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PRESS RELEASE

Meeting of the Council of Ministers of January 28th, 2014

The Government gathered this Tuesday, January 28th, 2014, in the Council of Ministers' meeting room, at the Government's Palace, in Dili, and approved:

1. Appointment of Milena Soares Abrantes as President of the Board of Radio and Television of Timor-Leste

Milena Soares Abrantes was appointed by the Government as Chairman of the Board of Radio and Television of Timor-Leste, Public Enterprise (RTTL, EP) for a term of four years, in accordance with the law.

In accordance with No 2 of Article 8 of the Statute of RTTL, EP the Council of Ministers has the responsibility to appoint and dismiss the Chairman of the Board of Directors of RTTL, EP, on a proposal of the Cabinet member responsible for media, ie, the Secretary of State for Media.

Former Chairman of the Board of Directors of RTTL, EP, Expedito Ximenes, thus leaves the office after having finished his term.

2. Decree-Law that approves the Criminal Enforcement Regime

This legislation approves the regime of criminal enforcement, regulating the execution of imprisonment and security measure of internment on inimputable person in establishments or prisons units under the Ministry of Justice. It regulates also the execution of the suspended prison sentence and work for the community, applied in lieu of the sentence of imprisonment.

The Criminal Enforcement Regime aims to establish, in Timor-Leste, a system of administration of a human, just and safe criminal justice oriented to the social reintegration of prisoners, focusing on dignifying their living conditions in prisons. To this end, measures that promote the creation of



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3. Decree-Law that approves the Resources and Financial Incentives for Community Leadership

This diploma repeals Decree-Law n. 3/2012, of 3 July, which defined the types of financial incentives and the amounts to be allocated to the structures of community leaders and their representatives. Therefore this diploma defines in greater detail the types of benefits, the amounts awarded and the powers and responsibilities of the State, namely the Ministry of State Administration and District Administrations, while entities of the Government in terms of the promotion and implementation of local development policies.

This update comes from the need to adapt to circumstances encountered in the field, as well as increased costs at a local level, therefore the amounts to be allocated to community leaders are reviewed within the various modalities of benefit.

The Council of Ministers also analysed:

1. Report of the visit of the First Mission of Support to the Electoral Process in the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

The Secretary of State for Administrative Decentralization submitted to the Council of Ministers the report of the visit of the First Mission of Support to the Electoral Process in the Republic of Guinea-Bissau. Timor-Leste has made available a sum of \$ 6,000,000.00 U.S. dollars for this mission that was in Guinea-Bissau for about four months, with the aim of helping to prepare the electoral process. The work of the delegation of Timor-Leste in Guinea-Bissau was developed in collaboration with the United Nations Integrated Peace-Building Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS).

A second Support Mission should travel to Guinea-Bissau, before the elections, scheduled for 16 March

2. Government Resolution n.º 35/2011, of 23 December

The Council of Ministers reviewed the decision, approved by Government Resolution no. ° 35/2011, of 23 December, which, among other things, refers to the prohibition of the *bola guling* game and lotteries in the country of Timor-Leste. At today's meeting, the Government reinforced the need to maintain this prohibition.

The precincts, public or private, where these activities are conducted are covered by this resolution and shall be immediately closed.



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