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## Emondi Residents Celebrate Unity Through TNI's Social Communication Initiative

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INTAN JAYA- A heartwarming interaction unfolded on Saturday, December 14, 2024, as the Infantry Battalion Task Force (Satgas Yonif) Raider 509/Balawara Yudha Kostrad, part of the HABEMA Operation Command in Papua, held a Social Communication (Komsos) activity in Emondi Village, Sugapa District, Central Papua Province. This initiative, carried out alongside their security mission, showcased the TNI's commitment to fostering harmony and addressing community needs in the operational area.

Lieutenant Colonel Inf Dian Dessiawan Setyadi, Commander of Satgas Yonif 509 Kostrad, underlined the importance of this dual role. "Beyond maintaining security, our presence must create a positive impact by addressing the basic needs of the communities around us," he stated.

During the Komsos activity, the TNI soldiers engaged with Emondi residents to discuss the local security situation, which has been largely peaceful and stable. This dialogue reflected a bond of trust and collaboration between the soldiers and the community.

Mr. Simon, a respected community leader, expressed his appreciation for the soldiers' efforts. "The presence of TNI soldiers in our village brings us peace and a sense of care. They are not only here to protect us but to truly understand our needs. We are deeply grateful," he said with heartfelt emotion.

The interaction also served as a platform for the residents to voice their aspirations and seek solutions to their challenges. This aligns with the TNI's broader mission of inclusive engagement and its dedication to advancing Papua's development.

Brigadier General TNI Lucky Avianto, Commander of HABEMA, lauded the initiative, stating, "Satgas Yonif 509 Kostrad's efforts exemplify the essence of TNI's mission—to foster inclusive dialogue and collaboration for the betterment of communities in Papua. Such actions are crucial to accelerating regional development and ensuring peace."

The Komsos event in Emondi Village stands as a testament to the TNI's unwavering dedication to serving as both protectors and partners in the pursuit of a brighter and more harmonious Papua.

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