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**SUA EXCELENCIA SENHORA PRESIDENTE DA ASSEMBLEIA GERAL DA ONU
SUA EXCELENCIA SENHOR SECRETARIO GERAL DA ONU
EXCELENCIAS
DISTINTOS-DELEGADOS,**

1-PERMITA-ME EM NOME DO PRESIDENTE, GOVERNO E EM NOME DO POVO DE TIMOR-LESTE SAUDAR A SUA ELEICAO PARA PRESIDIR A 61 SESSAO DA ASEMBLEIA GERAL DA ONU.

A SUA EXPERIENCIA E COMPETENCIA DIPLOMATICA GARANTIRA O SUCESSO DESTA SESSAO..

2-GOSTARIA TAMBEM DE FELICITAR O SEU ANTECESSOR SUA EXCELENCIA JAN ELIASSON, DA SUECIA PELO PAPEL FULCRAL QUE DESEMPENHOU NA REFORMA DA ONU, INCLUINDO NA CRIACAO DO CONSELHO DE DIREITOS E COMISSAO PARA A CONSOLIDACAO DA PAZ.

3-GOSTARIA DE ESTENDER ESTAS FELICITACOES TAMBEM A SUAS EXCELENCIAS OS SENHORES REPRESENTANTES PERMANENTES E AOS SEUS PERITOS PELA SUAS POSITIVAS CONTRIBUICOES DURANTE AS LONGAS E ARDUAS NEGOCIACOES. QUERIA TAMBEM ESTENDER AS NOSSAS FELICITACOES AO SUA EXCELENCIA SENHOR EMBAIXADOR DE ANGOLA GASPAR MARTINS PELA SUA ELEICAO COMO PRESIDENTE DA COMISSAO DE CONSOLIDACAO DA PAZ.

4-PERMITA-ME TAMBEM ESTENDER AS FELICITACOES DE TIMOR LESTE E DO SEU POVO AO GOVERNO E AO POVO DE MONTENEGRO PELA SUA ADMISSAO COMO MEMBRO DAS NACOES UNIDAS.

**EXCELENCIAS
DISTINTOS DELEGADOS,**

5-NO INICIO DESTA SESSAO UM GRANDE FILHO DA AFRICA E DO MUNDO SUA EXCELENCIA KOFI ANNAN FEZ O SEU ULTIMO RELATORIO ENQUANTO SECRETARIO GERAL DA NOSSA ORGANIZACAO. NO COMPLICADO CENARIO INTERNACIONAL DOS ULTIMOS DEZ ANOS ELE E A SUA EQUIPA CONTRIBUIRAM SIGNIFICATIVAMENTE PARA O AVANCO DOS NOBRES IDEAIS DAS NACOES UNIDAS NO MUNDO, INCLUINDO A SUA DECISIVA CONTRIBUICAO PARA A INDEPENDENCIA E LIBERTACAO DO MEU PAIS TIMOR-LESTE. O NOSSO POVO JAMAIS ESQUECERA O SEU APOIO DECISIVO .E DESEJAMOS MUITOS SUCESSOS PARA ELE E PARA A EXMA SRA NANE ANNAN, A QUEM QUEREMOS HONRAR PELO PAPEL QUE TAMBEM DESEMPENHOU NO REFORCO DO PAPEL DA MULHER NO MUNDO.E PELA SUA COMPAIXAO POR TODOS AQUELES QUE SOFREM.

**SENHORA PRESIDENTE
DISITNTOS DELEGADOS,**

**6-NO MES DE JULHO O PRIMEIRO MINISTRO DO PEIMEIRO GOVERNO
CONSTITTUCIONAL MARI ALKATIRI DEMITIU-SE E EM SEU LUGAR
CONSTITUIU-SE UM NOVO GOVERNO SOB A CHEFIA DO PRIMEIRO MINISTRO
JOSE RAMOS HORTA.**

**7-DESDE A INDEPENDENCIA EM MAIO 2002 ATE JULHO DESTE ANO, FORAM
CONSEGUIDAS AVANCOS SIGNIFICATIVOS NA CONSTRUCAO DAS
INSTITUICOES DE ESTADO E NA CRIACAO DE CONDICOES BASICAS PARA
FACILITAR O INVESTIMENTO NACIONAL E INTERNACIONAL. O NOVO
PRIMEIRO MINISTRO NA SUA INTERVENCAO NO PARLAMENTO NACIONAL
REITEROU A SUA DETERMINACAO EM LEVAR A CABO ALEM DE OUTROS OS
SEGUINTE OBJECTIVOS:**

