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**LEGAL REGIME GOVERNING THE
CERTIFICATION AND REGISTRATION OF
CIVIL CONSTRUCTION AND TECHNICAL
CONSULTING COMPANIES**

The technical provisions which regulate the certification, registration and filing of civil construction companies in Timor-Leste have been inadequately enforced and interpreted

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Article Five

The Licensing and Supervising of Public Works

The execution of technical civil construction projects or works within the scope of article 4 above may not be undertaken without the prior appraisal and approval of the project and corresponding licence issued by the competent services of the Ministry of Infrastructures.

Article Six

Definitions

- f) *Construction*: project, the purpose of which is the design and characterisation of the equipment and installations indispensable for the functioning of the construction, notably the air conditioning system, mechanical accesses and fire detection and protection;
- g) *Demolition*: Project, the purpose of which is to define the demolition method which should be adopted and the precautionary measures vis-à-vis the stability and safety of the neighbouring constructions and people.

4. Types of project:

- a) *Construction*: the execution starting from scratch of any construction project corresponding to a project especially drawn up for the purpose;
- b) *Extension*: the execution of new floors in existing buildings or the addition of any surface area to its floors;
- c) *Conservation*: the execution of works with a view to maintaining construction in a good state of use;
- d) *Reinforcement*: the execution of works with a view to reinforcing the existing parts of a construction;
- e) *Modification*: the execution of works which in some way alter the initial project of an already concluded construction;
- f) *Reconstruction*: execution of a construction on the same site but in accordance with the original project;
- g) *Replacement*: execution of works on a construction aimed at replacing ruined parts, or deteriorated or malfunctioning elements;
- h) *Demolition*: destruction of part or of the whole existing construction.

CHAPTER II

CLASSIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION OF CIVIL CONSTRUCTION OR TECHNICAL CONSULTING COMPANIES

Article Seven

Classification Requirements

\$10,000.00 USD (ten thousand US dollars), equipped with the appropriate installations and equipment and having a duly qualified and certified technical staff;

3. The services of the Ministry of Infrastructures shall be responsible for the prior evaluation of the companies, which shall concern, namely, the economic and financial capacity of the company, the technical staff and their academic and professional qualifications and the type and amount of appropriate equipment necessary for

