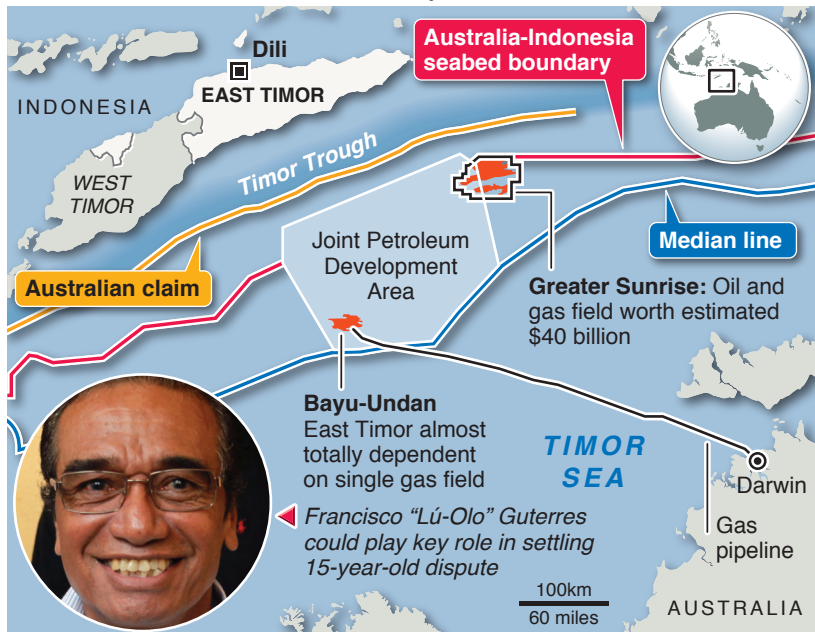


East Timor-Australia maritime dispute

New East Timorese president Francisco Guterres is expected to push his country's claim to the resource-rich Timor Sea as negotiations with Australia continue over a permanent maritime border



EAST TIMOR: Won key victory in Jan 2017 when Australia agreed to scrap controversial 2006 Greater Sunrise revenue sharing deal and negotiate permanent border overseen by international court in The Hague. Median line between East Timor and Australia backed by **UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)**



AUSTRALIA: Maintains that border should lie closer to East Timor, at edge of Australia's continental shelf. Since 2002, has granted 90 percent of production revenues from energy resources within **Joint Petroleum Development Area** to East Timor, but development of Greater Sunrise field remains frozen