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THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

MEETING ON 22ND APRIL 2009

The Council of Ministers held a meeting on Wednesday, 22nd April 2009, in its room in the Government Building, Dili where it approved:

1- Decree-Law that creates the “Order of Timor-Leste”

Similar to what exists in other countries, these decorations represent the acknowledgement on behalf of the Nation and the State towards the citizens and entities that distinguish themselves, through their deeds that benefit the community, the country or Humanity. In Timor-Leste some decorations have already been created, but only for exceptional circumstances, like for example the ones that fought for independence.

Thus, it is important to create a decoration with a more generic and encompassing scope.

The “Order of Timor-Leste” intends to be a decoration with prestige and dignity, a decoration that will show the acknowledgement of Timor-Leste to those nationals or internationals, that through their professional or social activity, or through a spontaneous action, have significantly contributed towards the greater good, to a better Timor-Leste, towards the people of Timor or Humanity.

2- Resolution that approves the Civic Service Cleaning Campaign

Considering that a balanced environment guarantees the quality of the natural resources, which are essential and allow the animals and vegetables to subsist and continued living, and thus considered to be World Heritage. It is up to Man to preserve it in order to enjoy life, health and well-being.

Thus, the preservation of a balanced ecological environment is a civic duty. In a time where the country is enjoying a well earned stability, it is up to the timorese to fulfil their role in society and before Mankind. Thus, and in accordance with Article 41.º of the Civil Service Statute, the civil servants and the agents of

the Public Administration, should first and foremost uphold the interest of the Nation and act as a role model to the other citizens. It is with that principle in mind that the Government has approved this Resolution that allows them to be the carriers of civil ethics and pass it on to other and ultimately to render a service to the community and Mankind.

The Council of Ministers also analysed:

3- The presentation of the Strategic Plan 2009-12 for the Ministry of Social Solidarity.

The Ministry of Social Solidarity has presented a Strategic Planning for 2009-2012.

This plan was presented considering the present policies and took into consideration the analysis that were made on the internal and external status of Timor-Leste. With this plan, the Ministry of Social Solidarity aims to be closer to the fulfilment of the Millennium Development Goals and to promote social protection.