



***Strengthening Friendship: People to People
Haforsa Relasaun Amizade: Husi Povo ba Povo
Maubisse***

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Conference Summary

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Introduction to Conference Summary

The *Strengthening Friendship: People to People Workshop/Conference* August 2010 followed the successful Australia and Timor-Leste Friendship Conference in Melbourne 2003, then in Baucau 2004 and in Dili July 2008.

At the July 2008 Conference participants requested a bi-annual meeting. The purpose of the Workshop was to provide Friends of Timor-Leste from Australia and Timor-Leste a face-to face opportunity to discuss with each other how we can continue and enhance our good and productive friendship for the next ten years.

The agreed aims of the Workshop/Conference were to:

- Consolidate the principles of the Australia-Timor-Leste Friendship groups
- Plan for future activities, and
- Improve coordination and communication

The workshop, which was held in the hilltop town of Maubisse was organised jointly by the Timor-Leste Ministry of State Administration and Territorial Management and the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network.

The Australian Friends were enabled to visit their East Timorese Friends beforehand and meet with local officials and representatives of partner organisations, and to meet representatives of government and non-government organisations in Dili.

The workshop was attended by approximately one hundred and forty participants, including representatives of the Timor-Leste government and government departments, most of the District and Sub-District Administrators, representatives of some of the Australian friendship groups and some East Timorese and Australian NGOs

Operational Issues

The Conference organisation and operation were under the Management of State Administration and supported by the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network participants. The conference was co-funded by participants from Australia and their Registration fee and generous AusAID funding. The continued support of AusAID is appreciated by all.

A Summary report

This summary is abridged for Day One because the relevant notes were misplaced on the return to Dili and copies did not exist. The Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network Facilitators in Australia and Timor-Leste have combined notes of a number of contributors and we thank them for their efforts and contributions.

Agenda

Strengthening Friendship: People to People

Haforsa Relasaun Amizade: Husi Povo ba Povo

Maubisse, Timor-Leste

Day 1 Friday 27th August 2010

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| 9 a.m. | Welcome Minister Arcangelo Leite
Presidential Address Jose Ramos Horta
HE Peter Heyward, Australian Ambassador, Timor-Leste |
| 9.20 am | Facilitators, Professor Damien Kingsbury and Ms Deolinda Cunha
Introductions |
| 9.25am | Brief message Kevin Bailey, Honorary Consul General Australia |
| 9.35 a.m. | District Reports- All District Administrators |
| 10.30 a.m. | Morning tea |
| 11.00 a.m. | District Reports Continue |
| 11.30am | Questions, Comments and Discussion |
| 12.00 md | Friendship Principles Mrs Rae Kingsbury |
| 12.30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 1.30 p.m. | Building on the Strengths, Opportunities and Challenges identified at
the first Friendship conference.
District Group discussion |
| 2.45 pm | Feedback Plenary |
| 3.30p.m. | Afternoon Tea |
| 4.00 pm | Feedback continues |
| 4.15 pm | Stories from Friendship Groups in Australia |
| 4.35 p.m. | Questions, Comments and Discussion |
| 4.50 p.m. | Setting the scene for tomorrow! |
| 5pm | Close |
| 6 pm | Dinner |

Day 2 Saturday 28th August 2010

- 8.30 am Review of Day 1 discussions
- 9.00 am Draft Action Planning Process for the next 10 years of Friendship -
Country wide Strategy: District break-out groups for specific action
plans
- 10.00 a.m. Morning tea
- 10.30 am Action Planning Process for the next 10 years of Friendship.
What can the Friendship Network and State Administration to support
and strengthen the work of Friendship Groups in the Friendship
Movement?
What will Friendship Groups do to harmonise and coordinate activities
with GoTL and other donor and TL NGO activities?
- 11.30 am Feedback and identifying priorities
12. 30 pm. Sr Abilio Caetano
Closing remarks
- 1.00pm Lunch

Return to Dili

- 6.00pm Invited Guest Drinks at Australian Ambassador's residence

(Note: the conference process did not accord precisely with the agenda as a result of the need to make changes to accord with the time available. This was discussed and agreed to by the conference participants at the time).



Speech by H.E. The Ministry of State Administration and Territorial Planning

The Friendship conference between Timor-Leste and Australia,

27 August 2010

Your Excellency, the President of Republic, Dr José Ramos Horta

Your Excellency, the Australian Ambassador to Timor Leste, Mr Peter Heyward

Mrs. Rae Kingsbury, President of Australia Timor Leste Friendship Network;

Districts and Sub- Districts Administrators

Friendship coordinators from Timor-Leste and Australia.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Participants, Friends

First, as Minister of State Administration and Territorial Planning, I would like to welcome you all, especially, our friends from Australia who come to this second friendship meeting.

Two years ago, in June 2008, we had the first friendship conference, as we are doing today, between the friendship group of Timor Leste and Australia . If, in 2008, we held it in Dili, as the capital of Timor Leste, so, in 2010 the friendship conference is held in the Sub- district of Maubisse. Why should we have the conference in Maubisse?

Friends, we thought that have the second conference in Maubisse, will help us to look directly and understand the real life of people in the Villages and sucos. We also thought that if we have the second conference in Maubisse, our friends from Australia would see and feel the realities of community life, as it is the same as other places around Timor Leste.

Friends,

I still remember the speech of His Excellency, Prime Minister Mr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão, in the first conference in 2008, that: "The relationship between nations/countries is not because of the leaders who have diplomatic relations, but most important is the relationship between the people in those countries".

