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In this issue...

of the *Van Zorge Report on Indonesia*, we present a feature article by our guest contributor, respected journalist John McBeth. Beginning with a focus on the politics behind the construction of a new oil refinery on Java, the implications of the deal are teased out for Indonesia's diplomatic balancing act between the US, Iran and Venezuela.

In the **From the Editor** section, Editor-in-Chief James Van Zorge looks behind the rhetoric of the government's investment policies.

In Brief presents an analysis of Finance Minister Sri Mulyani's comments on the World Bank, the prospects of active members of the military regaining the vote in the next elections, the development of the corruption case against Minister of Justice and Human Rights Hamid Awaluddin and the execution of the Poso Three.

This week in **Intelligence** we peek behind the scenes of President Yudhoyono's office and his relationship with controversial Coordinating Minister for People's Welfare Aburizal Bakrie. We also detail changes at the top in the National Intelligence Agency, give an update on the Aceh Governor race and an accusation of corruption against DPR speaker Agung Laksono.

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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