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ON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General (hereinafter: Transitional Administrator),

Pursuant to the authority given to him under the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1272 (1999) of 25 October 1999,

Taking into account United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) Regulation No. 1999/1 of 27 November 1999 on the authority of the Transitional Administrator in East Timor,

Noting that the National Consultative Council was established pursuant to UNTAET Regulation No. 1999/2 of 2 December 1999 to provide advice to the Transitional Administrator on all matters related to the exercise of the transitional Administrator's executive and legislative functions,

Taking into account United Nations Security Council Resolution 1338 (2001) of 31 January 2001 which requests the Special Representative of the Secretary-General to continue to take steps to delegate progressively further authority within the East Timor Transitional Administration to the East Timorese people,

Noting that pursuant to UNTAET Regulation No. 2000/24 of 14 July 2000, the National Consultative Council was replaced by the National Council composed of representatives of a much broader spectrum of East Timorese society and tasked to act as a forum for all legislative matters related to the exercise of the legislative authority of the Transitional Administrator,

Further noting that, after considering the recommendations of the National Council and of the Cabinet of the Transitional Government in East Timor, UNTAET Regulation No. 2001/2 on the Election of a Constituent Assembly to Prepare a Constitution for an Independent and Democratic East Timor was promulgated on 16 March 2001 to provide for the election of a Constituent Assembly to prepare a constitution for an independent and democratic East Timor and to consider such draft regulations as may be referred to it by the Transitional Administrator,

Noting that, for the purpose of giving effect to UNTAET Regulation No. 2001/2, the Transitional Administrator by Notification of 9 June 2001 has declared the date of the election of a Constituent Assembly to be 30 August 2001,

Further noting that by the said Notification of 9 June 2001, the Transitional Administrator also declared the date of the commencement of the campaign period for the election of the Constituent Assembly to be 15 July 2001,

Commending the excellent work of the members both of the National Consultative Council and of the National Council for their impressive achievement in assisting in preparing the way towards full independence and self-determination of the people of East Timor and the establishment of the rule of law,

Taking into account UNTAET Regulation No. 2000/24 on the Establishment of a National Council and pursuant to Section 10 of that Regulation on the final authority of the Transitional Administrator under such Regulation,

Promulgates the following:

Section 1

The National Council established pursuant to UNTAET Regulation No. 2000/24, composed of representatives of organizations of the civil society of East Timor to act as a forum for all legislative matters related to the exercise of the legislative authority of the Transitional Administrator, is hereby dissolved.

Section 2

The present Directive shall enter into force on 14 July 2001.

Sergio Vieira de Mello Transitional Administrator