**PLAIN LANGUAGE STATEMENT**

**Project title:** XXXXX

**Aim:** To understand the issues and impacts associated with small-scale mining in XXXX Indonesia.

The project is led by Charles Darwin University, Darwin, Australia, in partnership with Universitas Nusa Cendana, Kupang, and Universitas Halu Oleo, Kendari.

Artisanal and small scale mining activities in Indonesia has the potential to alleviate poverty, providing cash income for the poor. However concerns regarding the safety, health and breakdown of community and family structures have been reported recently in the Indonesian press and in public forums. The aim of this project is to understand the different social and environmental issues associated with mining and assess the impacts of mining on the livelihoods and health of participants. It will also build capacity to address the social and environmental impacts of mining though various project activities.

We are inviting farmers, miners, village heads, district government officers and non-government organisation (NGO) staff from selected regions in Indonesia to discuss their participation in and experiences of small-scale mining. This includes asking people about the benefits and problems associated with mining and the impacts on household livelihoods, health and the environment. The project will also investigate the governance arrangements concerning mining. These issues will be explored by conducting open-ended, semi-structured interviews and focus group discussions.

The project is a collaboration of Australian researchers from Charles Darwin University and the Australian National University, Indonesian Government agencies in two provinces (Nusa Tenggara Timur and South East Sulawesi) and two Indonesian universities (Universitas Nusa Cendana, UNDANA, and Universitas Halu Oleo, UHO).

There are no anticipated risks to participants as a result of participation in this research project. The methods of collecting data will be designed to inconvenience participants as little as possible. It is anticipated that the benefits in terms of informing improved management of mining practices will be greater than the inconvenience of taking part in data collection. People who are invited to participate do not have to participate and they can decide to withdraw from the discussions at any time.

The answers provided by participants will be recorded but they will be kept confidential. It will not be possible for other people to trace any comments to particular participants. This information will help us to understand the benefits and problems associated with mining in eastern Indonesia, and to discuss some options for reducing the negative impacts. A report will also be published in an academic journal. The information from participants will be kept for 7 years and then destroyed.
You can get more information about the project by contacting:

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This research has approval from the Charles Darwin University Human Research Ethics Committee. If you have any concerns about the project, you can contact the Executive Officer of the Charles Darwin University Human Research Ethics Committee on the toll free number, 1800 466 215 or by email; ethics@cdu.edu.au.

The Executive Officer can talk to the right people at the university on your behalf.
PROJECT TITLE: XXXXXX
JUDUL PROYEK: Pertambangan rakyat dan pertambangan skala kecil untuk pembangunan
(Kawasan Timur Indonesia)

I, .................................................................................................................................
Saya...........................................................................................................................

consent to participate in a study designed by researchers of Charles Darwin University.
Dengan ini menyetujui untuk berpartisipasi pada kegiatan penelitian yang dibuat oleh peneliti
Charles Darwin University.
I understand that the purpose of the study is:
Saya memahami bahwa tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah:
to understand the issues associated with small scale mining in eastern Indonesia
untuk memahami isu-isu yang terkait dengan pertambangan skala kecil di kawasan timur
Indonesia
I acknowledge that:
Saya menyatakan bahwa:
The aims, methods and anticipated benefits, and possible risks of the study, have been explained
to me by the researchers.
Tujuan, metode dan manfaat yang diharapkan, dan kemungkinan resiko dari penelitian ini, telah
dijelaskan kepada saya oleh seorang peneliti.

• I voluntarily and freely give my consent to my participation in this study
• Saya dengan sukarela dan secara bebas memberikan persetujuan saya untuk ikut berpartisipasi
  pada penelitian ini.
• I voluntarily and freely give my consent for all interviews to be recorded (in written, video-
  recorded and audio-recorded forms)
• Saya dengan sukarela dan secara bebas memberikan persetujuan saya untuk semua wawancara
direkam (dalam bentuk tertulis, direkam-video dan direkam-audio)
• I understand that aggregated (group) results will be reported in academic journals
• Saya memahami bahwa hasil-hasil penelitian yang dikumpulkan akan dilaporkan dalam jurnal
  akademis.
• Individual results will not be given to any person except at my request and on my authorisation
• Hasil penelitian secara individual tidak akan diberikan kepada siapapun kecuali atas permintaan
  saya dan atas perettujuan saya.
• I am free to withdraw my consent at any time during the study, in which event my participation
  in the research study will immediately cease, and any information obtained will be returned to
  me or destroyed at my request.
• Saya bebas untuk menarik persetujuan saya setiap saat selama penelitian ini, yang mana
  partisipasi saya pada kegiatan penelitian ini akan segera dihentikan, dan semua informasi yang
  di ambil akan di kembalikan kepada saya atau dihancurkan atas permintaan saya.
Signature:.................................................................
Tanda tangan:...........................................................

Date:......................
Tanggal:.................

If you have any questions about the meaning of this form, or about the use or exclusion of any particular information you provide, please contact <contact name> or phone +61889466XXX or SMS +61408XXXXXX
Apabila ada yang kurang jelas yang berkaitan dengan formulir ini, atau apabila Anda ingin bagian informasi tertentu untuk tidak dipakai dalam penelitian ini, silahkan hubungi <nama> lewat email ke max.smart@cdu.edu.au atau telpon +61889466XXX atau SMS +61408XXXXXX.

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Untuk pertanyaan lebih lanjut, silahkan anda menghubungi Pejabat Eksekutif dari Komite Etik Penelitian Manusia Charles Darwin University, pada nomor bebas pulsa, 1800 466 215 atau lewat email, (ethics@cdu.edu.au). Pejabat Eksekutif dapat berbicara dengan orang yang tepat di universitas atas nama Anda.