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PRESS RELEASE

Meeting of the Council of Ministers on August 13, 2013

The V Constitutional Government met this Tuesday, August 13, 2013 in the Council of Ministers Meeting Room at the Government Palace in Díli and approved the following:

1. Government Resolution that Approves Annual Enlistment to the F–FDTL

The Council of Ministers approved the Resolution that approves the enlistment of new recruits into the F– FDTL for 2014.

This Resolution arises from the need to meet the objectives set in the strategic guidelines (Força 2020), which provides that by the year 2020 the military will have a roster of 3600 men and women. In 2014 an additional 500 recruits will be enlisted to the class of "Praças".

2. Decree-Law that approves the First Amendment to the Decree-Law approving the Statute of the University Teaching Career

The Ministry of Education has the approval of the Decree for the first amendment to the Decree-Law No. 7/2012 of 15 February on the Statute of the University Teaching Career.

The system of career promotion contemplated in this law establishes a set of rules giving credibility to teaching staff through the promotion of excellence within the higher education institutions in Timor-Leste, both public and private.



Palácio do Governo, Avenida Presidente Nicolau Lobato, Dili, Timor-Leste This first amendment focuses mainly on the professional categories of the career regime, the official approval and certification process for the university professors' career advancement, the criteria for assessing their performance and revision of the provisions concerning calculation of wages and supplements as well as the sabbatical regime.

3. Decree-Law that Approves the Structures of Administrative Pre-Deconcentration

The Council of Ministers approved the Decree-Law that approves the structures of administrative predeconcentration presented by the Ministry of State Administration.

The Decree-Law establishes the organizational and structural functions of administrative predecentralisation, which are peripheral services under the direct administration of the State, with administrative autonomy endowed to the Ministry of State Administration.

The structures of administrative pre-deconcentration aim to ensure the implementation of Government programs and the maintenance of the coordinated actions of all State services, and to support the activities of the traditional community leaders and non-governmental organisations in their geographical areas of operation.

4. Government Resolution Approves the Representative for the Integrated Economic Development Project

Following the presentation made at the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of Ministers of 29 July, the Council of Ministers has approved a Resolution appointing João Mendes Gonçalves, Minister of Economy and Development under the IV Constitutional Government, as the representative of the State of Timor-Leste, and Head of Mission, for the negotiation and establishment of a cooperation platform for integrated regional economic development between Timor-Leste, Indonesia and Australia.

The Council of Ministers also analysed the following:

1. Survey of infrastructure damaged by climate change

The Secretary of State for Public Works presented to the Council of Ministers a survey of bridges and roads which have been damaged by the effects of Climate Change and therefore need prioritised repairs.



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