1-RECONCILIACAO COMUNITARIA

**2-CONSOLIDACAO DA SEGURANCA E REFORMA DAS INSTITUICOES DA
DEFESA E DA SEGURANCA.**

3-ELEICOES LEGISLATIVAS E PRESENDICIAIS;

**4-REDUCAO DA PROBREZA E CRESCIMENTO ECONOMICO E INVESTIMENTO
NAS AREAS RURAIS.**

5-BOA GOVERNACAO

**6-FINALIZACAO DA DEMARECACAO DA FRONTEIRA TERRESTRE COM A
REOUBLICA DA INDONESIA E**

7-RATIFICACAO DO ACORDO DO "GREATER SUNRISE" COM A AUSTRALIA.

**8-O GOVERNO CONTINUARA A TRABALHAR PARA A IMPLEMENTACAO DO
PLANO DO DESENVOLVIMENTO NACIONAL INICIADO PELO PRIMEIRO
GOVERNO CONSTITUCIONAL E CUMPRIR COM AS METAS TRACADAS
DURANTE A CIMEIRA DO MILENIO EM 2002.**

**NO PLANO POLITICO O GOVERNO JUNTAMENTE COM A PRESIDENCIA DA
REPUBLICA O PARLAMENTO NACIONAL, OS PARTIDOS POLITICOS AS
INSTTUICOES RELIGIOSAS E A SOCIEDADE CIVIL E TRADICIONAL NO
SENTIDO DE REGANHARMOS A CONFIANCA PERDIDA NAS INSTITUICOES DE
ESTADO.**

**9-AINDA ONTEM O CHEFE DO GOVERNO DR RAMOS HORTA ENONTRU-SE
COM OS REPRESENTANTES DOS MEMBROS DAS FORCAS ARMADAS QUE
FORAM EXPULSOS, OS CHAMADOS PETICIONARIOS; PARA MAIS UMA VEZ
BUSCAR UMA SOLUCAO QUE ESTEJA DE ACORDO COM AS LEIS DO PAIS E QUE
SEJA TAMBEM ACEITE POR DIVERSAS PARTES ENVOLVIDAS NESTA
SITUACAO.**

**10-O GOVERNO DE TIMOR-LESTE, ESTA DETERMINADO EM PROSSEGUIR COM
A REORGANIZACAO DAS INSTITUICOES NACIONAIS DE DEFESA E**

SEGURANCA, NOMEADAMENTE AS FALINTIL-FDTL E A POLICIA NACIONAL DE TIMOR-LESTE.

11-A POLICIA NACIONAL DE TIMOR-LESTE E A INSTITUICAO A QUEM CABE A PROMOCAO DA LEI E ORDEM INTERNA, DESINTEGROU-SE PARCIALMENTE DURANTE A RECENTE CRISE. O PRIMEIRO GRUPO DE 25 MEMBROS DA PNTL RESUMIU AS SUAS FUNCOES ESTA SEMANA SOB ORIENTACAO DA POLICIA DAS NACOES UNIDAS EM TIMOR-LESTE. A RECONSTITUICAO COMO UMA FORCA PROFISSIONAL, NAO PARTIDARIA E CRITICA PARA A ESTABILIDADE NACIONAL.

12-COMO LIDERES POLITICOS, DE UM NOVO PAIS, RECONHECEMOS QUE NEM TODAS AS DECISOES QUE TOMAMOS FORAM AS MAIS ACERTADAS E OUTRAS CRIARAM DESCONTENTAMENTOS E ORIGINARAM AS MANIFESTACOES DE ABRIL E MAIO E JUNHO E JULHO. DESTE ANO.

