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## Press Release

### Meeting of the Council of Ministers of 6 May 2020

The Council of Ministers met at the Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão Auditorium, at the Ministry of Finance, in Dili and heard a presentation by the Coordinating Minister for Economic Affairs, Fidelis Manuel Leite Magalhães, on the draft Decree-Law on the moratorium on compliance with obligations arising from credit concession contracts, under the economic policy of response to COVID-19. This Decree-Law aims to respond to the constraints and difficulties resulting from the decrease in revenues and incomes inherent in the slowdown of the economy due to the outbreak of COVID-19 and the risk of a spiral of non-compliance, which could have negative effects on the financial system and consequently on the real economy. This project will be re-examined at the next meeting of the Council of Ministers.

The Council of Ministers approved the appointment of Timóteo de Deus (effective member) and Ana Paula Marçal (alternate) as Government Representatives in the Superior Council of the Public Prosecutor's Office, proposed by the Minister of Justice, Manuel Cárceres da Costa.

The members of the Government approved three draft deliberations, presented by the Minister of Public Works, Salvador Soares dos Reis Pires, relating to a Memorandum of Understanding and two Cooperation Protocols with public entities in Portugal.

The first draft deliberation approved refers to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Economy and Employment of the Portuguese Republic and the Ministry of Public Works together with the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste in the field of Energy (Electricity and Fuels), Geology and Mines.



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The Cooperation Protocol between the Ministry of Environment, Spatial Planning and Energy of the Portuguese Republic and the Ministry of Public Works of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste on Water, Sanitation, Drainage and Solid Waste Management was also approved.

Finally, the members of the Government approved the Protocol between IP Engenharia, S.A. and the Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, within the framework of the Organization and Management of the Timor-Leste Road Network.

**ENDS**



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