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## Habema's Social Communication Roused The Enthusiasm Of Sralala Children

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NDUGA- One of the military units under the command of the Indonesian Armed Forces Operational Command HABEMA, the Task Forces of the Para Raider Infantry Battalion 503/Mayangkara Kostrad, is currently conducting mobile security at the border of Indonesia and Papua New Guinea, especially in Nduga Regency, Papua Pegunungan Province. On Monday, 16 September 2024, the

503 Task Forces, especially the Kotis Kenyam Post led by Lieutenant Colonel Gurbasa Samosir, conducted Social Communication (Komsos) with Elementary School students from Sralala Village, Kenyam District while performing the routine task of maintaining the areal security.

In his emphasis on the Soldiers, LtCol Gurbasa Samosir, Commander of the 503 Task Force, conveyed the importance of the Task Force's attention to the basic necessities of the community around the Post. Therefore, on that Monday, the Soldiers of Kotis Kenyam Post took advantage of their routine task by interacting and communicating with some children of the Elementary School students from Sralala Village. The interaction occurred when the children were returning home from their school session.

While maintaining their focus on security, the Soldiers took the opportunity to communicate in harmony with the children. The response from the children was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing their big smiles and laughs. One of the children, Markus Tabuni, described his impression by saying, "Thank you, Soldiers. God bless", a powerful testament to the strong bond between the children and the Task Forces. This heartwarming response from the children underscores the impact of the Task Forces' efforts, as well as the unity and support in the assigned area.

After receiving the activity report, the HABEMA Commanding General, Brigadier General Lucky Avianto, acknowledged the 503 Task Forces' initiative to hold social communication with children of Sralala village. His words: "The 503 Task Forces' initiative is a testament to TNI's commitment to conduct inclusive social communication with all stakeholders to support the acceleration of development in the Papua region." This acknowledgment from the highest authority in HABEMA underscores the significant impact of such initiatives on the region's development. It instills profound hope and optimism about their potential to shape the region's future positively. It makes the Task Forces and the community feel recognized and appreciated for their efforts.

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