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THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE POPULAR CONSULTATION

The DSRSG, Sukehiro Hasegawa and President Gusmão will deliver a speech tomorrow at a ceremony in front of the Government building to mark the 3rd anniversary of the Popular Consultation of 30 August 1999.

The Government of East Timor has already issued its programme for the celebration.

HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING

Members of the East Timorese Special Policing Unit (SPU) underwent their third and final day of intensive human rights training in Dili yesterday. The course will be repeated six times to enable all SPU to attend. In Ermera, the first two-day human rights training course for ETPS began. Both training courses are jointly organised by the Human Rights Unit and UNPOL.

REFUGEES RETURNS

On Monday 476 refugees returned through the border of Batugade. On Tuesday another 450 refugees returnees came through the border town of Salele. This brought the number of returnees in the month of August to more than 2,800. Large numbers of refugees are expected over the coming weekend as the Government of Indonesia ceases its payment to refugees in West Timor on 31 August.