I also still remember the speech of the President of Republic, Dr. José Ramos Horta, in 28 July 2010, when he first launched the Border Pass in Maliana, that: "Not the President, not ministers, not directors who strengthen the relationship between two countries, but the people of two countries will strengthen the relationship between both countries". I wish to inform all of you that, starting 28

July 2010, the population of Timor Leste and Indonesia who live around the border , they may visit each other without visas. It means that the population living around the border area, may feel like, they are-, in different countries but they look like brothers and sisters who have good relationships, Because, of these good relationships it will make the relationship between the two countries become stronger.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends,

Everything that, I have just mentioned above, relates to the topic that we have for this conference : “ Strengthening friendship: People to people” or “ Haforsa relasaun amizade: husi povu bá povu”. So, I want to say that a nation is people, and the relationship between the people is permanent, and stronger than between the governments and the leaders. With the strongest relationship we may strengthen the more relationship between these two countries. In 2003, when we had the first conference we called “Working together for East Timor” or “Servisu hamutuk bá Timor Leste”, which was organized by the Victorian Local Governancae Assocoation of Victoria, at the same time the His Excellency, President of Republic Mr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão, decided to have similar conference in Dili. So, the conference “Working together for East Timor” was an embryo of the friendship conference, which today we realised as the second conference.

Now, in 2010, the topic for this conference is “ Friendship cities or relasaun cidades amigas”, which means many municipalities or councils in Australia that have already had a relationship with the cities in Timor Leste, especially with Districts and Sub - Districts. We recognize that this relationship is facing many challenges, such as: language and communication, but, with the conferences that we have been organising for two years, we might help to reduce these challenges. So, the relationship between people in both countries may give us a life and enable us to live in peace and love. We also recognize that Timor Leste is one of a nation that receives lots of Australian aids. However , I ask the Timorese not depends to much on aids, but, through this relationship, we can learn how to develop our selves, and we hope our friends from Australia can receive our peace and love, and the goodwill our people towards our friends in Australia.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Participants, Friends

Finally, I would like to say that we have a similar opportunity to the one we had in 2008, that is the relationship between the people of both countries should come from the heart, not involve the – politics in this relationship and the government should just act as facilitators. I hope, during these two days, friends from Timor Leste can talk to friends from Australia as brothers and sisters, and do the evaluation, consolidation, coordination and communication with each other. For, District and Sub- District Administrators, who have not got a friendship relationship yet, this is an opportunity try to find friends from others cities, councils and municipalities that are here. For those who already have a relationship, this is an opportunity to talk and share ideas about which areas need to develop more, [serve or threat our friends as our self].

I want to say that this conference is way for people to demonstrate the spirit and solidarity between people in both countries, without any political intervention but, with mind and heart, contribute through for this conference to building the relationships between people in both countries.

Once again, I would like to congratulate you all, especially our friends from Australia who are participating in this conference and give you my best wishes “GOOD LUCK”

I declare that the second Conference of Friendship between Timor Leste and Australia, On 27 August 2010, officially open”,
Thank you very much.



Tetum version:



MINISTÉRIO DA ADMINISTRAÇÃO ESTATAL
E ORDENAMENTO DO TERRITÓRIO

Gabinete do Ministro

Intervensaun

S.E.Ministro da Administração Estatal e Ordenamento do Território

Iha Workshop Cidades amigas entre Timor-Leste no Austrália, 27 de Agosto de 2010

Sua Excelência senhor Presidente da República, senhor José Ramos Horta;

Sua Excelência Embaixador Australia bá Timor-Leste, sr. Peter Heyward, nebe representa Governo Austrália;

Senhora Rae Pery nudar Presidente bá Austrália Timor-Leste Friendship Network;

Senhores Administradores Distritos no Sub Distritos,

Senhores Presidentes Associações de Cidades Amigas husi Australia e Timor-Leste;

Senhoras e senhores, participantes, belun sira hotu,

Bá dala uluk hau hakarak pessoalmente no nudar Ministro Administração Estatal e Ordenamento do Território, fó Bem Vindo no saúda participantes tomak, em particular belun sira nebe mai husi nasaun vizinhu Austrália iha oportunidade ita bo'ot sira mai participa conferencia bá dala rua entre cidades amigas husi nasaun rua ne'e.

Iha tinan rua liu bá, nomeadamente iha fulan Junho 2008, ita hotu hala'o bá dala uluk conferência bo'ot ida maka hanessan agora dadaun ita hala'o conferência entre cidades amigas Timor-Leste no Austrália nian. Se iha tinan 2008 ita hala'o iha Dili nudar cidade e capital Timor-Leste, maka iha tinan 2010 ne'e iha concordância entre belun sira atu hala'o iha Sub Distrito Maubisse. Tanba sa maka ita hakarak hala'o iha ne'e?

Belun sira hotu, tanba hó hanoin hamutuk katak wainhira hala'o iha Maubisse ita hotu sei sinti duni oinsa realidade nebe iha comunidade no povo nebe moris iha sucos no aldeias nia let. Ami hanoin katak wainhira conferencia ne'e halo iha Maubisse maka belun sira husi Australia sei hare, sei sinti no sei hatene realidade iha Maubisse mós hanessan iha fatin seluk iha Timor-Leste tomak.

Belun sira hotu,

Hau sei hanoin lian fuan ba dala uluk husi Excelência Primeiro Ministro, sr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão, iha intervensaun ba conferencia tinan 2008, katak *“Relasaun entre nasaun sira la'os tanba nain ulun sira hare'e malu diak ou la'os tanba sira iha ligasaun diplomátiku metin, maibe importante liu mak relasaun amizade diak entre nia ema sira”*.

Hau mós la haluhan lian fuan balun nebe mai husi Excelência Presidente da República, sr. DR. José Ramos Horta iha loron 28 de Julho 2010 liu bá, wainhira Timor-Leste no Indonésia halo lansamento hamutuk bá Passe de Fronteira (Border Pass) katak *“la'os Presidente, la'os Ministro sira, la'os Director sira maka hametin relasaun diak entre nasaun rua, maibe sira nia povo maka sei hametin liu relasaun entre nasaun”*. Hau hakarak informa katak hahu 28 de Julho 2010, populasaun Timor-Leste no Indonésia nebe moris iha linha fronteira bele ba visita malu la usa

ona visto. Ne'e significa katak populasan iha fronteira sinti katak sira apesar de nasaun keta-ketak maibe sira hanessan maun ho alin e sira nia relasan de amizade ne'e maka sei haforsa liu tan amizade entre nasaun rua ne'e.

