

Regulations concerning the Land Fighting Forces in Indonesia under Netherlands command after the transfer of sovereignty provide, among other things, that they shall be withdrawn or reorganized as soon as possible.

The Forces awaiting shipment, or undergoing reorganization, shall not be used for any operation unless by request of the Government of the R.I.S., and during this time they shall have the status of guests of a friendly government.

An opportunity shall be afforded to suitable members of the Forces to be transferred to the Forces of the R.I.S.

Reorganization shall take place within six months from the date of publication of the conditions of enlistment into the Armed Land Forces of the R.I.S., and once the reorganization has been completed, the Royal Netherlands Indies Army shall cease to exist.

Regulations concerning the Air Fighting Forces in Indonesia under Netherlands command after the transfer of sovereignty provide, among other things, that:

- (a) The Air Fighting Forces shall be withdrawn.
- (b) Aid, in the nature of personnel and matériel, will be lent to the extent that the R.I.S. is not then able to carry out its tasks with its own means.
- (c) Aid, in the form of a Section of the Netherlands Military Mission, will be given to build up the Air Force of the R.I.S. as quickly as possible.
- (d) Completion of the reorganization of the Air Fighting Forces within six months is to be aimed at.

Netherlands Military Mission

The task of this mission, which is to last three years unless terminated or extended, is to co-operate with the R.I.S. in building up and training their fighting forces, and to act as advisers on military matters. A naval section, an army section, and an air force section make up the mission; its costs are to be borne by the R.I.S.

Nationality and Citizenship

The transfer of sovereignty in Indonesia naturally will produce some confusion regarding nationality. To regulate the situation, a detailed agreement has been drawn up. The basic principle is that Netherlands retain Netherlands citizenship and Indonesians assume Indonesian citizenship unless they declare otherwise within a stipulated time. The time stipulated for persons already of age (18 years) is two years after the transfer of sovereignty. Subsequently, the choice of nationality must be made within six months of attaining majority.

The class of Netherlands who may choose Indonesian nationality are those born in Indonesia or those who have resided in Indonesia for more than six months. Similar provisions permit Indonesians born or resident in the