UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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JANE DOE, :

: CA No. 00-674

Plaintiffs,

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v.

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JOHNY LUMINTANG, : DAY 1

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Defendant.

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Washington, D.C. March 27, 2001 9:30 a.m.

Transcript of Bench Trial
Before the Honorable Judge
Alan Kay
United States District Court Magistrate

APPEARANCES:

For the Plaintiffs: ANTHONY P. DICAPRIO,

ESQ.

JUDITH BROWN CHOMSKY, ESQ. JENNIFER GREEN,

ESQ.

R. BRIAN HENDRIX, ESQ. STEVEN M. SCHNEEBAUM,

ESQ.

For the Defendant: None.

Court Reporter: TRISTAN-JOSEPH

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WITNESSES FOR THE

PLAINTIFFS

Richard Tanter 28, 123 -- --

John Doe 3 156 -- --

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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- THE CLERK: Civil Action 2000-674. Jane
- 3 Doe versus Johnnie Lumintang. Jennifer Green,
- 4 Steve Schneebaum, Brian Hendrix, Judith Chomsky,
- 5 and Anthony DiCaprio representing the plaintiffs.
- No counsel and no defendants present, Your
- 7 Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: The Court has before it three
- 9 motions for admission pro hac vice; is that
- 10 correct? Who's acting as lead counsel, Mr.
- 11 Schneebaum?
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Your Honor, I filed the
- 13 motions. Mr. DiCaprio is lead counsel assuming the
- 14 Court grants the motion.
- THE COURT: All right. Well, Mr.
- 16 Schneebaum, we need someone who is a member of the
- 17 bar to make the motion. The plaintiffs
- 18 unfortunately are not members of the bar. So you
- 19 have been nominated.
- 20 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: I filed the motions. I
- 21 am a member of the bar of the Court and that's
- 22 why--
- 23 THE COURT: Very well. If you'll go ahead
- 24 and make your motions on the ... the motions I have
- 25 before me are not signed. So--

- 1 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Your Honor, what happened
- 2 here--
- 3 THE COURT: Unless there's a--
- 4 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: --we filed these motions
- 5 yesterday and we--oh, actually, I think we filed
- 6 them last week. We got a call from the Clerk's
- 7 office yesterday that inadvertently the proposed
- 8 forms of order had been omitted from the motions.
- 9 We messengered the proposed forms of order to the
- 10 Clerk's office, but apparently they didn't get
- 11 attached last night in the Clerk's office.
- 12 So what you have before you is a copy--
- 13 THE COURT: A copy.
- 14 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: --that I happened to have
- 15 with me. I'll be pleased to sign it if Your Honor,
- 16 please--
- 17 THE COURT: I see. I see. But it's your
- 18 representation that all three motions have indeed
- 19 been filed.
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: They have indeed, yes,
- 21 sir.
- 22 THE COURT: Very well. Why don't you make
- the motions orally, Mr. Schneebaum, and we'll take
- 24 care of them one at a time.
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Well, the motions are for

- 1 the admission pro hac vice of Jennifer Green,
- 2 Anthony DiCaprio, and Judith Chomsky.
- 3 THE COURT: I don't have a motion for
- 4 Jennifer Green. I have a motion for Susan Shaw
- 5 Roberts.
- 6 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Actually, Your Honor,
- 7 Jennifer Green is a member of this bar, so there's
- 8 no motion before the Court.
- 9 THE COURT: Oh, is that right? Okay.
- 10 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: They're just
- 11 applications, Your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: Well, I also have a motion for
- 13 the admission of Susan Shawn Roberts.
- 14 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: That's a third person.
- 15 I'm sorry, that's quite right. Susan Shawn Roberts
- 16 is the third person, not Jennifer Green. So it's
- 17 Shawn Roberts, Anthony DiCaprio, and Judith
- 18 Chomsky.
- 19 THE COURT: All right. And Ms. Roberts is
- 20 a member of the bar of the Supreme Court of
- 21 California; is that correct?
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes, that's correct.
- 23 THE COURT: And she's currently a member
- 24 in good standing.
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes, that is my

