam	December 25 2019
6	Senior officer from the Malaysian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	The Hague	July 2 2019.
7	Former officer at the Ministry of Finance	Skype	September 11 2020.
8	Former Special Officer to Malaysian National Security Minister	Skype	July 19, 2020.
9	Former adviser to Najib Razak	Kuala Lumpur	November 12, 2015.
10	Former Senior Royal Malaysian Navy officer	The Hague	August 18, 2021.
11	Special Officer to Malaysian Defense Minister	Amsterdam	February 21 2020
12	Senior officer from the Malaysian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	The Hague	April 25, 2021
13	Senior officer from the Malaysian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	The Hague	August 1, 2021
14	Senior officer Malaysian Anticorruption Commissioner	Skype	June 8, 2021
15	Officer at the Bank Negara Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	June 6, 2018
16	Former officer at the Bank Negara Malaysia	The Hague	May 22, 2021



## APPENDIX B

### PhD Topic List & Interview Questions

*i. Topic 1: The executives and bureaucrats in Malaysia's foreign [economic/defence] policy-making*

**Question 1:** How do the executives interact with the bureaucrats in Malaysia's foreign [economic/defence] policy formulation process?

**Question 2:** What are the differences in terms of the role of the executives and the bureaucrats in Malaysia's foreign [economic/defence] policy formulation process?

*ii. Topic 2: Malaysia's foreign defense policy change*

**Question 3:** Why did change occurred in Malaysia's foreign defense policy toward China? [For instance, with reference to the purchase of Chinese-made Littoral Mission Ships (LMS), bilateral military exercise with China, allowing Chinese submarines and warships to dock at Malaysian ports, and the establishment of Malaysia-China Military High Level Committee, etc.]

*iii. Topic 3: Malaysia's foreign economic policy change*

**Question 4:** Why did change occurred in Malaysia's foreign economic policy toward China? [For instance, with reference to projects such as the ECRL, TSGP & MPP pipelines, Bandar Malaysia, and Edra Energy, etc.]

*iv. Topic 4: The impact of Prime Minister Najib Razak's 1MDB scandal on Malaysia's foreign [economic/defence] policy-making*

**Question 5:** How did 1MDB scandal of the former Prime Minister Najib Razak affected Malaysian executive-bureaucrat relations?

**Question 6:** How did 1MDB scandal of the former Prime Minister Najib Razak affected Malaysia's foreign [economic/defence] policy formulation?

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