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LETTER DATED 7 MAY 1976 FROM THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
INDONESIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to communicate the enclosed text of an agreement relating to the joint efforts to be effected by the Indonesian Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross concerning the implementation of the distribution of grain and skimmed milk donated by the EEC for relief in East Timor. I would be grateful if Your Excellency would arrange for it to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) August MARPAUNG
Ambassador
Deputy Permanent Representative

Annex

Agreement between the head of the Indonesian Red Cross and
the Director of the International Committee of the Red Cross

Relating to the joint efforts to be effected by the Indonesian Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross concerning the implementation of the distribution of grain and skimmed milk donated by the EEC for relief in East Timor.

(1) Co-operation between the ICRC and the Indonesian Red Cross shall be fixed right from the start in relation to principles as much as to ways of implementation, in order that it shall be as effective as possible.

(2) The ICRC and the Indonesian Red Cross shall prepare, jointly and in consultation with the authorities concerned, a plan for the distribution of relief food supplies to be obtained by the ICRC from the EEC. This plan shall take into account the needs of the population of East Timor and the practical means required for the distribution.

(3) The plan shall be drawn up on the basis of the EEC's customary conditions, namely:

- Distribution Programme (ICRC Assessments of Needs): planned number and nature of recipients, quantities per recipient, places, frequency and mode of distribution, taking into account the specific circumstances on the spot.
- Distribution Report (ICRC Supervision of Distributions): actual details as above to be communicated one month after the arrival of the goods in Dili and every month thereafter until the items received are exhausted.

(4) In order that the plan might be submitted to the EEC in the shortest possible time, Mr. Serge Nessi, ICRC Delegate General for Asia, accompanied by Mr. Andre Pasquier, Regional Delegate, will, when they visit Jakarta, work out, together with the Indonesian Red Cross and the authorities concerned, the technical arrangements of the programme. Subject to approval by the authorities concerned, the ICRC Delegate(s) will then visit East Timor where they will have on-the-spot talks with the Provisional Government and with the respective representatives of the Indonesian Red Cross.

(5) By the time of arrival of the EEC relief supplies in Dili, an ICRC Delegate will be sent to East Timor to ensure the necessary liaison with both the Provisional Government of East Timor and the Indonesian Red Cross in relation to the distribution of food-stuffs.

(6) The ICRC will examine the best way to obtain the funds needed for financing this aid programme. The ICRC will submit a request (for financial assistance) to the EEC to cover any freight costs for shipping the goods donated by the EEC from Jakarta to Dili.

(7) Should the Indonesian Red Cross deem it useful to extend EEC aid to the refugees who are still in West Timor, similar plans will be examined jointly with the ICRC.

(8) The balance of funds already made available by various Governments and national societies shall be utilized by the Indonesian Red Cross in agreement and co-operation with the ICRC for the benefit of the people in need in East Timor.

(9) Any further contribution shall be used by the Indonesian Red Cross in accordance with usual Red Cross procedures.

Geneva, 4 May 1976