Senhoras no senhores, belun sira hotu,

Lian fuan nebe hau temi iha leten relasiona duni ho tema nebe ita tau ba ita nia conferencia : *“strengthening friendship: people to people”* ou *“ Haforsa relasan amizade: husi povo ba povo”*. Tanba ne'e hau hakarak dehan katak Nasaun maka povo, e amizade entre povo sira maka sei permanente, dura liu governo no nain ulun sira. Ho hakiak belun ita haforsa liu tan ligasan entre nasaun rua ne'e. Ho hanoin ida ne'e maka desde tinan 2003, wainhira hala'o conferencia ida ho naran *“ Working together for East Timor”* ou *Servissu hamutuk ba Timor-Leste*, nebe organiza husi Governo Local Victoria, maka hahu hamossu ideia husi S.E. Presidente da República iha altura neba sr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmao, atu oinsa bele mos organiza conferencia ruma nebe hanessan iha Dili. Tan ne'e maka conferencia *“ Working together for East Timor “* nudar embrio ba *Conferência cidades amigas*” nebe ohin loron ita realiza ba dala rua.

Ohin loron ita iha tinan 2010, conferencia ne'e muda naran ba *“Friendships cities ou relasan cidades amigas”*, nebe cidades municipais ou city council barak iha Australia maka iha ona relasan de amizade ho cidades iha Timor-Leste, em particular Distritos no Sub Distritos. Ita hotu reconhece katak relasan hirak ne'e diak maibe ita hassoru dificuldades barak hanessan : lingua ka komunikasan, maibe ho realizasan conferencia hanessan dadaun iha tinan rua-rua nia laran bele minimiza obstakulos hirak ne'e e nune'e relasan de amizade entre povo rua ne'e bele metin liu no bele kontribui ba desenvolvimentu nasaun rua ne'e e a ita bele moris diak, moris iha damai no domin nia laran. Ami reconhece katak Timor-Leste hamarik iha sorin nebe simu ajudas, simu tolun husi nia belun sira husi Australia, maibe hau hussu ba comunidade atu labele aprende tane'e liman, maibe ho relasan amizade ne'e ita bele aprende oinsa bele hamarik hodi desenvolve an e belun sira husi Australia mos bele simu ami nia domin no paz, ami nia povo nia simplicidade nebe bele mos util ba belun sira iha Australia.

Senhoras e senhores, belun sira hotu,

Ikus liu hau hakarak realsa tan iha oportunidade agora hanessian iha tinan 2008, katak relasaun de amizade entre povo tenki mai duni husi neon no domin, mai husi ita nia laran luak, labele iha intensoens politikas iha laran, e governo só facilita deit. Hanessian mós iha tinan rua liu bá, hau hein katak durante loron rua ne'e belun sira husi Australia no Timor-Leste bele aproveita tempo ne'e hodi kulia ba malu, ho laran kontente hanessian maun ho alin, halo avaliasaun no konsolidasaun, kordenasaun no komunikasaun ba malu no buka belun barak liu tan.

Ba Administradores Distritos no Sub Distritos nebe sidauk iha relasaun de amizade hó cidades ka city council, hau hussu atu aproveita tempo ne'e hodi buka belun liu husi belun nebe agora dadaun iha ita nia let. Bá ita bo'ot sira nebe belun iha ona, aproveita tempo ne'e hodi compartilha experiencias liu-liu iha area oinsa desenvolve no servi ita nia maluk rasik hanessian ita servi ita nia an rasik.

Ikus liu hau hakarak expressa katak conferencia ne'e forma ida atu hatudu espirito de amizade e solidariedade entre povo rua ne'e, simu malu sem intensoens políticas maibe ho neon no laran nakloken, fé no lealdade nó fó kontribuisaun bá sucessu conferencia ne'e rasik bá bem estar no amizade povo rua ne'e.

Dala ida tan hau hakarak sauda ita bo'ot sira hotu, em particular belun sira husi Australia nebe mai participa iha conferencia ne'e e desejo de "BOM TRABALHO E SUCESSO".

"Nune'e hau declara Conferencia Cidades Amigas entre Timor-Leste no Australia bá dala rua, 27 de Agostu 2010, loke oficialmente."

Obrigado.

Maubisse, 27 de Agosto de 2010

Dr.Arcângelo Leite

Ministro da Administração Estatal e Ordenamento do Território

President Jose Ramos Horta



A keynote address was given by the President of Timor-Leste, Dr José Ramos-Horta. There was criticism of much of the aid provided to Timor-Leste, which he said had not made an impact on local people. However, he described the Australian government's new strategy as now better aligned with the Timor-Leste government's priorities.

'No country in the world has committed more than Australia to Timor-Leste.' JRH

The President described the essence of the friendship relationships as 'people to people' and called for each of Sub-Districts in Timor-Leste to be 'adopted' by an Australian Local Government, with the aim of creating one hundred friendship relationships.

'My hope is for each Suco in TL to be adopted by a council in Australia. 400 Sucos in TL, to be adopted by 400 councils in Australia ... each school in Australia to adopt a school in T-L, if each council adopt a sub-district. I told Abel Guterres I want 100 friendship groups in Australia. Please spread the message. I want you to reach 400 Sucos in Timor-Leste. It is no big deal, you can do it.'



HE Peter Heyward, Australian Ambassador, Timor-Leste

The Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Peter Heyward, said that one challenge for the friendship groups is to ensure that they are aware of the changes which have taken place recently in Timor-Leste and plan for the future. In particular they should take account of the Timor-Leste Government's Strategic Development Plan in any District.



H.E. Kevin Bailey

The Timor-Leste Honorary Consul, H.E. Kevin Bailey addressed the conference, thanking conference participants for their participation and noting the continuing strength of the friendship between Australia and Timor-Leste.



Mrs Rae Kingsbury



The Coordinator of the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network and Facilitators, Rae Kingsbury, acknowledged and shared the participants of the three 'principles' underpinning the friendship relationships; i.e. Timorese-led decision-making, Long-term (minimum 10 years) sustainability and Collaborative partnerships.

Reports by District Administrators

The District representatives each presented a representative of their friendship group with a *tais* scarf as a token of the relationship between them.

