



PRESS STATEMENT
On the outcome of the meeting of the
Commission on Security Arrangements (COSA)
Banda Aceh, 13.11. 2005

The 19th meeting of the Commission on Security Arrangements (COSA) was held today, Sunday 13 November 2005, under the chairmanship of the Principal Deputy Head of Aceh Monitoring Mission (AMM), Nipat Thonglek. Delegations from Government of Indonesia and GAM attended. The GoI mission was headed by Gen. Bambang Darmono. The GAM delegation was led by Mr. Irwandi Yusuf. All parties showed a strong commitment to the implementation of the peace process in the spirit of the Helsinki Memorandum of Understanding.

The parties discussed in details the plan for the third phase of decommissioning. The decommissioning is expected to take place as follows:

- 14th November: Aceh Jaya (area near Calang)
- 15th November: Aceh Barat and Nagan Raya
- 16th November: Aceh Barat Daya
- 17th November: Aceh Selatan

The schedule however is flexible regarding the last two days of decommissioning. As in other cases the decommissioning events will take place in full transparency. The press is welcome to cover the events.

The government of Indonesia presented more details on its plans for the third phase of relocation of 5596 troops and 1350 Police / Brimob. This relocation will start immediately after the completion of the third phase of decommissioning. The redeployment of troops is expected to take place in three waves on 19th, 21st, and 25th November. The relocation of police is expected to take place around 25th November.

Government of Indonesia reported about the second phase of distribution of Economic Facilitation Packages through GAM leadership in the districts, and GAM reported about the distribution of the packages to the beneficiaries.

The next meeting will take place Thursday 24 November 2005 at 10.00 am.

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