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UNHCR REQUESTED TO CONTINUE RECONCILIATION PROCESS

The East Timorese refugees still living in West Timor have addressed a letter to Belu District Administration requesting UNHCR to continue its reconciliation efforts through "go-and-see talks" and "socialisation." They have also requested that the Government of Indonesia resume financial assistance to refugees willing to return home and continue to pay those former civil servants their pension.

The District military commander, Colonel M. Moesanig, said that around 180 refugees in Belu have already registered for resettlement houses and that hundreds more will be relocated from the protected forest area of Tirta. Thirty-four refugees have returned since the beginning of this month.