Each District Administrator discussed the development of their friendship relationship in separate groups and identified their strengths, and opportunities and challenges for the future. Many of the challenges were similar for each District e.g. language and communications, transport, lack of a contact person in the District, etc.

Dili and Cova Lima:

Strengths:

- Number of external relations, capital Lusophone cities – advice, assistance
- Just finished just training 25 people from sub-districts.
- Some repetition with Australian friends. 2002 rqst-2003 est, strong history.

Challenges:

- Language/communication problems.
- Visa problems to Australia.
- Contact point in each organization. Sub-districts might want relationships but have to go through DA.

Opportunities:

- Train expert staff in Dili, staff exchange, facilitate individual (non-friend) contacts, e.g. NGOs, state, federal government.

Cova Lima:

- Strengths : Port Philip- Suai 10 years, full-time coordinators in both,
- community radio station , Kiama – Zumalai 2 years, local c'tee, strategic plan from Zumalai, mobile phones – improved communications.

Challenges:

- Limited resources for Zumalai plan. No internet, limited language.
- Transport very difficult, time-consuming and difficult. Need to form closer relationship with DA.

Opportunities:

- Exchange info between local groups, work with local schools, on sanitation and clean water.

- Improve communications, actually implement MOU.
- Work out who is responsible for decisions in Dili, English language and internet training.

Bobonaro:

Strengths:

- Leichhardt, Mt Alexander, Victoria. Strong, positive and good quality relationship,
- Community feels happy, community to community.
- Exchange programs to Mt Alexander and to other Bobonaro sub-district groups. Many useful projects, solar, library, art classes, laptops, dictionaries to schools. Water supply, toilets, library, guest house in Balibo. Strong commitment despite problems, especially with Lolotoe.
- Good contacts have helped communications.

Challenges:

- Cailaco, Atabae do not have friendship groups,
- Bobonaro/Hepburn not active.
- No internet with Lolotoe, money and budgets for projects, educating community in Australia, more support, volunteers, money.

Opportunities:

- Teacher training, scholarships, student visits/exchange, friendships between schools, study tours, tourism, decentralization will help direct relations.
- Conference in Australia, 100s of individual friendships, staying in each other's countries, triple bottom line sustainable local communities.

Liquica:

Strengths

- Moonee Valley. Communication improving, establishing commission,

Challenges:

- Communication

Opportunities:

- Agriculture, health, especially education, also environment, sanitation, forming a stronger friendship.

Ermera:

Strengths:

- City of Casey: Friendship MOU, the people,
- 8 visits to Casey, development program, education/kindergartens, schools, training programs – teachers and kindergartens,
- STEP program, scholarships (two students at teachers college),
- completed school in Hatolia.

Challenges:

- Language, communication,
- geography and roads,
- expectations around work,
- needs good office, motorbike, equipment,

Opportunities:

Strengthen relationship, Learning English, priority to base projects on national plan, extend scholarships to university, support women, especially in remote areas, more Australian volunteers.

Oecussi:

Strengths:

- Don't have Friendship relationships, but do receive support from Australia, local authorities not informed.

Challenges:

- Communications, transport, difficult to access/remote,

Opportunities:

- If you do go there we will look after you. We hope friends will be established.

Aileu:

Strengths

Good communications and co-ordination, good support for AVI, DA open to ideas, friendship commission willing to consider ideas, five year strategy plan, five year friendship agreement.

Challenges:

- Increase support from young people to hand over to next generation, job creation in Aileu.

Opportunities:

- Plans for next 10 years:
- Promote Aileu as tourist destination, as model,
- Involve councils in transition to local government in T-L.

Manatuto & Manufahi:

Strengths:

- Strong relationships between people in TL and Australia, support from friends in Australia, education, computers, kindergarten, teachers,

Challenges:

- Difficulties with language,
- bad roads/transport,
- no internet, no telephone in some places,
- lack of human resources and finance,
- no women's program in Lailea.

Opportunities:

- Computer training, Timorese to Australia,
- Timorese to study English, Australians to learn Tetum,
- education, help young people with computer training, scholarships, one more sub-district to have friendship group.

Baucau:

Strengths:

- Every sub-district has friendship group, long friendship,

Challenges:

- Same challenges of other districts, planning for ten years or the future – we want equality for gender.

Opportunities:

- More opportunities for women in Baucau!
- Visits to Australia, greater support from local government/DA, student exchange, stay in homes, not hotels.
- We have planning and we have dreams.
- More support for local committee, SDA to Australia.
- Three of six sub-districts have friendships, three more needed.

Ainaro:

Strengths:

- Three strong friendships: good social relations over many years,
- strong program over long time,
- strong local participation,
- work in all sucos.
- Local capacity development.
- Strong commitment from Australian council and engagement of local businesses – strong budget.

Challenges:

- One sub-district not yet have friendship program.
- Communications, especially in outlying areas, phone, language, cost of communications, lack of electricity, bad roads, lack of local people to voluntarily assist in programs.
- Sometimes poor facilities for visitors.

Opportunities:

- Sub District Hatululu friendship, unity, strengthen friendship, activities to benefit local communities, health, education, etc.
- Timorese study in Australia.

- Small business and income generation, tourism,
- English and computers, more formal planning structures and future planning.

Viqueque:

Strengths:

- Strong friendship between communities,
- regular group visits, language improving,
- love, trust and loyalty,
- lot of local volunteers,
- language is not a barrier,
- based in 14 different Geelong schools.

Challenges:

- One sub-district doesn't have relationship, two struggling,
- communication still needs improving,
- identifying needs in health and education sometimes difficult.

Opportunities:

- 10 year plan,
- exchange visits,
- local government,
- education, health groups, community development worker in Viqueque,
- sharing ideas and successes within and between groups, develop networks.

Lautem:

Strengths:

- Good friendships, friendship commission, supportive organizations.

Challenges:

- Not possible to support all activities,
- Communications difficult, lack of internet,
- some areas do not have friendship relationships, don't have friendship office.

Opportunities:

- Friendship Commission, greater cooperation and visits for Sub District Administrators,
- exchange students, scholarships for vocational training school,
- comparative study from two cities, journalists, teach English and Tetum and English- Tetum dictionaries.

