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SEVENTH CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT

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Meeting of the Council of Ministers of October 31, 2017

The Government met on October 31 at the Government Palace, in Dili, to analyse and discuss the changes to the [Government Program](#). New data has been included, submitted by the ministries, which is based on the Strategic Development Plan and the Sustainable Development Objectives, to provide for more consistency and greater detail to the objectives of the Seventh Constitutional Government.

The Government also began to analyse a preliminary version of its respective **organic law**, which includes the distribution of competencies to the various Ministries and Secretariats of State.

The Minister of Planning and Finance, Rui Gomes, and his technical team, presented the draft of the **State Rectification Budget**, with the necessary adjustments to accommodate the Government's new structure and to meet the commitments that have already been made, ensuring the fulfilment of the goal regarding the Executive's containment of expenses. Thus, the Government decided that the State Rectification Budget will not increase state spending, maintaining the original budget ceiling. **ENDS**



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