

**The Hon. Malcolm Turnbull, MP**  
**Prime Minister of Australia**  
Government of the Commonwealth of Australia  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

2 April 2016

Dear Prime Minister Turnbull,

Greetings of Peace from graduate students of the United Nations-mandated University for Peace (UPEACE) in Costa Rica. We are peacebuilders from 36 countries with a broad range of experience and we believe in peaceful resolution of conflict.

We believe that the dispute between Australia and Timor-Leste in respect of the Timor Sea should be settled in good faith, in a peaceful and judicious manner, in compliance with international law and with an equitable result.

To this end, we urge you, as the head of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia to lead the Government and the people of Australia in formulating and adopting policies that respect the sovereignty and dignity of the Timor-Leste nation, and the rights of Timor-Leste's people. Specifically, the Government of Australia should:

1. Resubmit to the mechanism of resolving maritime boundary disputes provided by the International Court of Justice and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea;
2. Open immediately negotiations with the Government of Timor-Leste to agree to a permanent maritime boundary based on the Median Line Principle;
3. Halt appropriation of revenues unilaterally from the Timorese side of the halfway line as it reduces opportunities for good lives for women, children, and vulnerable people in Timor-Leste.

Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely,

Graduate Students at the University for Peace (UPEACE)  
(named in the Appendix)

## Appendix

| No. | Name                    | Country         | Program (MA candidate)                                      |
|-----|-------------------------|-----------------|---|
| 1.  | Felicity Johnson        | USA             | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 2.  | Chelsea Naylor          | USA             | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 3.  | Suzanne Fische          | Costa Rica      | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 4.  | Mary Elizabeth Lahiff   | USA             | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 5.  | Dominique Clark         | USA             | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 6.  | Hepsibah Effange        | Cameroon        | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 7.  | Michelle Hyeln Nam      | South Korea     | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 8.  | Darren Ekema            | Cameroon        | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 9.  | Yong Jae Joo            | South Korea     | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 10. | Anne Gaelle Lissade     | Haiti           | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 11. | Shawn Tallant           | USA             | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 12. | Sooin Jeong             | South Korea     | International Law & Human Rights                            |
| 13. | James Luworo            | USA/South Sudan | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 14. | Khadija Shamshuddin     | India           | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 15. | Elizabeth Arnott        | Canada          | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 16. | Mohamed Gamal           | Egypt           | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 17. | Gil Hawn You            | South Korea     | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 18. | Michaelar Singwa Ngwa   | Cameroon        | International Law & the Settlement of Disputes              |
| 19. | Aemal Khan              | Pakistan        | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 20. | Victor Pierre Jean      | France          | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 21. | Nabanita Choudhury      | India           | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 22. | Sofia Madrigal          | Costa Rica      | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 23. | Sarah Herrera Alfaro    | Costa Rica      | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 24. | Eun-Ji Lee              | South Korea     | Responsible Management and Sustainable Economic Development |
| 25. | Arunima Chouguley       | India           | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 26. | Gabriela Rodriguez      | Venezuela       | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 27. | Aude Mulliez            | USA/France      | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 28. | Hanna Krueger           | Germany         | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 29. | Mari Arimitsu           | Japan           | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 30. | De Anna Bihlman Le Pree | USA             | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 31. | Kayo Fujiwara           | Japan           | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 32. | Tran Thi Thuy Trang     | Vietnam         | Gender and Peacebuilding                                    |
| 33. | Dania Maduro            | Costa Rica/USA  | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 34. | Ryan Fallgatter         | USA             | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 35. | Gabriela Ayón           | Costa Rica      | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 36. | Tsubasa Enomoto         | Japan           | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 37. | Carolina Bermudez       | Colombia        | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 38. | Fiorilla Hell           | France          | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 39. | Erika Inoue             | Japan           | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 40. | Jun Fujihira            | Japan           | Environment, Development and Peace                          |
| 41. | Maria Reinna Bermudez   | Philippines     | Environment, Development and Peace                          |

