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Meeting of the Council of Ministers of November 21st and 22nd, 2013

The Government gathered, on November 21st and 22nd, 2013, at the Council of Ministers' meeting room, in the Government's Palace, in Dili, and approved:

- 1. Draft Resolution, approving the Cooperation Agreement in the areas of education and training for Humanitarian Assistance actions and fight against Natural Catastrophes between the Government of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and the Government of Japan**

This agreement follows the signature of the Cooperation Agreement in the Areas of Education and Training on Humanitarian Assistance and fight against Natural Catastrophes, on last September between the Governments of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and Japan, which negotiation process was conducted by the President of the Republic. Apart from contributing to the capacity building of National Defence and Security Forces to act in Humanitarian Assistance situations, this agreement tends to strengthen cooperation relationships with Japan.

- 2. Decree-Law regulating the Legal Regime of Public-Private Partnerships**

This diploma regulates the Legal Regime of Public-Private Partnerships, approved by the Decree-Law 42/2012, of September 7th, and approves the necessary structures to the implementation of public-private partnerships, as well as establishing a legal base to the approval of the procurement procedure according to the public-private partnership projects' cycle.

Therefore, this Decree-Law foresees the powers and features of the Public-Private Partnerships' Unit and identifies procedures associated to the projects' cycle, from the Initial and Feasibility Phase, Procurement and Negotiation Phase and Implementation and Operation Phase.



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3. Decree-Law approving the F-DFTL Militaries' Statute

This diploma aims to discipline the military career, since the admission, until the moment when, a member of military staff reaches retirement.

Positions are set, within each category or group, and the demands for evolution to proceed. New concepts are introduced, such as the need for military to be physically evaluated, and the category of Reserve, foreseen in the National Defence Law, is developed. Careers are structured and some specialties are defined.

To veterans, all of those who, for more than 20 years, fought for the liberation of the country and the people, members of FALINTIL who led to F-DFTL, it is given the right of anticipation to become Reservists.

Transitional rules are, also, created to allow the best implementation of changes and new demands.

4. Government Resolution approving the National Commission against Childhood Labour

The National Commission against Childhood Labour (NCACL), in a tripartite composition, counts with representatives of the Government, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry and of the Unions' Confederation. The NCACL is responsible for implementing and monitoring the implementation of Convention 182, of the International Labour Organization, related with the prohibition of the Worst Forms of Child Labour and the Immediate Action Aiming its Elimination, already ratified by the National Parliament.

5. Resolution Proposal approving the ratification of the Conventions n. 100 and n. 111 of the International Labour Organization

The Convention n. 100 of the International Labour Organization (ILO) defends the equal remuneration and the Convention n. 111 defends the non-discrimination in terms of employment and occupation. These two agreements meet the requirements of national labour legislation, allowing the State to take another significant step towards the protection of workers' rights and equality between men and women.

The Council of Ministers also analysed:

1 Industrial Plant Investment Project

The firm Global Fidelity J (PVT) Ltd. presented to the Government a development project of an industrial park for textile and fisheries' industries. According to the firm, the initial investment will be around five million dollars for the textile area, and it is predicted to grow along twenty years, and between three to five



million dollars to fisheries. The project sets a business possibility to Timor-Leste, in the region, and of employment to locals.



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