

The following resolution was passed at the Australian Labor Party National Conference held in Melbourne Australia, 26 July 2015. It was proposed by Ms Janelle Saffin and seconded by Shadow Attorney General Mr. Mark Dreyfus.

1. The Australian Labor Party is committed to maintaining a close and positive relationship with the people of Timor-Leste.
2. In Government, Labor will enter into structured engagement with Timor-Leste to negotiate the settlement of maritime boundaries between our two countries.
3. Labor reaffirms our commitment to a rules-based international system, underpinned by a philosophy of multilateralism and institutions like the International Court of Justice (ICJ).
4. In light of this, in Government Labor will review its reservations to the United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) to the settlement of maritime boundary disputes through the ICJ and the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea (ITLOS).