

# VISIT TIMOR-LESTE | HONEST GOVERNMENT AD

## KEY SOURCES USED:

- [Senator Rex Patrick](#) – *Youtube, 2018*. This video of Senator Rex Patrick (uploaded last month) provides an excellent overview of the whole shitshow and was one of the main sources of info I used for the video.
- [How Australia Betrayed Then “Saved” East Timor](#) - by *Beth Wilson, Onya Magazine, 2009*. Provides a really good overview of Australia’s history of betrayal of Timor-Leste - this is a great introduction if you’re not familiar with the history.
- [Having it Both Ways: Australia’s Conflicted Position in the Timor Sea](#) - by *Sarita Ryan, Right Now, 2009*: This is also an explanation of the maritime border dispute; it might be a bit detailed and technical for some, but it is extremely well written.
- [Ungrateful Timor gets the Downer treatment](#) - *Sydney Morning Herald, 2004*. A very revealing piece from the time when the Howard/Downer Government was blackmailing Timor into signing the Timor Sea Treaty; it quotes leaked transcripts from Alexander Downer’s statements to the Timorese.
- [Australia threatening East Timor's existence: Gusmao”](#) - *Sydney Morning Herald, 2004*. Also from the time of the treaty negotiations, it quotes then-President of Timor-Leste, Xanana Gusmao.
- [As Witness K trial opens, questions over how much of Timor-Leste spying case to keep secret from public](#) - by *Clinton Fernandes, The Conversation, 2018*. This piece really helped me understand the prosecution of Witness K. In fact, read anything by Clinton Fernandes, one of the leading authorities on this subject.
- ["Island Off The Coast of Asia"](#) - by *Clinton Fernandes, 2018*. If you really want to get the full picture about Australia’s foreign policy, I highly recommend this recently published book by Prof. Clinton Fernandes. This was another key resource for me in making this video.
- [We can’t forget the lessons of Balibo](#) - *C Fernandes & N Xenophon, Sydney Morning Herald, 2015*. Great piece on the Balibo 5. “Never forgotten”.

## ANNOTATED SCRIPT

Visit Timor-Leste!

Australia’s favourite neighbour... no that’s *Bali*, dickhead. [East Timor!](#) Home to virgin islands... golden beaches... friendly people... But most importantly: shittons of [oil and gas](#).

Which is why here at the Australian Government we’ve [repeatedly](#) stabbed those friendly people in the fucking back.

Like remember that time [we supported Indonesia](#) when it invaded them? Sure [a third of them](#) ended up being [massacred](#) on our doorstep; and sure we [left our own journalists](#) to die in [Balibo](#) and then covered it up.

But hey, it was worth it: [here we are](#) sculling champers on a jet above the Timor Sea where all that oil and gas is. Ahh good times!

Sadly, this lucrative fuck-fest was [threatened](#) when Timor finally won its independence. It was the [youngest](#) and poorest nation in Asia. So, of course we [helped them out](#).

Nah just kidding, we stabbed them in the back again – by [forcing their impoverished asses](#) to sign a treaty that let us keep looting their oil and gas.

How did we get such a good deal? By [bugging their Government offices](#) during the negotiations. LOL

The only reason you know this is coz one of our spies – who we'll call Witness K – [complained](#) after learning that the big sack of shit who ordered the bugging took up a [lucrative consultancy](#) position with the [same company](#) that got the license to those oil fields.

Of course we immediately [prosecuted](#) the criminals. Not *them* silly; [witness K and his lawyer!](#)

[Right now](#) we're seeking to [try them both](#) in a [secret court](#) – because “NATIONAL SECURITY”. Which is our way of saying that we'd rather [you never learned](#) how we [conspired to defraud](#) Timor – an [offence](#) under the ACT's Criminal Code.

Or that we were [using ASIS](#) for corporate espionage instead of [stopping terrorists](#), around the very time that terrorists [bombed](#) our embassy in [Jakarta](#). (Whoops!)

And we'd *especially* like you not to learn how we cheated a nation just emerging from a brutal occupation, with one of the world's highest rates of [infant mortality](#), [malnutrition](#) and [preventable](#) disease; and [deprived them of billions](#) in revenue from their own resources.

Which is fucktons [more than](#) what we give Timor in “foreign aid”. So when you think about it, Timor's [sick](#) kids [are Australia's largest donor](#). Aww thanks little guys!

What's that, at least you got cheaper gas? Aww sweetheart, did we not mention that Timor's gas is [shipped straight to Japan](#)? Where it's sold for [40% less](#) than what you pay for it.

So to recap our foreign policy: you [pay for the exploration](#), investment and spying; these dick-bags get [rich](#); you get shafted on prices; [brown kids](#) die of diarrhea; and [anyone who exposes](#) this shitfuckery [gets tried](#) in a secret court. Any questions?

Visit Timor-Leste: Australia's best-kept dirty little secret.

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## WAYS TO HELP

- If you'd like to do something to support our neighbours in Timor-Leste, this is an organization that has come recommended – [ETWA \(East Timor Women Australia\)](#). It supports Timorese women and children and is not affiliated to Australia's foreign-aid complex (hence why not tax deductible!)
- You can write to the Attorney General Christian Porter asking him to exercise his power under s.71 of the Judiciary Act to drop the prosecution of Witness K and Bernard Collaery. Here's his email [christian.porter.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:christian.porter.mp@aph.gov.au) (please try to keep it clean!)
- Lastly, you can help raise awareness about this whole shitshow by sharing the vid / tagging your friends in the comments!

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<3 Giordano