First Meeting of the Joint Forum Switzerland, 23-24 June 2000

Directive No 1

I Preamble

The Joint Forum appreciates the overall effort and work of the Joint Committee on Humanitarian Action and the Joint Committee on Security Modalities, and is encouraged by the progress made to date.

The Joint Forum takes note of the Ground Rules of the Joint Committee on Humanitarian Action, the Ground Rules of the Joint Committee on Security Modalities, the Fixed Procedure of the Joint Committee on Security Modalities, and the Report of the Monitoring Team.

The Joint Forum renews its commitment to honour and fully respect the Joint Understanding for the Humanitarian Pause.

II Directives

As a result of two days of deliberations, members of the Joint Forum concur on the following points and give the following directives to the Joint Committees and the Monitoring Teams. In principle, the Ground Rules of the Joint Committee on Humanitarian Action, the Ground Rules of the Joint Committee on Security Modalities, the Fixed Procedure of the Joint Committee on Security Modalities signed by the members of the Joint Committees, are approved. The report submitted by the Monitoring Team is noted by the Joint Forum.

- A. On Ground Rules of the Joint Committee on Humanitarian Action: Chapter IV, Art. 6.2
 - a. While recognising the importance of the role of regional and international humanitarian assistance, the Joint Forum encourages full participation of local community in the implementation of humanitarian programmes, as stated in the Joint Understanding on Humanitarian Pause for Aceh.
 - b. The Joint Forum strongly recommends that the existing and future relief goods be coordinated by the Joint Committee on Humanitarian Action which will commission local institutions, such as PMI, for further distribution.

- B. On the Report of the Monitoring Team of the Joint Committee on Security Modalities
 - a. The Joint Forum appreciates the reports from the Joint Committee on Security Modalities and the Monitoring Team for Security Modalities, and encourages them to take inventory of the incidents and in the future submit a single coordinated report to the Joint Forum, which shall reflect all the incidents reported.
 - b. The Joint Forum commends the efforts of the Joint Committees in the resolution of incidents to date and urges the Joint Committee on Security Modalities and its Monitoring Team to take further active measures to resolve the incidents and report on this to the Joint Forum.
- C. The Joint Forum reiterates the exclusively humanitarian nature of the Humanitarian Pause and urges representatives of all parties to refrain from political action which may jeopardise the successful implementation thereof.

D. Administration

The Joint Committee approves of the role of UNDP in the establishment as soon as possible of two Trust Funds for 1) logistics and administration support and 2) humanitarian projects.

- a. The Joint Forum agrees that all members of the Joint Committees are entitled to financial and travel allowances as well as accident insurance related to their mandate. The rates shall be decided by UNDP in consultation with the donors.
- b. The Joint Forum encourages the Joint Committees to continue with the exercise of joint communication activities. The Joint Forum takes note of the proposal to establish a Media Centre and believes that the independence of such a Centre is imperative.

III Points submitted to the Joint Forum by the Joint Committee on Security Modalities

"Withdrawal of non-organic TNI/Polri from vital objects"
 The Joint Forum decides to suspend this item to a later stage, further to GAM's request for additional time to look into this matter internally.
 The Joint Forum also stresses the need to review developments in the field strictly in light of the provisions of the Joint Understanding on Humanitarian Pause for Aceh, and not in terms of expectations beyond the letter of the Joint Understanding.

2. "Withdrawal of Indonesian Armed Forces and GAM forces to barracks""
The Joint Forum concludes that this issue should be looked into once information regarding troop positions is available.

Also, the Joint Forum concludes that the Joint Committee on Security Modalities should elaborate on this matter, which should then be addressed to the Joint Forum discussions.

3. "Carrying gun"

The Joint Forum concludes that additional information is required in this matter and that the Joint Committee on Security Modalities should elaborate on the problem and send a detailed report.

4. "Cessation of all kinds of operation"

The Joint Forum agrees that the Government of Indonesia would seek information and advice on objectives and coverage of the "Cinta Meunasah" operation, and would inform the Joint Forum accordingly.

Also, the Joint Committee and the Monitoring Team are hereby requested to provide the Joint Forum with similar information and advise on problems arising from this operation, if any.

5. "Withdrawal of non-organic troops of Indonesia Armed Forces" The Joint Forum reconfirms that withdrawal of non-organic troops is not provided for by the Joint Understanding although it was a point of intensive negotiation

between the parties.

6. "Provision of information on position"

The Joint Forum agrees that this issue should be reviewed in one month's time.

IV Other

The Joint Forum tentatively agrees on the following dates for meetings of the Joint Forum:

29 July 2000 26 August 2000

The Joint Forum also agrees that one representative of each party from each Joint Committee should attend the next meeting of the Joint Forum as resource persons.

The Forum invites the Monitoring Teams to submit, by 15 July 2000, a substantial report on the basis of which the Joint Forum will decide whether an invitation should be extended to representatives of the Monitoring Teams to attend the next meeting of the Joint Forum.

The Joint Forum, 24 June 2000, Switzerland