Overall

Strengths: Strengths of friendship groups, success of programs.

Challenges: Communication, roads, infrastructure, some areas not yet have groups

Opportunities: Study in Australia, new friendship programs, exchange programs – more visits.



Day 2 Saturday 28 August 2010

Australian Friendship Group leaders were asked to provide brief points on activities and issues in Australia:

❖ Darwin-Dili Leigh Gregory:

Working with 'Action for Change' Foundation: youth group, teaching English, computer workshop/internet cafe, training to help youths become more employable. Internet café runs at a profit and subsidises English language, computer training and youth group.

Raise money in Darwin through quiz nights.

❖ Friends of Maliana AVI, Gail Clifford &

Blue Mountains-Hatubilico

Blue Mountains East Timor Sisters, women's group, we work closely with the Blue Mountains council, but our main fund raising is through garage sales.

Collect goods from community and make around \$3000 from each garage sale. Work with women's NGO in Dili, who identify scholarships for women and children, veterans centre, three pre-schools, domestic violence clinic, solar panels on nursery – we raise the money and the council spends it.

❖ Bendigo-Maubisse Leon Scott:

Don't raise a lot of money but do raise a lot of volunteerism.

Salvage goods from demolished colleges; desks, chairs, blackboards, over the last three years, 35-40 of volunteers have salvaged goods totalling 17 container loads of furniture.

118 builders have paid their own way to come from Australia, along with 21 literacy experts. We also raise funds by holding film nights and talk to service clubs.

❖ Linda Wimetel Mornington Peninsula-Friends of Los Palos

We began in early 2000 after meeting Xanana Gusmao, then president of CNRT, who was in the area to meet his future mother-in-law, and Abel Guterres, then representative of CNRT. Xanana urged council to get Friendship group up and running.

Friends of Los Palos is a Section 86 Special Committee of Council this gives credibility and trust in the community.

Fundraising is through schools, churches, Rotary and other non-profit organizations, helping to build a stronger and more caring local community.

Council provides small grants to cover basic costs such as printing.

All funds are raised in the community and every dollar is used in Los Palos.

Travel to Los Palos is self-funded. We raise money through the entrance fee from the Herronswood Garden opening, special events, sales of Timor-Leste coffee and handicrafts, a specially labelled fund-raising wine, information nights 'Tales from Timor' to raise awareness and raise funds.

Direct Transcriptions

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Mrs Rae Kingsbury, Convenor

Aileu

Day 2 Aileu

Aileu- Project protocols

1. Each project should respond to an identified need in Aileu
 2. Written project proposal (with \$s)
 3. Relate project to strategy plans (local; national; friendship)
 4. Projects should aim to be handed over locally (locally managed &/or owned) and sustainable (E. g . training; maintenance Included)
 5. Keep the community/ NGO's other groups informed
 6. Work with capacity of available resources (people/infrastructure/\$)
 7. Projects should respect history /culture and social processes both TL and Aust.
 8. Projects should be evaluated throughout life of projects (checking ongoing relevance etc)
 9. Celebrate the success of projects and publicise what is being done.
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1. Kasa projecto nebe mai kupi belun Aust no komisan Aile tenki baseia re..... comunidade.
 2. Kada proposta teuki ho mia onsamento
 3. Kualker aktividade lebele koutradis ho plano estrategia plano nacional
 4. Kada plano/projecto taiki involve ema local hamesan Nairn ba projecto
 5. Kualker aktividade tuki informa ba comunidade/public.

6. Implementa tuir ita mia kapacidade
7. Implementa projecto iha tafini ruma teuki respcita ema mia tradesaun
8. Waim hi va timeliza obra ruma presiza halo avaliasaun
9. Precisa halo luagurasaun ba projecto/ obra membe finalizaoma
- 10.

Alieu - Day 2 pg 3

1. Recognise aspirations of TL people to build own future .
2. Commit to long term relationship
3. Acknowledge role of key stakeholders e.g. District Administrator/ Friendship Commission in representing the people.
4. Acknowledge role of other partners
5. Work together to establish decentralisation and local government.
6. Share benefits across the district
7. Meet the goals of the Aileu people.
8. Principles of mutual respect, co-operation and decision making
9. Taking account of programs of National govt.(T.L.)
10. Capacity of district and Aust to support programs
11. Particular attention to the needs of young people
12. Sharing cultures
13. Implement mutual understanding
14. Strengthening communities in both T.L. and Aust.
15. The Agreement is a guide to activities not legally binding.

Tetum

1. Rekonase aspirasaun komunidadade
2. Komitmentso longo prazu ba Relasaun Amizade
3. Papel governio lokas hodi hametin Relasaun Amizade povo rua (2)
4. Servisu hamutuk
5. Servisu hamutuk hodi estabetiza etapa desentralizasaun governo local
6. Faha informasaun ba mahu
7. Buka deskosreasumto save povo Aileu mian
8. Buka respeita malu
9. Apresenta relatirio ba governmo central koma ba aktividade me be akontese
10. Kapacidade governo local no bleun Australia komaba ne be akoutese
11. To prioridade be governtude
12. Troka de kulturas
13. Implementa mutual respeito
14. Hametin Relasaun Amizade komunidadade Aileu – Australia
15. Documento ne hamesan base ida hodi hametin komunidadade rua mai be laos formal.

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Communication

Role of M.S.A.T.M.

- Promote friendship relationship at local level
- Monitor activities of friendship Groups
- Distribute information about activities of Friendship Groups to the districts

Role of ATLFN (AusTimorFN)

- Collect and exchange information b/n friendship groups
- Distribute info from MSATM
- Act as a contact group for friendship groups
- Communication not control

Ainaro

1. Protocols:

- Ideas come from East Timorese community (prioritise and identify)
- Establish local committee DA, Xefe, SDA, youth, women on committee
- Local committee speak with local stakeholders e.g. Education director before speaking with Friendship Groups
- Have common understanding of projects/aims e.g. MoU for project
- Have basic agreement/understanding by committee of projects/plans before vols come from Australia and commence initial stages
- Land title/ ownership confirmed in writing
- Sub districts – some don't have copies of MoU from DA
- Clarify aims/expectations by both sides

Protocols Tetum

- Idea mai husi comunidade
- Estabese comite Amizade local
- Iha precepsaun hanesan kona be projetu
- Identifika ai anim confirmado ba document
- Husi subdistritu presiza kopia karta ofisial/ou karta MoU husi DA

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2. Timeframe 5yrs (?)

