## **Press Release**

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## JSMP receives further financial support from the Norwegian Embassy in Jakarta for the next three years totaling US \$ 542,587.00

JSMP has once again received financial support from the Norwegian Embassy in Jakarta for the next three years totaling US \$ 542,587.00 for the period November 2012 - 2015.

This financial support will be used to support programs from the Women's Justice Unit (WJU) to continue to facilitate women's access to the formal justice system.

"This financial support shows the ongoing commitment from the Norwegian Government to strengthen the Timor-Leste justice sector, especially in regards to promoting women's rights and women's access to the formal justice system" said Luis de Oliveira Sampaio, the Executive Director of JSMP.

This funding will finance court monitoring, the dissemination of legal information and training to village authorities and women's communities in remote areas, as well as high school students, regarding gender issues relating to the Law Against Domestic Violence, the Penal Code and the Criminal Procedure Code.

Previously, from early 2009 to November 2012, the Norwegian Government provided financial support totaling US \$ 560,266.00 for sprogram promoting women's access to the formal justice sector.

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