<u>Statement Attributable to the Spokesperson for the Secretary-General</u> <u>On the second round of the Presidential election in Timor-Leste</u>

The Secretary-General congratulates the people of Timor-Leste for the successful conduct of the second round of the presidential election on 16 April.

The peaceful and orderly manner in which the people of Timor-Leste exercised their right to vote, reflects once again their commitment to stability, democracy and national unity.

The Secretary-General reiterates the continued commitment of the United Nations to supporting the forthcoming parliamentary election in July.

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