13-ESTAMOS TODOS INTERESADOS EM FAZERMOS UMA REFLEXAO, PROFUNDA E HONESTA, SOBRE AS CAUSAS DESTA CRISE. SUA EXCELENCIA O PRESIDENTE DA REPUBLICA XANANA GUSMAO, SUA EXELECIA O PRIMEIRO MINISTRO CONJUNTAMENTE COM OS LIDERES DA IGREJA CATOLICA E DE OUTRAS DSEMINACOES RELIGIOSAS, CO ORGANIZARA UMA CONFERENCIA NACIONAL BASEADA NOS NOSSOS VALORES CULTURAIS E NOSSA TRADICAO E NA QUAL PARTICIPARAO, VARIOS INTERLOCUTORES, INCLUINDO A SOCIEDADE CIVIL E TRADICIONAL.

**MADAME PRESIDENT
DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES**

14-AS A POST CONFLICT COUNTRY WE HAVE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED A RELAPSE OF VIOLENCE, DUE TO INSTITUTIONAL FAILURES OF OUR DEFENCE AND POLICE FORCE, HIGH LEVEL UNEMPLOYMENT AND WRONG POLITICAL DECISIONS THAT WE TOOK AS LEADERS OF A NEW COUNTRY. AS RESULTS OF THE VIOLENCE WE HAD ALMOST 150 THOUSAND INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS AND ALMOST ONE HUNDRED DEATHS. CONSEQUENTLY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, H.E. XANANA GUSMAO, H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE PARLIAMENT, FRANCISCO LU OLO AND H.E. THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT H.E. MARI ALKATIRI, HAD TO REQUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL HELP.

15-IMMEDIATELY OUR CLOSEST NEIGBOURS, THE UNITED NATIONS, MEMBERS OF ASEAN, THE CPLP-PORTUGUESE SPEAKING COUNTRIES COMMUNITY AND MEMBERS OF THE PACIFIC FORUM ISLANDS EXTENDED THEIR SUPPORT IN A VARIETY OF WAYS.

16-WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, PORTUGAL AUSTRALIA, NEW ZELAND, JAPAN, CHINA, UNITED STATES OF AMERFICA, KOREA, KUWAIT, THE COMMUNITY OF PROTUGUESE

SPEAKING COUNTRIES (CPLP), THE EUROPEAN UNION AND CUBA AND MANY OTHER COUNTRIES FOR THEIR INVALUABLE SUPPORT DURING THE RECENT CRISIS IN TIMOR-LESTE.

17-WE ALSO WELCOME THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY BY H.E. SECRETARY- GENERAL KOFI ANNAN, TO STUDY THE EVENTS SURROUNDING THE CRISIS AND THE ALLEGATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.

WE COMMEND THE MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF UNMIT PURSUANT TO RES 1704/2006. WE PRAISE ALL UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES CURRENTLY BASED IN TIMOR LESTE; WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT OUR RESPONSE TO THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN AS SUCCESSFUL AS IT IS TODAY

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18-THE GOVERNMENT IS FULLY AWARE THAT RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE NEED TO BE HAND IN HAND WITH DEVELOPMENT.

THIS FISCAL YEAR BUDGET WAS INCREASED BY 122%;

IT FOCUSED ON THE JOB CREATION NOT ONLY IN TOWNS BUT FUNDAMENTALLY IN RURAL AREAS, WHERE THE MAJORITY OF OUR POPULATION LIVES. IT IS A PRO POOR BUDGET.

19- WE HOPE THAT THIS NEW ECONOMIC POLICY COMBINED WITH POLICIES OF RECONCILIATION AND DIALOGUE WILL HELP DIFUSE THE TENSION AND WILL BRING COMMON UNDERSTANDING AND WILL REINVIGORATE THE TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN OUR COMMON AND SHARED FUTURE.

20-AS IN DIFFICULT TIMES IN THE PAST WE ARE DETERMINED TO SUCCEED AND BRING TO THE PEOPLE OF TIMOR-LESTE, ONCE AGAIN THE STABILITY AND PEACE THAT WE NEED TO DEVELOP OUR COUNTRY AND IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF OUR PEOPLE. TO HELP ACHIEVE THIS GOAL WE ALSO NEED THE SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN ORDER TO HELP ORGNIZE AND SUPERVISE THE UPCOMING FIRST LEGISLATIVE AND PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN OUR COUNTRY. A FREE, TRANSPARENT AND FAIR ELECTION WILL DEFINITELY PAVE THE WAY FOR A STABLE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT.

**MADAME PRESIDENT,
DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES**

21-IN THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA, WE HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN VIOLENCE, WARS AND INTOLERANCE.

