

**SUMMARY OF KEY EVENTS FOR
EAST TIMOR'S INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS
19-20 MAY 2002**

Sunday, 19 May 2002

- 14:30 – Inauguration of Expo Esperança Timor Leste 2002
15:00
- 17:00 – Official Reception for Visiting Delegations**
19:30 *International People's Park*
(staggered arrivals and departures)
- 18:00 – Missa Campal – Mass Commences
19:30 *Taci Tolo*
- 21:30 – Official Programme Commences at Taci Tolo**
- Prelude and Welcome Segment**
- Greeting of Dignitaries**
- Cultural Ceremony**
- Address by President of the United Nations General Assembly**
- Address by United Nations Secretary-General**
- Secretary-General Hands Over Authority from the United Nations
to the Speaker of East Timor's National Parliament**
- Lowering of the United Nations Flag**

***SENIOR MEMBERS OF ALL DELEGATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND EVENTS HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD. ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE OPTIONAL, BY INVITATION OR AS OTHERWISE INDICATED.**

Monday, 20 MAY 2002, Independence Day

- 00:00 –**
- Declaration of Independence by the Speaker of East Timor's National Parliament**
 - Raising of East Timor Flag and Singing of the National Song**
 - Ecumenical Blessing**
 - Official Oath of Office Administered to President Elect by the Speaker of East Timor's National Parliament**
 - East Timor President Addresses the Nation**
- 00:30 –**
- Dedication of Garden of Heroes and Raising of Giant Flag**
 - Fireworks Grand Finale
 - Post-Ceremony Entertainment

Monday, 20 May 2002 (following morning)

- 09:00 –** **Swearing-in Ceremony for the Government of East Timor**
09:45 *Front of GPA, Building 1*
- 09:45 –** **Independence Day Street Parade passes GPA**
10:15
- 10:30 –** **Inaugural Meeting of East Timor’s National Parliament**
11:30 *National Parliament Building*
- Vote to Accede to Multilateral Treaties**
- Signing of Multilateral Treaties**
- 14:30 – Extraordinary Summit of the Community of Portuguese
15:30 Speaking Nations (CPLP)
 GPA, Building 1, Press Conference Room
- 16:00 – Dedication of Independence Monument (timing to be confirmed)
16:30 *Park across from Dili Port*
- 16:00 – Independence Day Music Concert
00:00 *Taci Tolo*
- 18:30 – Dinner co-hosted by the Government of East Timor and the World Bank
21:00 *Uma Fukun – East Timor Cultural Centre (to be confirmed)*