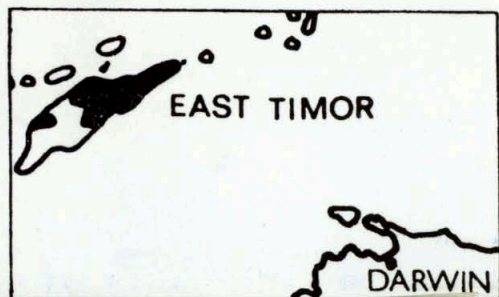
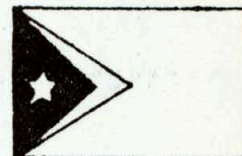


# CAMPAIGN FOR INDEPENDENT EAST TIMOR (S.A.)



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Dear Pat, John,

Unfortunately it appears that none of us from S.A. will be able to make it to your meeting on Saturday, at least at the time of writing. C.I.E.T.(S.A.) committee met on Monday to discuss the apparent shift in A.L.P. attitude to East Timor. The committee unanimously agreed that now was the time to go for broke, that the longer we waited for the A.L.P. Government to act on Timor the less chance there was of them actually implementing their policy before A.L.P. National Conference in June, after which anything could happen.

The committee agreed it was paramount that we get Ramos Horta out to Australia, and preferably Abilio Araujo as well, as soon as possible, and to tour Australia extensively, giving them time to meet with all interested organisations and people, and to make personal representation to both Hawke and Hayden and other A.L.P. politicians. The media attention this tour would attract would have to put Hawke and Hayden on the spot, and generate promising dialogue within the A.L.P.

As far as funds go, there is a possibility that Community Aid Abroad may assist if we apply to them for such. ( This was the thought of the State Secretary in S.A.)

Further to all this it was suggested that the Australian Democrats be approached.

In S.A. we are in the process of writing to, and in some cases making personal representation to all A.L.P. sub-branches in S.A., and suggesting a motion to go to their State Convention.

We are of course contacting all supporting and/or influential organisations to send letters/telegrams to Hayden.

Please keep us informed of decisions made at your meeting---it may also be of use to hold a further National Meeting. If this is decided we ought to be able to get someone over for it.

Best Wishes,

Yours in solidarity,

Bob Hanney,  
on behalf of C.I.E.T.(S.A.)