- 1 understanding.
- THE COURT: And you vouch for her, Mr.
- 3 Schneebaum.
- 4 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: I do, yes, sir.
- 5 THE COURT: Very well. Similarly with Ms.
- 6 Chomsky?
- 7 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Ms. Chomsky is a member
- 8 of the bar of Pennsylvania and currently--
- 9 THE COURT: All right. And currently is a
- 10 member in good standing.
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes, she is.
- 12 THE COURT: And Mr. DiCaprio is a member
- of the bar of the State of New York?
- 14 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: State of New York, yes.
- THE COURT: And also is a member in good
- 16 standing.
- 17 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes.
- 18 THE COURT: Very well. The Court will
- 19 admit Ms. Chomsky, Ms. Roberts, and Mr. DiCaprio
- 20 pro hac vice for the purposes of this case.
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Thank you, sir.
- 22 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Schneebaum. The
- 23 Court will sign the order.
- 24 (Document signed by the Court.)
- 25 THE COURT: Do you want to swear in the

- 1 interpreter at this time.
- 2 THE CLERK: Oh, certainly.
- Would the interpreter, please, stand and
- 4 raise his right hand.
- 5 ISILIO COELHO, INTERPRETER, SWORN
- 6 THE COURT: Your last name is Mr. Coelho;
- 7 is that correct?
- 8 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 9 THE COURT: I see. And your first name
- 10 is?
- 11 THE INTERPRETER: Isilio.
- 12 THE COURT: Isilio. I see. So
- 13 that--thank you, Mr. Coelho.
- 14 Counsel, the Court understands that this
- 15 matter is before the Court today for trial or
- 16 evidentiary hearing on the issue of damages alone.
- 17 Is that correct, Mr. DiCaprio? And the liability
- issues has been resolved by the granting of the
- 19 default judgment by Judge Kessler.
- 20 You contemplating putting on live
- 21 witnesses?
- 22 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, we are, Your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: And how many witnesses do you
- 24 anticipate will be called?
- MR. DICAPRIO: I believe, Your Honor, we

- 1 have a total of five or six witnesses, three of
- 2 whom are experts. We also have testimony which we
- 3 hope to present to the Court, which was done by
- 4 video deposition in East Timor. That was done on
- 5 February 26 and February 27. One of those
- 6 depositions is a deposition of one of the
- 7 plaintiffs, and the other deposition is the
- 8 deposition of a witness to some of the events that
- 9 resulted in the death of one of the plaintiffs.
- 10 THE COURT: All right. The witnesses are
- 11 listed in the pleadings as Jane Does and John Does.
- 12 Will they be identified any further during this
- 13 hearing?
- 14 MR. DICAPRIO: We were going to ask the
- 15 Court for permission to continue to use their
- 16 pseudonyms because of the situation in which they
- 17 live. There is some grave concern about
- 18 retaliation as a result of their bringing this
- 19 action on an Indonesian military officer. We have
- 20 an order which has permitted that to this point,
- 21 and we were hoping that this Court would also allow
- 22 it.
- 23 THE COURT: Are the actual names of record
- 24 in the jacket under seal?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor, they're

1 under seal. And apparently Ms. Green went to the

- 2 Clerk's office yesterday and they are in an
- 3 affidavit and they are in the Clerk's vault.
- 4 THE COURT: Well, the Court will continue
- 5 to preserve the anonymity of the plaintiffs
- 6 throughout this hearing and until further order of
- 7 the Court.
- 8 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: They will be identified as
- 10 numerically as Jane Doe 1, 2, 3, et cetera?
- 11 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes. There is a Jane Doe
- 12 1, and that is the only female plaintiff.
- 13 THE COURT: Right. The rest our John
- 14 Does?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Judge.
- THE COURT: One through what? Five?
- 17 MR. DICAPRIO: One through five.
- 18 THE COURT: One through five.
- 19 Mr. DiCaprio, do you know whether there
- 20 was proposed findings of fact and conclusions of
- 21 law that was submitted I think to the Chambers of
- 22 Judge Kessler? Were they also filed with the
- 23 Court?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor, they
- 25 were--