Priorities within timeframe

-SDA – think agreements should be district by district

-Devise checklist for all groups:- considerations for agreement/ issues

Groups without Friendship Link

- Contact Abel Guterres via ATLFN (-organisers)
- Community discussion/consultation after initial request via SDA/DA to alleviate unreal expectations
- Formal letter from SDA requesting establishment of Friendship Group.
- Provide contact person for SDA for follow up on progress

Tetum

- Grupu nebe la iha ligasaun Amizade
- Consultasaun ho comunidade deposite koalia ho subdistru la hanesan somparasaun
- Karta official husi SDA assina kona ba DA kona ba estabilidade ho amigos grupu

- Contactu ba diresaun SDA kona ba progressu

Baucau District

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*Bainhira planeia ka hari projetu duat hirak nebe ktu kumpin mak tuir mai nee:

- Idnetifika necesidade comunidade , (Liu Husi PDS)
- Submete ba komisaun local
- Implementasaun
- Monitorizasaun
- Relatorio

*Accordo Amizade Mak tuir mai nee:

Baseia ba acordo entre

- Autoridade local
- Belasaun Amizade
- Comitte Amizade no comitte local
- Implementador

Bobonaro

Grupo Bobonaro

1. Protocolu nebe presisa halo tuir !

Principio 3	Follow 3 principles of Friendship Groups
Indentifica comunidade nia presisa	Projects Identify and follow community needs
Consultacao Ba Comunidade Antes Atu Halao Projecto	Involve consultation with the whole community
Projecto laos ba comite maibe ba comunidade idea ida de it	Projects are just for the committee but for the community
	There is unity between the ideas of Aus Friends and friends in Timor Community needs

2. Acordo Amizade NEBE PRESISA Patronizada:

Projecto inportante maibe relancao Amizade inportante	Projects are important but friendship more important
Principle 3 Diak ona	There is a good model of agreement from VLGA which works well and can be adopted locally.

By Bob

Dili and Suai

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Protocol apa saja yang harus diikuti jika didirikan proyek di TL

What protocols need to be followed if establishing a project in Timor Leste

Formal- Peraturan mohon izin dari PPU. Agrarin, termasuk perincian

Formal- request permit from public works, Agriculture Dept, include details

Rencana dana personalia, dampak lingkungan

Planning for personnel fundinding, environmental impact

- Depends on proyek
- - Tergantung Jenis Proyek
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2 – Are there parts of the Friendship /agreement that should standardised?

Apakah ada bagian perstejuan Amizade yary sebaiknya di standardisikan/dibakukan.

-perlu standard

-need standard

-need standard (Fisik yabnon-fisik ho)

-Harus pertimbangkan

-What needs to be considered

Skala proyeknya

Scale of Project

List of technical staff

Daftar Personalia teknik

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3 Bagaimana kita dapat memfasilitasikan komunikasi?

How can we facilitate communication?

- Peran Estatal
- The role of the Dept of State
 - District should notify Minister of state
 - Distrik harus kasitahu Menteri Dalam Negeri/Estatal
 - -- Provide office/salary coordinator for central secretariat in Dili-
 - Menyediakan gaji/kantor petugas Ko-ordinator sekretariat di Dili
 - Melatih staf sub-distrik pakai komputer/internet dll
 - Train subdistrict to use computers/internet etc
 - Mutual Communication
 - Saling berkomunikasi
- Peran perjanjian Amizade Aus dengan TL
- Friendship MOU between Aust and TL
 - Menerbitkan/ umumkan kegiatan kepada Gov TL/Aus
 - Publish/inform the Aust and East Timor Govts about activities
 - Forum di website tukar ide, minta bantuan dan kolega di kelompok lain
 - Forum on the the website , exchanges ideas and request assistance from other groups

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Masalahnya jaringan ada di Australia tapi belum ada di TL, Belum ada sekretariat/Kantor pusat

The problem is there is a network in Australia but not yet in TL, there is not yet a secretariat or central office

Pakai website tukar/pakai Informasi bersama

Use Website/exchange/use together

-perlu staf dilatih supaya bisa

-staff need to be trained in use

-termasuk forum- sampaikan beri informasi kepada kolega

-include a forum to convey information to colleagues

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Communicating across groups

Komunikasi antara kelompok

- Internet (email)

- Bagaimana termasuk?
- How do we include?
- Sub distrik yang belum diwakili?
- Sub districts not yet represented?

Administrator sub distritu

Sub district administrators

Kasih tahu

Provide info

Amizade Aust/Timor bahwa perlu hubungan amizade

That Aust/TL needs to establish friendship links

Didirikan sekretariat pusat yang bisa bantu

Establish a central secretariat who can assist.

Lautem

Reposta:

1.
 - Komissao kria encorontro inclui lider cominitaro no sectores
 - Indentifika no halo diskusaun nesesidade comnidade prioridade.
 - Halo proposta no prioritiza propostas
 - Halo verifikasaun propostas
 - Apresenta no approva propostas
 - Submete proposata ba Friendship
 - Implementatsaun de projectos
 - Monitoizacao Projectus
 - Progreo projectu recata ba friendship
2. Presiza lha komissao no MoU

Liquica

Tetum

1. Verifica fatin projeto
2. Halo 'dezol' ou BOQ dupuesduro tempo halo
3. Publika ba companies sira hodi hatama profile
4. Hulao sebsaunlo documentas ba compania sira nebe – hetau kalasifilasaun
5. Puiblicasaun ba compania sira nebe hetan afiliasaun
6. Kompania sira nebe hetan ajudikasaun sei ba tame fatin projeto
7. Asina kontato hodi bele servico ba projeto
8. Kuia honario ba monitorizulau projet
 - Mao atu halao unifikasaun ba fatin projeto sira tue husi parte 2 udade tuiga ho belun TL halo ona aborde de oreamento ba projeto nebe iha.

