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In this issue...

of the *Van Zorge Report on Indonesia* our **Feature** article discusses corporate social responsibility and a new law that if implemented will make CSR programmes mandatory. The legislation has already faced some stiff criticism from the investment community. Our contributor, Jennifer Bennett, explains why.

In the **From the Editor** section, editor-in-chief James Van Zorge takes a poignant look back at the tragedy of the September 11 attacks. He also comments on the recent Supreme Court verdict that found US magazine *Time* guilty of defaming ex-president Soeharto.

Intelligence details a rumour that current National Police chief Sutanto is frustrated with his job and is angling to become a government minister. On a lighter note, we examine some possible reasons why tourism is improving in Aceh. Could it be because of sharia law?

Our **In Brief** section goes into greater detail about the *Time*-Soeharto verdict and the men who made it happen. We also examine why the Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle chose 2004 election loser Megawati Soekarnoputri to run again in 2009. Finally, we look at the close relationship between two Islamist groups—one peaceful and one militant.

We hope that you find this issue useful and of interest to yourself and your colleagues. Please feel free to contact us here at the *Report* if you have any comments or suggestions; we are genuinely grateful for your feedback.

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