- 1 THE COURT: All right.
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: --by local counsel.
- THE COURT: Ms. Kay, do you know.
- THE CLERK: No. It comes up as unsealed.
- 5 THE COURT: Unsealed. All right.
- 6 Was there a request to unseal the file,
- 7 Mr. DiCaprio? Are you aware of that?
- 8 MR. DICAPRIO: I don't believe--
- 9 MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes, there was.
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: Was there?
- 11 Yes, Judge.
- 12 THE COURT: And Judge Kessler ruled on
- 13 that?
- MR. SCHNEEBAUM: Yes, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Very well. Thank you. Fine.
- How do you wish to proceed, Mr. DiCaprio?
- 17 Do you wish to make an opening statement?
- 18 MR. DICAPRIO: With the Court's
- 19 permission, Your Honor, I would like to make an
- 20 opening statement. I will try to keep it as brief
- 21 as is possible.
- 22 THE COURT: You anticipate three days; is
- 23 that correct?
- MR. DICAPRIO: We do, Judge. Although--
- THE COURT: Now, are your witnesses here?

- 1 You say you have three expert witnesses; is that
- 2 correct?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: And they are experts in what
- 5 field?
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: Our first witness is
- 7 present today in the courtroom. He's professor
- 8 Richard Tanter. He is a professor at the
- 9 University in Kyoto, Japan. He teaches
- 10 international relations. He also has his PhD, and
- 11 his area of specialty was the Indonesian Military
- 12 Intelligence Complex.
- 13 THE COURT: So the Professor Tanto--
- MR. DICAPRIO: Tanter, T-A-N-T-E-R.
- THE COURT: T-E-R, Tanter.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 17 THE COURT: Professor Tanter is here today
- 18 and he's prepared to testify?
- 19 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, he is, Your Honor.
- 20 He'll be our first witness.
- 21 THE COURT: The experts are not here
- 22 today?
- MR. DICAPRIO: The other two are--no, they
- 24 are not, Judge.
- 25 THE COURT: I see. And you anticipate

- 1 they will be--
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 3 THE COURT: --called tomorrow or the day
- 4 after or?
- 5 MR. DICAPRIO: I presume that one of the
- 6 experts will be called tomorrow. That's Professor
- 7 Theodore Fokey (phonetic). He is a film producer
- 8 and worked for the United Nations in East Timor.
- 9 THE COURT: I see. No. I'm trying to get
- 10 the logistics of how you anticipate having your
- 11 witnesses and presenting your testimony.
- MR. DICAPRIO: I'm prepared to give the
- 13 Court a road map of exactly what we intend to do.
- 14 And I know that the case is unusual from the
- 15 perspective that it is a default, and we are asking
- 16 the Court to a substantial amount of time to hear
- 17 proof. And we're sensitive to that fact, and I
- 18 would like to explain the reasons for that.
- 19 I also would like to start out by thanking
- 20 the Court, all of us do, for the Court's
- 21 willingness to hear this case now. I know that the
- 22 Court had a number of matters that had to be
- 23 cleared from the Court's documents. So thank you,
- 24 Your Honor.
- 25 Your Honor, the case is an unusual case

- 1 for a number of reasons. And we recognize that
- 2 much of the testimony that we will be presenting is
- 3 disturbing. And that's one of the aspects of this
- 4 case which is unusual. One of the other aspects of
- 5 the case that the Court has noted that is unusual
- 6 is that we are presenting live witnesses. And the
- 7 witness--We're doing this, Your Honor, is because
- 8 the acts perpetrated upon the plaintiffs were of
- 9 such a brutal nature that they really cannot be
- 10 communicated effectively, other than through their
- 11 testimony. The types of acts that are outside of
- 12 our normal experience, and I think unless we
- 13 actually hear the proof, it's difficult to grasp
- 14 the true severity of these acts.
- 15 Also, Your Honor, I think the Court will
- 16 find--we hope the Court will find that the
- 17 defendant perpetrated not only these acts, but acts
- 18 against the entire population of East Timor in his
- 19 position in the Indonesian Military. And because
- 20 of the egregious nature of these acts, we are
- 21 seeking both compensatory and punitive damages.
- 22 As the Court has recognized, there has
- 23 been a judgement of default, which was dated
- November 8, 2000, whereby the defendant was found
- 25 to be legally responsible for war crimes, crimes