English

1. Identify place of project
2. Make agreement or MOU for timelines
3. Company to establish public profile
4. Document problems that the company might face – by classification
5. Issue publication for company to find an [Friendship] affiliation
6. Company needs to find adjudication to be able to address the place of the project
7. Sign contract to enable service for the project
8. Honor monitoring of the project.
 - *each party to enter into an agreement to follow-up their part of the project – Friendship group and Timor-Leste friends will have made an agreement to establish that project

n.b. This was transcribed from a semi-legible document and translated for meaning.

Manatuto /Manufahi

Day 2 Manatuto and Manufahi (Laleia, Laclubar, Natabora, Soibada)

Manatuto /Manfahi Group

1. Protocolo saida tenke kumpre haleia ka halao tuir bainhira planea no haril projectu

Resposti:

- Konsultasaun komunitario
- Identificasaun problea
- Levantamento de dados
- Analisa dados
- Folti desisaun
- Halo propstu be osaumento

1. Protocols to follow when planning and setting up new projects

Response:

- Consult community
- Identify the problem
- Collect information/data
- Analysing data
- Make decision
- Make budget for finance/project

2. Karik Iha parte bawn ka park ruma iha accoro Amizade nian nebe hanoin persiza padronizada?

ii. Reposta

- Negras afu estabecase hodi bele
- evita dupla apoia
- Evalasauer kata tulau toui ka ne julau neen

ii. Response

Role/Rules

- Establish rules for community to follow so there is no duplication
- Evaluation of projects every 3mths/6mths

Viqueque

Viqueque, Geelong

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Protocols (Tetum)

Atu Komesha

*halo sorumutuk ho xomminidade hodi bele rona direita propssta nebe mosu husi povu, no uza hanesan prioriedade ba belun Amizade sira

* Uza PD5 hanesan refernsia hodi bele implenta projecto

*Treinamento husi ema ba ema

Aldeia → sucu (many projects proposed)

State Administration ← DA ← SDA priorities top 6 projects

*Australian group wants to know who to talk to

* Australian group wants -the proposal of project, requesting budget, who's in charge, why?

New page

1. Protocalapa gaja yang harus diikuti jika didirikan proyeu di TL
2. Formal- Peraturan

Request permit from public works

Mohon izin dari PDU

Agrarin, termasuk perinuan

Rercara dana, personalia, dampak, lingkunyan.

-Depends on proyek

- Terganturn, Proyek Jenis

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Australian group wants to know:-

Who – to talk to (original plans/negotiations)

What- are the priorities?

Which project

- What is needed?
- Why?
- Training required?

When?

Who is in charge? –require accountability/progress report (someone to ring)

Budget? –combination of PDS and friendship gp?

Completed to satisfaction → evaluation → Timorese

Australian

Any project maintenance / support needed after project completed?

When project is agreed upon, contract signed, ensure that Sucu recipient is notified and they can start organising people, material, support etc

Use the commission

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2. Standard procedures as part of Friendship Groups

*Relatirio husi Dep ida-idak ba Ministerio competente

* Relatorio Husi Amizade ba Ministerio Estrangeiro no sei transfer Liu Husi Websi

Action Planning Process -Next 10 years of Friendship

What can the Friendship Network and State Administration to support and strengthen the work of Friendship Groups in the Friendship Movement?

What will Friendship Groups do to harmonise and coordinate activities with GoTL and other donor and TL NGO activities?

Feedback and identifying priorities

Looking forward:

Should there be protocols to follow when planning and setting up projects?

Are there parts of friendship agreements that should be standardized?

Maire Sheehan, Damien and Abilio jointly hosted and facilitated this session.

Resolution discussed and passed unanimously

- 1. Establish AusTimorFN website in cooperation with State Administration to share information between Friends in Timor-Leste and Friends in Australia.**
- 2. That State Administration put information on decentralization, budgets, donor projects, district project etc on the website.**
- 3. AusTimorFN put Friendship projects and contact details on the website. Friendship groups to send in information on their activities, e.g. sharing of protocols (as discussed and shared in morning session).**

Discussions- Questions and Answers/ Comments:

Q Louise: In general happy with idea and it is fantastic to share information. Our role as friendship groups is very different to working with government, concerned about government bureaucracy.

Answer Maire: Principles of community to community do not change. This is only for information sharing, not for decision making. The Friendship network is not an incorporated body and does not have authority to make decisions.

Q. Barb Godfrey: Communication is one of the biggest issues; report available other than via website?

Ans. Maire: Will also e-mail to all people at conference, those with e-mail will send message to those without e-mail.

Q Harmy: If we use internet access we have to make sure we maintain access to the people.

Comment Gary Jungwirth: I think there is a misunderstanding of 2008 resolution. I will support the resolution. But a lot of friendship groups not here have strong views about role of network. An agreement should be of those in attendance, not those not in attendance.

Ans Maire: Absolutely.

Q Atauro: We have been hearing DAs and members they don't have active internet access. Australia already has a well functioning Friendship Network, so State Admin should establish central Friendship commission for T-L communication.

Answer Abilio: In 2008 Minister Arcangelo Leite met Minister Richard Wynne to ask for focal point but no result until now. Not supposed to be with government. The question is how to establish the friendship. Need to get info from website not from government. Intend to increase internet access to the local level to take government out of equation.

Comment Maire: Perhaps we can also help with internet access/communication. We will produce report in both Tetum and English.

DA Atauro: Can our proposals/protocols work?

Ans Maire: We have to work on this. It is a start, a beginning for communication. This is a new kind of communication, which will become more common in Timor-Leste in the future.

Comment and request Mario, Aileu: Request to organizers for next conference, you can bring your youth as well, because one day we are all going to be resting for a very long time.

Resolution passed unanimously.

Closing Remarks of the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship workshop

Sr Abilio Caetano:

A Message from National Director of Local Administration

My respects to all the participants, friends from Australia and Timor-Leste;

My respects to Districts and Sub-districts Administrators,

My respects to Mrs Rae Kingsbury, President of the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network,

My respects to Professor Damien Kingsbury,

First, I would like to congratulate friends and all participants who have been taking part in this conference during these two days with the full attention. Even, with very limited facilities, I can see that, you all never felt tired and have attended all of the activities.

