



DILI, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

## PRESS RELEASE

## Meeting of the Council of Ministers of December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013

The Government gathered this Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in the Council of Ministers' meeting room, at the Government's Palace, in Dili, and approved:

## 1. National Mourning in Honour of Nelson Mandela

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, in its meeting of the Council of Ministers, on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013, has declared a National Mourning in all of the National territory, as a sign of sympathy for the death of the Former President of South Africa and Nobel Prize for Peace, Mr. Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. The period of National Mourning begins at 00.00h of the 11<sup>th</sup> December and ends at 24.00h of the 13<sup>th</sup> December.

During this period of National Mourning the National Flag must be hoisted at half-mast or half halyard, in all public buildings, including embassies, consulates and other representations of the State abroad, as well as in State vessels.

## 2. Resolution appointing the Executive Secretary of the National Commission for Combating HIV-AIDS in Timor-Leste

The Council of Ministers appointed the Hon. Dr. Daniel Marçal to perform the duties of Executive Secretary of the National Commission for Combating HIV-AIDS in Timor-Leste. This National Commission was recently created by the Government.