EXPERIENCED PROSECUTOR NEEDED TO SERVE AS A RESIDENT LEGAL ADVISOR IN EAST TIMOR

The Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT), Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to fill the position of Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) for East Timor. The RLA will be stationed in Dili, East Timor, beginning in the fall of 2008. This assignment is for a term of 15 months, with the possibility of an extension for an additional 12 months, contingent on available funding. (This is a reimbursable detail.)

The RLA represents the Department of Justice and OPDAT in the implementation of an OPDAT justice sector assistance program. During his or her tenure, the RLA will provide assistance regarding a variety of criminal justice projects including improving prosecutorial skills, providing institutional support to the Prosecutor General to develop case management systems, supporting efforts to investigate and prosecute acts of corruption, promoting legislative initiatives designed to improve the operation of the criminal justice system, and strengthening human rights protections by police and prosecutors through support for implementation of the new criminal procedure code. During his or her tenure, the selected attorney will work closely with local law enforcement and government officials, including prosecutors, judges, parliamentarians, and others to develop and carry out the justice sector assistance program.

Applicants must have excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive prosecutorial experience. Applicants must be fluent in Portuguese or Spanish, that is, be able to understand all forms and styles of speech, use spoken Portuguese or Spanish fluently and accurately on all levels normally pertinent to professional needs, and be proficient in written Portuguese or Spanish. Spanish speakers will undergo three months of conversion Portuguese language as part of this detail. Applicants should also be able to work with diverse types of individuals and groups and achieve consensus on difficult and multidimensional issues. In addition, international experience, particularly gained working with foreign law enforcement and justice systems, and experience with bar activities, teaching, and designing course curricula are strongly desired assets.

Interested applicants should send a resume and cover letter, as soon as possible to the attention of Christopher Lehmann, Senior Regional Director for Eurasia, Asia and the Pacific, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT), 10th and Pennsylvania Avenues, N.W., Washington, DC 20530. Faxed or e-mailed submissions are also acceptable. Mr. Lehmann's fax number is (202) 616-8429 and his email address is Christopher.Lehmann@usdoj.gov. Mr. Lehmann will also accept telephone inquiries at 202-307-0421. Applicants should obtain the concurrence of their Section Chief, Office Director, or U.S. Attorney prior to submitting an application.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.