



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Earthquake in Mentawai Island Province of West Sumatera, Indonesia**

On 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 14.42 GMT, a 7.2-richter scale earthquake struck the region of Mentawai Island, West Sumatera Province, at the depth of ten kilometers. The earthquake generated three meter-high tsunami wave reaching 400 meters to the land which gradually subsided at 20.00 GMT.

Governor of West Sumatera on 26<sup>th</sup> October stated that the catastrophe caused 112 dead and 502 more missing, while hundreds of houses, buildings and public facilities damaged.

Based on the information from the Task Force of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia, 23 Australian, 1 USA, 1 Brazilian, 1 Japanese and 1 Portuguese citizens survived during the catastrophe.

At the present, the Government of the Republic of Indonesia has been extending assistance to the casualties.

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Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia

