

**TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

This petition of certain citizens of Australia draws to the attention of the House the absence of an internationally recognised border between Australia and Timor-Leste.

We therefore ask the House to take all appropriate measures to assist the Government to finalise as soon as possible a fair and permanent maritime boundary between Australia and Timor-Leste,
using median line principles, in accordance with current international law.
We ask that this be done in good faith and as a matter of urgency.

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Please post this petition to:

Sister Susan Connelly, 14 Yerrick Road, Lakemba NSW 2195 by 30 July 2017

Every signature is important, so send the sheet even if it has only one signature.

Signatures must be on this side of the paper.

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This petition will be on the Parliamentary Petitions Committee website in June for 4 weeks.

There's no border!



Australia has permanent maritime boundaries with most nations in its region:

New Zealand, the Solomon Islands, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea and Indonesia.

But there's one missing.

It is **Timor-Leste (East Timor)**.

There is no border between Timor-Leste and Australia.

Timor-Leste wants a boundary in the Timor Sea

drawn halfway between the two countries, in accordance with current international law.

Australia needs to finalise the matter, and to do it as soon as possible. The Timorese people have the right to a border, and so have Australians.

Each nation has the right to its own sovereignty.

Each nation needs to know what resources in the Timor Sea it owns.

Sharing the resources fairly needs a fair and permanent border.

Time to Draw the Line ~ Please sign the Petition