

English translation follows below.

PREZIDENTE REPÚBLIKA RONA KONSELLU ESTADU NIA HANOIN KONA-BA ORSAMENTU JERÁL ESTADU 2019 - Presidência da República de Timor-Leste



Palásiu Prezidensiál Nicolau Lobato, Dili, 15 janeiru 2019

Prezidente Repúblika Francisco Guterres Lú Olo ohin prezide Konsellu Estadu hodi rona sira-nia hanoin kona-ba Orsamentu Jerál Estadu 2019.

Molok prezide reuniaun, membru Konsellu Estadu na'in-tolu, Eduardo de Deus Barreto 'Dusae', José Cornélio Guterres no Arcangelo de Jesus Gouveia Leite ne'ebé eleitu husi Parlamentu Nasionál simu termu posse.

Prezidente Repúblika rona hanoin sira kona-ba Orsamentu Jerál Estadu 2019 no sei tetu hanoin sira ne'e molok foti dezisaun atu promulga ka veta. Konsellu Estadu nu'udar orgaun konsulta polítiku ba Prezidente Repúblika.



Membru Konsellu Estadu ne'ebé partisipa iha reuniaun mak eis Presidente Repúblika José Ramos Horta, Primeiru Ministru Taur Matan Ruak, Presidente Parlamentu Nasionál Arão Noé de Jesus Amaral, Eduardo de Deus Barreta 'Dusae', Aurora Ximenes, José Cornélio Guterres, Arcangelo de Jesus Gouveia Leite, José dos Santos 'Naimori Bukar' ne'ebé eleitu husi Parlamentu Nasionál no Oscar Lima, Alcino de Araújo Barris, Maria Dadi Soares Magno no Laura Soares Abrantes ne'ebé Presidente Repúblika foti. Eis Presidente Repúblika Kayrala Xanana Gusmão no Faustinho Godinho Gonçalves da Costa la partisipa iha reuniaun Konsellu Estadu.



Presidente Repúblika simu Lei Orsamentu Jerál Estadu 2019 ho montante \$ 2.1 biloens husi Parlamentu Nasionál iha 24 dezemburu 2018. Presidente Repúblika sei iha loron 30 atu estuda molok foti desizaun.

Molok hala'o reuniaun Konsellu Estadu, Presidente Repúblika rona ona entidade oioin nia hanoin kona-ba Orsamentu Jerál Estadu husi Konsellu Konsultivu Fundu Petrolíferu, organizasaun sosiedade sivil, juristas, akadémiku, konfesaun relijioza, Camara Comercio e Industria Timor-Leste, Banku Sentral Timor-Leste, husi 7-10 janeiru 2019.

PRESS RELEASE

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC CONSULTS WITH THE COUNCIL OF STATE ABOUT THE 2019 BUDGET

Nicolau Lobato Presidential Palace, Dili, 15 January 2019

The President of the Republic Francisco Guterres Lú Olo today presided over the meeting of the Council of State, which focused on the 2019 General State Budget.

Before the meeting, three new members of the Council of State appointed by National Parliament took office, namely Eduardo de Deus Barreto 'Dusae', José Cornélio Guterres and Arcangelo de Jesus Gouveia.

When making a decision about whether to enact or veto the budget proposal, the President of the Republic will take into consideration the opinions of the members of the Council of State as his political advisory body.

Present at the meeting were former President of the Republic José Ramos-Horta, Prime Minister Taur Matan Ruak and the president of National Parliament Arão Noé de Jesus da Costa Belo. The meeting was also attended by Eduardo de Deus Barreto "Dusae", Aurora Ximenes, José Cornélio Guterres, Arcangelo de Jesus Gouveia Leite and José dos Santos "Naimori Bukar", appointed by National Parliament, and Oscar Lima, Faustinho Godinho Gonçalves da Costa, Alcino de Araújo Barris, Maria Dadi Soares Magno and Laura Soares Abrantes, appointed by the President of the Republic. Former President of the Republic Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão and Faustinho Godinho Gonçalves da Costa could not attend the gathering.

The General State Budget Law for 2019, of \$ 2.1 billion was submitted to the President of the Republic on 24 December 2018. The Head of State has now thirty days to decide whether to enact or veto the diploma.

Between 7 and 10 January, the President of the Republic consulted with a number of entities, namely the Petroleum Fund Consultative Council, civil society organisations, law experts, scholars, religious denominations, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Timor-Leste and Timor-Leste Central Bank.

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