- 1 against humanity, gross violations of Human Rights,
- 2 and other systematic and...
- We're also here, Your Honor, pursuant to
- 4 the provisions of the Torture Victims Protection
- 5 Act which was passed in 1992 and which verified and
- 6 justified the holding in the famous case of
- 7 Florida.
- 8 And finally, and perhaps most importantly,
- 9 Judge, we're before this Court in this jurisdiction
- 10 because the defendant was present in this
- 11 jurisdiction. He committed the acts that we
- 12 alleged and this may be the only form in which
- 13 these plaintiffs can address those acts.
- 14 THE COURT: He was served in this
- 15 jurisdiction, Mr. DiCaprio?
- 16 MR. DICAPRIO: I believe, Your Honor, he
- 17 was served in the airport at Dulles. Your Honor, I
- 18 would just like to give the Court a very brief
- 19 history and just to orient the Court to where East
- 20 Timor is, if I may.
- 21 THE COURT: Surely.
- 22 MR. DICAPRIO: Your Honor, this is the
- 23 Island of East Timor (indicating), which is
- 24 approximately the size of Massachusetts.
- 25 THE COURT: Do you contemplate introducing

1 anything that you refer to into evidence? If you

- do, Mr. DiCaprio, I hope it's been identified.
- 3 MR. DICAPRIO: I believe it has been
- 4 marked, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: So that the record is clear,
- 6 if you're referring to any exhibit or potential
- 7 exhibit, if you could use the exhibit number, it
- 8 would be helpful.
- 9 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor. This is
- 10 the eastern portion of the Island of Timor. The
- 11 western portion of the Island of Timor is currently
- 12 part of the Indonesian Nation. To orient the
- 13 Court, in terms of--
- 14 THE COURT: You said that is the Island of
- 15 Timor?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 17 THE COURT: So there is a single island
- 18 called Timor which is divided out into East Timor
- 19 and West Timor; is that correct?
- 20 MR. DICAPRIO: That's correct, Your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: Where is the boundary on the
- 22 map that you made reference to earlier?
- 23 MR. DICAPRIO: This is the western portion
- 24 of the island, which is West Timor. What we've
- 25 presented in Exhibit No. 1 is East Timor.

- 1 THE COURT: So what's depicted there is
- 2 just East Timor? The island continues on beyond
- 3 that?
- 4 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: I see.
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: And here is a map which
- 7 place East Timor between Indonesia and Australia.
- 8 It's about an hour and a half plane ride west of
- 9 Darwin, and the Island of Timor is located right
- 10 here (indicating).
- 11 THE COURT: I see.
- 12 MR. DICAPRIO: This Exhibit No. 2, Your
- 13 Honor. And to further--
- 14 THE COURT: On the original exhibits that
- 15 you were referring to of East Timor is
- 16 exhibit--what's the number of that exhibit?
- 17 MR. DICAPRIO: That's Exhibit No. 1.
- 18 THE COURT: That's Exhibit No. 1?
- 19 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes. Exhibit No. 2 further
- 20 orients the location of Timor and between Indonesia
- 21 and Australia. And that is located, Your Honor,
- 22 right here (indicating.)
- 23 The reason the island is broken into West
- 24 and East Timor is because during the Colonial days,
- 25 the western portion of the island was a Dutch

- 1 Colony. The eastern portion of the island was a
- 2 Portuguese Colony. And the '40s when Indonesia
- 3 became an independent nation, West Timor became
- 4 part of Indonesia. East Timor remained a Colony of
- 5 Portugal until approximately the 1970s when the
- 6 Portuguese Empire started to decline.
- 7 And in 1975, on November, 28, 1975, East
- 8 Timor declared its independence from Portugal. The
- 9 acts that started the process for which we
- 10 ultimately are here today, Your Honor, began on or
- about December 7--excuse me, December 6, 1975, when
- 12 Indonesia invaded East Timor.
- 13 This invasion was a brutal invasion, was
- 14 followed by genocidal acts. And during the period
- of 1975 through 1979, roughly one-third of the
- 16 population was killed. That was about 200,000
- 17 people. Since 1979, the Indonesian Rule has been
- 18 extremely repressive. There have been numerous
- 19 executions, force disappearances. The people of
- 20 East Timor have been subject to the most horrendous
- 21 forms of torture and repression.
- 22 One of the dates that's important to the
- 23 people of East Timor is the date of November 12,
- 24 1991. That date was the date of a massacre that
- 25 took place in a cemetery outside of Dili, which is