22-LAST WEEK IN THIS ASSEMBLY ON 21ST OF SEPTEMBER 2006 THE PRESIDENT OF PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY H.E. MAHAMOUD ABBAS, MADE AN APPEAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO NOT LET THE OLIVE BRANCH FALL FROM HIS HAND. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY NEEDS TO CONTINUE ITS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE FORCES OF PEACE AND MODERATION IN PALESTINE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY MOHAMED ABBAS, AND TO ENGAGE THE ELECTED PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO FIND WAYS TO GUARANTEE A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC PALESTINE LIVING SIDE BY SIDE WITH THE STATE OF ISRAEL IN PEACE AND HARMONY.

23-AFTER MANY YEARS OF CONFLICT AND VIOLENCE THE PEOPLE OF LEBANON NEED A PEACEFUL ENVIRONMENT; WE HOPE THAT THE ARRIVAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FORCES WILL HELP PROTECT ITS SOVEREIGNTY AND ITS TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY.

IN DARFUR-SUDAN WE REQUIRE THE SUSTAINED ATTENTION OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN ORDER TO BRING TO THE PEOPLE OF SUDAN THE PEACE AND STABILITY THAT THEY NEED.

ON WESTERN SAHARA WE BELIEVE THAT A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF MOROCCO AND THE LEADERS OF THE POLISARIO FRONT WILL HELP FIND A SOLUTION ACCORDING TO RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS.

24-AS A SMALL COUNTRY WE BELIEVE THAT MULTILATERALISM, DIALOGUE, NEGOTIATIONS, DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, THE RESPECT FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER AND THE RESPECT FOR EACH OTHERS CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS VALUES ARE THE BEST ANSWER FOR TODAY'S CHALLENGES AND INTOLERANCE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ALL THE INITIATIVES SUCH INTERFAITH COOPERATION AND DIALOGUE AMONGST CIVILIZATIONS.

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25-AFTER THE MONTEREY-MEXICO CONFERENCE IN MARCH 2002 MANY INITIATIVES WERE TAKEN IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. ONE OF THESE IS THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT.

THIS YEAR TIMOR-LESTE WAS SELECTED AS A THRESHOLD COUNTRY AND WE ARE WORKING WITH MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION MEMBERS IN ORDER TO BENEFIT FROM THIS GRANT FUNDS.

26-WE COMMEND H.E. PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH HIS ADMINISTRATION, THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND OUR FRIENDS IN THE

HOUSE AND IN THE SENATE FOR THIS GREAT INITIATIVE; IT WILL DEFINETELY HELP REDUCED POVERTY AND TO DEVELOP OUR AND OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD.

27-WE COMMEND THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ITS COMMISION PRESIDENT, DR. DURAO BARROSO, FOR ITS CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND FOR TIMOR-LESTE.

28-AS A LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRY AND MEMBER OF THE 77 GROUP AND CHINA, WE SHARE THE COMMON VIEW THAT THE ALLOCATION OF 0.7 % OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO THE OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE IS CRUCIAL, NOT ONLY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE SOUTH, BUT ALSO TO MAINTAIN THE STABILITY, PEACE AND PROGRESS IN THE WORLD.

29-WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE RECENT INITIATIVE OF BRASIL AND FRANCE TO TAX AIR TRAVEL IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO FINANCING DEVELOPMENT.

**IN CONCLUSION
DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES**

30- I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS IN TETUM, OUR NATIONAL LANGUAGE.

31- AMI HAKARAK HASA 'E LIA BA ITA BOOT TOMAK KATAK RAI TIMOR NO NIA EMA, LARAN HAKSOLOK TANBA ITA BOOT S NO MOOS NAI ULUN TOMAK NIA TULUN , BA AMI IHA SUSAR NIA LARAN.

31-(WE WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE OUR THANKS TO ALL OF YOU AND TO YOUR PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT FOR YOUR SUPOORT DURING THE CRISIS).

32-HAU HAKARAK HUSU BA NA'I MAROMAK ATU TULUN NAFATIN ITA BOOT SIRA, NAI ULUN HOTU, NO MOS RAI NO EMA TOMAK.

32- (I PRAY TO GOD TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT YOU, YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOUR PEOPLE).

THANK YOU