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**DSRSG TO MEET WITH JAPANESE DEFENCE MINISTER**

Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Sukehiro Hasegawa is schedule to meet Japan's Minister of Defense Major General Nakatani and Deputy Chief of Staff of the Ground Self-Defence Force, Lieutenant General Tstuomu tomorrow.

Following the meeting with Mr. Hasegawa, both men will visit the Headquarters of the Peacekeeping Force where they will receive an operations briefing and will also meet with PKF Defense Force Commander, Lt. General, Winai Phattiyakul.

In the afternoon they will visit the Japanese Engineering Group (JEG) camp in Tasi Tolu, Dili.

On Sunday the delegation will spend the day visiting the JEG camps at Oecussi, Suai and Maliana

General Nakatani and Lieutenant General Tstuomu are part of a delegation of 17, including 6 reporters from Japanese media agencies visiting East Timor from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> August.

