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percentage of persons who should be paying this tax. There were currently 971,000 individual and corporate taxpayers in Indonesia. (SH/JP)

Mining and Energy Minister Subroto said that OPEC would discuss a Saudi proposal for a substantial cut in the price of crude oil. (RA)

Foreign Minister Mochtar said that Indonesia would not necessarily provide military aid if another ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) state were attacked. "We will cross that bridge when we come to it." Mochtar foresaw only incursions rather than attacks. Defense and Security Minister Gen. (Ret.) Poniman had told DPR Commission I that Indonesia had no policy to give military aid if another ASEAN member were attacked. (SH)

Mochtar also said that Indonesia wished the secret radio contact between Fretilin (Frente Revolucionaria de Timor-Leste Independent, Revolutionary Front for An Independent East Timor) in East Timor and a group of its supporters in Australia to be stopped immediately. This contact would just give false hope to Fretilin to continue to oppose the Indonesian government. "I don't know if this problem is regarded seriously or not by the Australian government.... We hope the Australian government will act as a friend of Indonesia." Mochtar didn't think it necessary to contact Australian Ambassador to Indonesia Bill Morrison about the matter. Mochtar revealed that Msgr. Carlos Felipe Ximenes Belo, "former" (bekas) head of the Catholic church in East Timor, had denied issuing statements (pernyataan-pernyataan) accusing Indonesia of behaving tyrannically (dengan sewenang-wenang) toward the people of East Timor. (There has been no announcement, much less Vatican confirmation, that Msgr. Belo has been recalled from his post. However, this is the first of several such references in the Indonesian-language press.) Msgr. Belo had sent a telegram to Mochtar via the Indonesian U.N. Mission in New York saying this. (Mochtar's remarks in KOMPAS do not make clear if this is Belo's early May telegram addressed to him or a second one, whereas JAKARTA POST writes as if there were two distinct telegrams.) Mochtar said Belo was very sad with all this because he felt it improper (sementaranya) to side with either the government or Fretilin. Belo was a well-meaning person. He was rightly upset because his name was used improperly. Mochtar denied reports of torture, murder, and starvation in East Timor. He said East Timor Governor Mario Carrascalao frequently received letters from his relatives in Portugal because reports reached there saying Dili was burning. (INDONESIA REPORTS has received information from a highly reliable source that Belo signed both the January 1, 1985 document and the telegram to Mochtar. It is not known if the January 1 document was released with Belo's knowledge, nor are the circumstances clear in which he sent the subsequent false "denial" telegram to Mochtar. See May 11 LOG entry.) Mochtar said there was a human rights organization in Indonesia (which he did not name), considered quite respected, which had criticized violations of human rights in secret reports (laporan rahasia) to the Indonesian government. "All this was done with a good aim, and we have taken steps for improvement." So the government was not opposed to criticisms, just wild stories without any basis. (This last comment appears only in SINAR HARAPAN. The story does not make clear if Mochtar is referring to the unnamed organization's criticisms of human rights abuses in East Timor. We know of no Indonesian human rights organization fitting Mochtar's description which has been allowed to visit East Timor. Any of several such organizations could have filed such reports on human rights abuses elsewhere in Indonesia.) (KO/JP/SH)

Australian Ambassador to Indonesia Maj. Gen. (Ret.) August Marpaung denied a report broadcast May 26 on national radio in Australia in which Mau Hunu Bulerek Karatainu, Deputy Chief of General Staff of Falintil (Forças Armadas de Libertacao Nacional de Timor, Armed Forces of National Liberation of Timor), alleged that four (named) Timorese were detained and then tortured in Los Palos District last