Directive agreed upon by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia and the Leadership of the Free Aceh Movement

Directive on security arrangements for Aceh

I. The Joint Council welcomes the first Commander to Commander meeting which took place on 9, 10 February 2001, at the Kuala Tripa Hotel in Banda Aceh, and endorses the agreement reached by both sides at this meeting. The Joint Council takes particular note of the following points in the agreement:

- New mechanisms designed to anticipate and prevent incidents. These mechanisms include socialisation, coordination, communication and clarification between commanders of both parties.
- The list of actions and behaviour that have been defined as ‘violent’.
- The maintenance of law and order and the punishment of criminals.

II. The Commander to Commander mechanism, which is to include commanders from POLRI/TNI and GAM, is to be expanded vertically and horizontally along the chain of command of both sides. This will be carried out as follows:

- The second meeting in Banda Aceh is to take place on or around 20 February 2001. The commanders at this meeting must have authority over the whole of Aceh.
- The Commander to Commander mechanism will be expanded down to the district and eventually the sub-district levels;
- Commander to Commander meetings are to occur on a regular basis at all levels;
- Commanders present at the meetings should have the authority to make operational decisions within their geographic areas of responsibility;
- Commander to Commander meetings are to be organised by the newly formed Joint Committee for Security Matters (JCSM), which will ensure that security guarantees are provided, and will send their reports to the Joint Council;
- HDC will facilitate the meetings as long as they are needed for confidence.
III. The Joint Council authorizes the commanders present at all the commander to commander meetings to:

- Use the security arrangements in the Annex to the Provisional Understanding of 9 January 2001 as the framework for decisions and actions (see Attachment A)
- This agreement is the basis for any further development of security arrangements for Aceh.
- Determine the technical mechanisms required for reducing violence and tension, including communication and notification on the hotline as a first priority to prevent and resolve incidents.

IV. The second commander to commander meeting will develop and implement the security arrangements indefinitely beyond 20 February. This will be reviewed, at least every three months by the Joint Council based on reports from the JCSM.

V. The Joint Council agreed to establish the Joint Committee on Security Matters comprising four members from each side with the following duties:

- To facilitate commander to commander meetings
- To appoint some and deactivate other members of the Monitoring Teams of the Joint Committee on Security Matters, and to handle the expansion of the District Monitoring Teams
- To report the conduct of its duty to the Joint Council periodically
- In carrying out their duties, the Committee is facilitated by HDC

VI. The Monitoring Team for Security Modalities (MTSM) will now be called the Monitoring Team of the Joint Committee on Security Matters. The four District Monitoring Teams will be maintained. The Joint Council takes note of the proposals submitted by the MTSM on 13 February 2001 and, in principle, endorses the Commander to Commander meeting to further develop them.

VII. This security arrangement is meant to facilitate a broader process of democratic political consultations in Aceh, as has been agreed upon in the Provisional Understanding on 9 January 2001. Both parties agreed to initiate a preliminary and informal consultation [musyawarah] involving broad elements of the Acehnese society, including GAM, as soon as possible.
VIII. This security arrangement is also intended to continue the facilitation of humanitarian assistance. For this purpose, the Joint Committee for Humanitarian Action will be maintained as long as needed and reduced to three members from each side.

IX. The Monitoring Team for Humanitarian Action will be dissolved. Its members are encouraged to participate in the informal democratic political consultations.

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Attachment A

Excerpts from the Provisional Understanding between
the Government of the Republic of Indonesia and
the Leadership of the Free Aceh Movement

SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

- Cessation of all forms of violence, threats of violence, intimidation, and destruction of property;
- Cessation of any offensive actions;
- Building on and strengthening of existing Ground Rules;
- As violence diminishes, commensurate reduction from Aceh of non-organic forces under TNI or POLRI; reciprocal deactivation by GAM of a commensurate proportion of its forces, including by their returning to their home areas and their civilian occupations;
- Cooperation between GAM, and TNI and POLRI on how to eliminate unidentified armed elements;
- Prohibition of harassment or attack on any forces, or members thereof, not bearing or using their weapons;
- Expansion of impartial monitoring teams to all affected districts of Aceh and their equipment with adequate logistics;
- Full investigation, disciplinary actions, and legal proceedings regarding any crime allegedly committed by members of the forces of the Parties;
- Verification of all commitments by an impartial monitoring mechanism;
- Security arrangements for vital projects, including, for example, the Exxon-Mobil complex.
Attachment B

(Commander to Commander meeting agreement, 10 February 2001)