



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2001/6

ON THE DECRIMINALIZATION OF ADULTERY

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

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

Taking into account United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) Regulation 1999/1 of 27 November 1999 on the authority of the Transitional Administration in East Timor,

Issues the following Executive Order:

Effective immediately, the conduct defined in Chapter XIV, Article 284 (Adultery), of the Indonesian Penal Code, which pursuant to Section 3 of UNTAET Regulation 1999/1 is the applicable law in East Timor, is no longer of a criminal nature in East Timor.

Under no circumstance may said article be the basis for actions undertaken by the police force or criminal charges by the Public Prosecutor. Persons allegedly offended shall be limited to civil actions and only to the extent that such remedies are provided in the civil law applicable in East Timor.

This Executive Order shall apply to all pending proceedings in East Timor, regardless of the time of any alleged offense.

Sergio Vieira de Mello
Transitional Administrator