Resolution 1690 (2006)

Adopted by the Security Council at its 5469th meeting, on 20 June 2006

The Security Council,


Expressing its deep concern over the volatile security situation in Timor-Leste and its serious humanitarian repercussions,

Condemning continuing acts of violence against people and destruction of property,

Welcoming the initiatives taken by the Secretary-General, including the work of his Special Envoy to Timor-Leste to assess the situation on the ground,

Taking note of the letter dated 11 June 2006 addressed to the Secretary-General from the President of the Republic of Timor-Leste, the President of the Parliament and the Prime Minister (S/2006/383), as well as the letter dated 8 June addressed to the Secretary-General from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence of Timor-Leste (S/2006/391),

Reaffirming its full commitment to the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and national unity of Timor-Leste,

Remaining fully committed to the promotion of long-lasting stability in Timor-Leste,

1. Decides to extend the mandate of the United Nations Office in Timor-Leste (UNOTIL) until 20 August 2006 with a view to planning for the role of the United Nations following the expiration of the mandate of UNOTIL;

2. Expresses its appreciation and full support for the deployment of international security forces by the Governments of Portugal, Australia, New Zealand and Malaysia in response to the request of the Government of Timor-Leste and their activities aiming to restore and maintain security in Timor-Leste, takes note with appreciation that the work of those international forces is also facilitating the provision of humanitarian assistance and humanitarian access to the people of...
Timor-Leste in need, and encourages those countries to continue to inform the Council of their activities;

3. Calls upon the international security forces to continue to work in close coordination with the Government of Timor-Leste as well as the United Nations Office in Timor-Leste (UNOTIL);

4. Urges all parties in Timor-Leste to refrain from violence and to participate in the democratic process;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Council by 7 August 2006 a report on the role for the United Nations in Timor-Leste following the expiration of the mandate of UNOTIL, taking into account the current situation and the need for a strengthened presence of the United Nations;

6. Welcomes the initiative of the Secretary-General to ask the High Commissioner for Human Rights to take the lead in establishing an independent special inquiry commission in response to the request made by the Government of Timor-Leste in the letter dated 8 June 2006, and requests the Secretary-General to keep the Council informed on this matter;

7. Calls upon the donor community to respond urgently and positively to the Flash Appeal launched by the United Nations on 12 June 2006 for humanitarian assistance to Timor-Leste;

8. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter.