



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE
TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Thank you Mr. President,

Timor-Leste warmly welcomes H.E. _____
and his delegation, and commends them for the comprehensive report presented today.

We appreciate the country continuous efforts to promote the realization of all human rights. Timor-Leste wishes to commend the American Government for its permanent support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Timor-Leste also notes with appreciation the creation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program and the release of the report on CIA interrogation practices.

Although we recognize the efforts made by the Government to address the large number of gun-related deaths and injuries that disproportionately affects African Americans, we would like to recommend US to continue its efforts to undertake all necessary measures to prevent misconduct and excessive use of police force.

Timor-Leste wishes to recommend the United States to:

- Ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- Ratify the Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

I thank you, Mr. President.

Sebastiana Barros

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