Friends,

I want to remind all of us of the message of our President Dr. José Ramos Horta, who said; "it is not the President, nor ministers, nor the directors who strengthen the relationship between our two countries, but the people of our two countries who will strengthen the relationship between both countries". And also remember the speech of the Australian Consulate-General to Timor Leste, Mr Kevin Bailey, who said; the friendship relationship is not between rich and poor, but comes from the love between people.

So, I think that this second conference will strengthen the relationship between our two countries, especially people two countries that such strong feeling and love.

Friends,

I can see that, even though, we have already have the good relationships with city councils from Australia but we are still facing problems because of communication. Estatal will establish this website with the Network for information sharing purposes. This will help our friends in Australia better understand what we are doing. We will also communicate with Foreign Affairs.

But through this conference, we hope that, we can solve this problem, so, we believe or hope to strengthen the relationship between the people in our two countries can still continue. Because of that, I would like to say thank you very much to friends from city councils in Australia who have been helping people in Timor Leste, through the friendship programs.

I would also like to ask, the Timorese who have become Australian citizens to help and contribute to the friendship programs. If it possible, the Australia Timor Leste

Friendship Network, could help give this information to them, because I think they also want to help their friends in Timor Leste. If, the Timorese in Australia became involved in this conference, the communication problems like I have mentioned above can easily be solved.

Friends,

Lastly, I would like to congratulate you all for your contribution, so that, the second friendship conference can be held in Maubisse, even, with minimum facilities. I also want to say to you all, specially friends from Australia that I am sorry for our limited ability to accommodate you and in the running of this conference.

I want to say thank you very much to Mrs. Rae Kingsbury and to, Professor Damien Kingsbury who arrived two weeks before this conference to help with the preparation for the conference, and I want to say thank you very much to sister, Lorraine McBride from Friends of Baucau who has helped with preparation of this conference.

I also want to say thank you to Aus Aid which gave to enable the holding of this conference and to Leichhardt City Council in Sydney which conducted fundraising for this conference.

Thank you very much to you all and we hope to see each other at the next conference.

Thank you for your attention.



Reception Ambassador's Residence

On the evening of 29 August, Australians and State Administration Conference Organisers attended a reception for participants of the Maubisse workshop at the residence of the Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Peter Heyward.

At the reception, the Ambassador spoke about the importance of the friendship relationships.

Kirsty Sword Gusmao spoke about a program to support the use of local languages in Timor-Leste. Kirsty thanked Friends of Aileu participants at the conference Richard Brown and Gary Jungwirth for bringing two donated laptop computers to Dili for use in a literacy project which she is sponsoring.

Thank you to Ambassador Peter Heyward and his wife Susan for their hospitality.



Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network Facilitators also expresses our grateful thanks to the Facilitators Professor Damien Kingsbury and Ms Deolinda Cunha for their expertise and support for the Conference. April 2011

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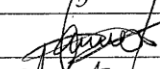
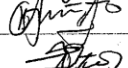
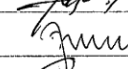

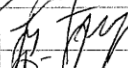
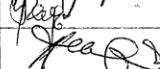
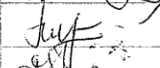
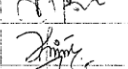
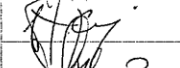
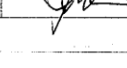




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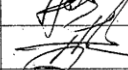
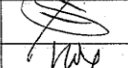
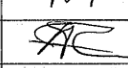
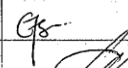

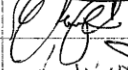
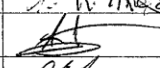
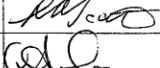





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Strengthening Friendship: People to People

Haforsa Relasaun Amizade: Husi Povo ba Povo **Maubisse, Timor-Leste 27 & 28 August 2010**

The Australia Timor-Leste Friendship movement has committed itself to continuing the Friendship process for the next ten years. At the end of the first ten years of the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship movement, each of the Friendship groups attending the 'Strengthening Friendship; People to People' conference held in Maubisse over 27-28 August, recommitted themselves to a further ten years of Friendship with the people of Timor-Leste.

The Australian Friends of Timor-Leste at the conference also unanimously voted in favor of the Australia Timor-Leste Friendship Network (AusTimorFN) establishing a website in cooperation with State Administration to share information between Friends in Timor-Leste and Friends in Australia. The conference brought together more than 100 people from Friendship groups in Australia and Timor-Leste for what was Timor-Leste's largest international conference outside Dili.

Addressing the conference, the President of Timor-Leste, HE Jose Ramos-Horta, highlighted the role played by the Friendship movement in underpinning relations between Timor-Leste and Australia. President Ramos-Horta said: 'No country in the world has committed more than Australia to Timor-Leste.' 'My hope,' he continued, 'is for each suco in Timor-Leste to be adopted by a council in Australia. I want each school in Australia to adopt a school in Timor-Leste.'

Opening the conference, the Timor-Leste Minister for State Administration, Snr Arcangelo Leite, said he warmly supported the Friendship movement and wanted to see it continue to develop and to progress. He said that governments come and go, but that friendship continued.

The Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste, HE Peter Heyward, told the conference that the Friendship movement was a true symbol of the closeness of Australia and Timor-Leste. He said that the people to people relationships provided an underlying substance to more formal bilateral relations.

The conference addressed a number of themes, with the individual Friendship groups identifying the long-term commitment of both Australian and Timor-Leste friends to the movement as being their greatest strength, followed by the successes of their many local projects. Communication, including language, telephone, internet and sometimes road access, continued to be the biggest challenge to the movement. In his closing remarks, the Director of State Administration, Snr Abilio Caetano, referred to brothers and sisters coming together in love, peace and solidarity. He said that the challenges to the Friendship movement were in the process of being overcome.

The Convenor of AusTimorFN, Rae Kingsbury, offered her warm thanks to the participants to the conference, saying that the Friendship movement was owned by those people who comprised it.

