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The Presidential Vote

Presidential candidates Xanana Gusmao and Francisco Xavier do Amaral sent a message of unity when they cast their votes simultaneously at the same polling centre in Dili. Voting opened nationwide at 7:00 am with polls closing at 4:00 pm. More than 400,000 eligible voters countrywide were expected to vote. UN Transitional Administrator Sergio Vieira de Mello took time to observe the mood of the elections. The Independent Electoral Commission will announce the preliminary official results on Wednesday, after which the Board of Commissioners will certify or nullify them.

