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Calendar

Declaration of Independence of Timor-Leste November 28, 1975-2011

November 28, 2011 marked the 36th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste. To celebrate His Excellency President Dr. Ramos-Horta, Nobel Prize winner, held a ceremony in Dili, Timor-Leste where Dr. Lee Joong Keun, Founder and President of Booyoung Group received a Medal of Merit by the Order of Timor-Leste. For information about Dr. Keun click here.

For the video of the Ceremony and more please visit the <u>President's website</u>.

November 12

Santa Cruz Massacre

Twenty years ago, on November 12, 1991 a group of young activist pro-independence in Dili, Timor-Leste were in the Santa Cruz Cemetery for a Memorial service in honor of their compatriot Sebastiao Gomes, organized by H. E. Ambassador Constancio Pinto and other fellow activists when they were massacred by the Indonesian army.

For H.E. Ambassador input in on these heartfelt day please click <u>here</u>.

For more information on the Santa Cruz massacre click here.

H.E. Prime Minister Xanana Gusmao at the Annual Bali Democratic Forum IV



Photo by: Republic of Indonesia Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

December 8, 2011 was marked by the **Annual Bali Democracy Forum IV** where His Excellency Prime Minister Kay Rala Xanana Gusmao were a guest speaker.

For His Excellency Prime Minister Xanana Gusmao address please <u>click here</u>.

UNMIT Report to the United Nation Security Council "The Situation on Timor-Leste"

On Tuesday, 22 of November 2011, Ms. Ameerah Haq, Special Representative for Timor-Leste and Head of the United Nation Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT) and H.E. Zacarias Albano Da Costa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Timor-Leste presented the Report of the Secretary-General on the UNMIT "The Situation in Timor-Leste". to the United Nation Security Council.

For the video of Ms. Haq briefing please click here.

Australia to expand guest workers scheme

For more information click

Facts & Figures

Timor-Leste is slightly larger than the state of Connecticut.

For more geographical information please visit

the World FACTBOOK

Did you know?

Two Timorese runners joint New York Marathon. Both made it into the finish line.



May the peace and joy of the holiday season be with you throughout the coming year

Ambassador Constancio and Mrs. Gabriela Pinto



Timorese Community & ETAN support the runners in New York City

Consular Information

For information on visa application please write to: informacao@migracao.gov.tl or visit Timor-Leste's Immigration Web site.

If you are a Timorese citizen currently living or studying in the United States and have not yet registered at the embassy, please do so by filling up the registration form and send it together with other required documents to Timor-Leste's Embassy in Washington D.C. The registration form and detailed information on required documents can be found at Consular Section at TL's Embassy in US Web site.