

PRESS STATEMENT

On the results of the meeting of the
Commission on Security Arrangements (COSA)
(Banda Aceh, 27.08.2005)

The second meeting of the Commission on Security Arrangements (COSA) consisting of delegations of the Initial Presence of Aceh Monitoring Mission (AMM), the Government of Indonesia and the Free Aceh Movement (GAM) was held in a spirit of openness, full cooperation and the commitment to seek agreement on necessary arrangement for the upcoming steps of the implementation of the Helsinki agreement.

In the course of a very productive atmosphere COSA discussed inter alia the following topics:

- procedures with regard to the collection of weapons starting 15th September 2005,
- further steps towards the socialization of the Memorandum of Understanding to assure broad understanding of its content by the Acehnese population;
- aspects of relocation of non organic TNI and police personnel as well as its monitoring;
- AMM monitoring activities with regard to amnesty and the release of political prisoners;
- exchange of views on incidents that occurred after 15th August and reporting procedure in the future.

It was agreed that the next meeting of COSA will take place on Saturday, 3rd September 2005.