

PRESS ADVISORY

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**PuBLiKa Quick Count in the First Governor Election
- North Sulawesi -**

---- On the 20th of June 2005, PuBLiKa will conduct a Quick Count of the first governor election in North Sulawesi. The Quick Count will project the results of election in North Sulawesi within 24 hours. NDI is supporting PuBLiKa in conducting a JURDIL Quick Count.

The result of an independent tabulation of the first governor election in North Sulawesi on the 20th June will be announced within 24 hours after the vote count at the polling stations. PuBLiKa (The Learning Center of Manado Across-Community) will conduct scientifically responsible Quick Count using statistical principles with support from the National Democratic Institute (NDI).

JURDIL is an election monitoring standard that is trusted as independent, accurate, and neutral. Developed during the three Indonesian Elections in 2004, the standard was developed by NDI and its partners, including LP3ES, Yappika and JAMPPI. It has been proven that the projection of vote counts on Election 2004 conducted by Jurdil partners were highly accurate.

The Quick Count methodology tracks not only the election results but offers a statistically valid overview of the quality of the election process. In addition to the Quick Count results, PuBLiKa will also release the result of a Voter Attitude Survey (VAS) conducted at the same time as the Quick Count. The survey will be able to map out the voter preference and why they voted for certain candidates.

PuBLiKa will deploy 325 volunteers in 325 polling stations, in 319 villages out of 1,254 villages, in 115 sub-districts (*kecamatan*) out of 118 sub-districts in 9 district (*kabupaten*) in North Sulawesi province. For the Voter Attitude Survey, PuBLiKa volunteers will interview around 3,250 respondents out of 1,522,244 voters in North Sulawesi. Sample points of polling stations are selected using statistical random sampling, weighted for the population distribution in North Sulawesi.

The PuBLiKa Quick Count result will be announced at a press conference on the morning of 21 June* in Bunaken Room, Hotel Ritzy Manado, Jl. Pierre Tendean, Manado, North Sulawesi unless results are available earlier. The Voter Attitude Survey results will be publicly announced on 22 and 23 June in the Commodore Room, Hotel Ritzy Manado. (* The final press conference schedule will be communicated through short messaging or SMS).

PuBLiKa (Pusat Belajar Lintas Komunitas Manado) adalah organisasi non pemerintah, nirlaba dan independen yang didirikan pada tahun 1999 bergerak pada sektor kebijakan publik. Selain itu pernah melakukan analisis anggaran daerah Kota samarinda dan anggaran daerah propinsi Kaltim. Pokja 30 telah melakukan survei perilaku pemilih pada pemilu legislatif 2004 dengan metode exit poll, selanjutnya melakukan survei persepsi dan preferensi pemilih terhadap program dan platform pada pemilu presiden dan wakil presiden pada putaran ke-2 di Kota Samarinda.

NDI (National Democratic Institute for International Affairs) is an independent, non-partisan, and non-profit organization based in Washington, D.C that has been working for more than twenty years to strengthen and expand democracy worldwide. Working with local partners, NDI has conducted Quick Count in more than two dozen countries, including Indonesia's National Elections in 2004. In relation to Regional Elections in 2005, NDI will work with local NGOs including Pokja 30 (Kutai Kartanegara, East Kalimantan), PuBLiKa (North Sulawesi) and Rector's Forum East Java (Surabaya, East Java).

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