



MINISTER FOR STATE OWNED ENTERPRISES

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Dear Senator Dole,

We are requesting your assistance to the Government of Indonesia in connection with its effort to secure recognition of its rights under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act and other applicable laws of the United States in connection with the case of *Karaha Bodas Company L.L.C. vs P.T. Pertamina Persero*.

As we have discussed, the Government of Indonesia would appreciate your help in facilitating appropriate recognition of its rights to national assets that have been restrained in that matter and in securing a release of those funds at the earliest possible opportunity. We understand that a decision to move forward by you and the law firm of Alston & Bird LLP to represent us on this matter within the scope of the work you have undertaken on Indonesia's behalf first requires you to assess further the underlying facts and the parties involved. We would therefore be grateful if you could carry out such an assessment on an urgent basis. We would like you to consider taking the lead role in contacting the Department of State regarding Indonesia's sovereign interests in the funds that have been restrained in this case. We would then wish to work with you in taking such other steps to help us settle this matter as we may agree upon later. We are hopeful that through these actions you will be able to develop an approach that will lead to a prompt resolution of this ongoing problem.

We look forward to hearing from you soon and staying in close communication as this matter moves forward. Please feel free to contact me to discuss any aspect of this work.

Sincerely yours,



Laksamana Sukardi

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