

FOREWORD

This volume, comprising annotated bibliographies on Minahasa and Bolaangmongondow, is one of a series prepared in the framework of the Indonesian Studies Programme. The Programme was initiated in 1975 with the aim of promoting Indonesian-Dutch cooperation in the field of the social sciences and humanities. From the start, the Programme envisaged the provision of facilities for documentation and library activities as one means of furthering research and training. The objective of the bibliographical part of the Programme, the responsibility for which lay mainly with the Dutch partner, is to list pre-war published sources on selected Indonesian regions kept in Dutch libraries.

The annotated bibliography on Madura, which was the first to appear in the series, is now followed by the bibliographies on Minahasa and Bolaangmongondow. Large areas of eastern Indonesia will further be covered by a bibliography on Halmahera and surrounding islands, to be published in 1981, and at a later stage by one on Flores and one on the central Moluccas. A bibliography on the southern Moluccas (*kabupaten Maluku Tenggara*) is planned as a project of the Free University at Amsterdam.

Hopefully, these bibliographies will fulfil their function as tools for better accessibility of the older material relevant for regional studies, both for educational purposes and as a source for library acquisition in Indonesia.

The Office of Indonesian Studies will welcome any critical remarks the users of this work may wish to make.

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