Media Release: Australian Ambassador

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Media reports about Greater Sunrise development

I am concerned at recent media reports about the development of the Greater Sunrise oil and gas resource.

Any suggestion that Australia has threatened Timor-Leste on the issue is incorrect.

Australia’s long-standing position is that a decision about development of Greater Sunrise is for the commercial partners to make, consistent with the treaties Australia and Timor-Leste have negotiated.

Australia will continue to discuss the management of Timor Sea resources with the Government of Timor-Leste in a consultative manner.

Australia is committed to the security and prosperity of Timor-Leste.

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Reportajem kona ba dezenolvimentu Greater Sunrise nian

Hau hakfodak kona ba reportajem nebe fo sai foin dadaun ne’e kona ba dezenolvimentu mina-rai no gás iha kampu Greater Sunrise.

Dehan katak Australia halo ameasa hasoru Timor Leste, ida ne’e sala.

Australia nia pozisaun kona ba dezenolvimentu iha kampu Greater Sunrise ne’e kleur ona, katak sai hanesan desizaun ida ba parseirus de negosius sira atu halo, nebe haktuir tratadu sira nebe halo entre Australia no Timor Leste.

Australia sei kontinua konsulta nafatin ho Governu Timor Leste kona ba jestaun rekursus iha Tasi Timor nia laran.

Australia iha kombokisu ba Timor Leste nia seguransa no prosperidade.