



The first chart of Hong Kong, updated to 1958

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Hong Kong. Surveyed by Capt.n Sir Edward Belcher, in H.M.S. Sulphur 1841.

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