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| 42. | Laura Laguna Lecompte  | Colombia      | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 43. | Reanna McMillan        | Canada        | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 44. | Santiago Cantón        | USA/Argentina | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 45. | Momoko Higa            | Japan         | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 46. | Thome Xaisongkham      | Laos          | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 47. | Joontae Kim            | South Korea   | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 48. | Mudit Suri             | India         | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 49. | Darun Jansawartd       | Thailand      | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 50. | Samantha Lee           | USA           | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 51. | Hyejin Kim             | South Korea   | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 52. | Nist Pianchupat        | Thailand      | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 53. | Nicole Bornemisza      | Costa Rica    | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 54. | Adan Espejo            | México        | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 55. | Ifigenia Garita        | Costa Rica    | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 56. | Claudia Moscoso        | Bolivia       | Environment, Development and Peace            |
| 57. | Diana Rodriguez Dussan | Costa Rica    | Media, Peace and Conflict Studies             |
| 58. | Nova Doloksaribu       | Indonesia     | Media, Peace and Conflict Studies             |
| 59. | Rebekka Nicoline       | Norway        | Media, Peace and Conflict Studies             |
| 60. | Emilie de la Chapelle  | Finland       | Media, Peace and Conflict Studies             |
| 61. | Boram Kim              | South Korea   | Media, Peace and Conflict Studies             |
| 62. | William Fujarczuk      | Canada        | Peace Education                               |
| 63. | Bunthea Ly             | Cambodia      | Peace Education                               |
| 64. | Lisa-Marie Rahlmann    | Germany       | Peace Education                               |
| 65. | Caroline Hooper        | USA           | Peace Education                               |
| 66. | Dong Hyun Park         | South Korea   | Peace Education                               |
| 67. | Mari Luong             | Japan         | Peace Education                               |
| 68. | Sydney Hope            | USA           | Peace Education                               |
| 69. | Sevde Tuba             | Turkey        | Peace Education                               |
| 70. | Maya Mizuno            | Japan         | Peace Education                               |
| 71. | Monika Landry          | Canada        | Peace Education                               |
| 72. | Marlena Smith          | Poland        | Peace Education                               |
| 73. | Samantha Beth          | USA           | Peace Education                               |
| 74. | Jennifer Nicholson     | Canada        | Peace Education                               |
| 75. | Chiho Kozaki           | Japan         | Peace Education                               |
| 76. | Cameron Michaely Noel  | USA           | Global Environmental Policy                   |
| 77. | Elizabeth McWhinnie    | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 78. | Wilhelm Irwe           | Sweden        | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 79. | Felicia Hall           | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 80. | Meagan Rathjen         | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 81. | Leslie Kinnas          | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 82. | Hayden Sloan           | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 83. | Attiya Sayyed          | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 84. | Megan Hope             | USA           | Natural Resources and Sustainable Development |
| 85. | Francis Gortaire       | USA           | International Peace Studies                   |
| 86. | Htuu Lou Rae Den       | Myanmar       | International Peace Studies                   |
| 87. | Patrick La Ring        | Myanmar       | International Peace Studies                   |
| 88. | Daniela Calvo          | Costa Rica    | International Peace Studies                   |
| 89. | Carlos Vinicio Rojas   | Costa Rica    | International Peace Studies                   |
| 90. | Pedro do Nascimento    | Brazil        | International Peace Studies                   |
| 91. | Elizabeth Sirengo      | Kenya         | International Peace Studies                   |
| 92. | Kay Weber              | USA           | International Peace Studies                   |

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| 93.  | Amabella Carumba        | Philippines  | International Peace Studies |
| 94.  | Sung Hwah Ko            | South Korea  | International Peace Studies |
| 95.  | Ellen Gahigi            | Canada       | International Peace Studies |
| 96.  | YuLi Hunsicker          | USA          | International Peace Studies |
| 97.  | Vonne Hemels            | Netherlands  | International Peace Studies |
| 98.  | Teresa Ma               | Hong Kong/UK | International Peace Studies |
| 99.  | Candy Diez              | Philippines  | International Peace Studies |
| 100. | Flora F. Brytes Ximenes | Timor-Leste  | International Peace Studies |