- 1 the capitol of East Timor, and I'll try to locate
- 2 that. It's right here, Your Honor (indicating), on
- 3 the northern part of the island, like toward the
- 4 west.
- 5 The Indonesian Military opened fire upon
- 6 hundreds of people who had been present at the
- 7 Santa Cruz cemetery peacefully mourning the death
- 8 of one of their young men who had been murdered by
- 9 the Indonesian Military.
- 10 The violence inflicted upon East Timorese
- 11 continued with some international attention as a
- 12 result of Santa Cruz. Eventually, once the
- 13 President of Indonesia, President Habibie, took
- 14 control in January of 1999, he announced that the
- 15 people of East Timor would be allowed to have a
- 16 vote referred to as the Popular Consultation. They
- 17 would be given two choices. They could remain as
- 18 an autonomous, yet integrated part of Indonesia, or
- 19 they could be an independent nation.
- 20 Following that announcement, the
- 21 repression, the torture, and the acts, which we
- 22 allege in the complaint, increased with greater and
- 23 rather intensity.
- 24 Eventually, there was a Popular
- 25 Consultation, which was held on August 30, 1999.

- 1 And despite the fact that there was this
- 2 repression, 98 percent of the population turned out
- 3 to vote, and almost 79 percent of the population
- 4 voted for independence. As a result of that vote,
- 5 there was a waive of terror that was inflicted on
- 6 the East Timorese by the Indonesian Military, which
- 7 resulted in the acts for which we are here today.
- 8 Your Honor, there are three plaintiffs who
- 9 are present that I would like to identify for the
- 10 Court by showing them to the Court.
- Jane No. 1 is in the first bench. She is
- 12 here on her behalf. She was subject to the initial
- 13 invasion in 1975. Her home was burned down and she
- 14 was subsequently in term. And when she was
- 15 seven-months pregnant and was not released until
- 16 about two weeks before the birth of her child.
- 17 She also appears on behalf of her son,
- 18 John Doe 1, who was a very young man, a political
- 19 activist who was at the time, after the Popular
- 20 Consultation, went into hiding, but subsequently
- 21 encountered Indonesian Military. He was shot
- 22 because it was impossible to receive medical
- 23 attention. He ultimately--his foot ultimately
- 24 became infected and he subsequently died.
- John Doe 2, Your Honor, who is next to

- 1 Jane Doe 1, had a similar experience as John Doe 1.
- 2 John Doe 2 went into hiding and eventually when his
- 3 food, and those the food of the other people he was
- 4 with, ran out he returned to Dili. He encountered
- 5 Indonesian soldiers. They beat him. They took him
- 6 back to the barracks, beat him with a gun, and he
- 7 was shot. And because he was unable to get medical
- 8 attention, his left foot was amputated.
- 9 John Doe 3, Your Honor, is a Human Rights
- 10 activist in East Timor, and he had been very active
- 11 prior to the Popular Consultation educating the
- 12 people. He had been arrested a number of times
- 13 after the announcement of the results of the
- 14 Consultation on September of 1999.
- 15 He was deported to West Timor where he
- 16 remained for approximately one month. He also
- 17 brings this case on behalf of his father, John Doe
- 18 4. John Doe 4, after the Popular Consultation was
- 19 announced, was subjected to--his home was burned
- 20 down and he and most of his family were required to
- 21 flee their home. John Doe 3 also presents this
- 22 case on behalf of his deceased brother, his older
- 23 brother, John Doe 5, who was brutally tortured,
- 24 mutilated, and then murdered.
- 25 Your Honor, I made a reference to

- 1 Professor Tanter. And Professor Tanter will
- 2 establish a number of things. First of all, he
- 3 will establish that the defendant had a career as a
- 4 military officer in the Indonesian Military. He
- 5 not only took part in the initial invasion of East
- 6 Timor in 1975 as a junior officer, but he was also
- 7 present in other areas in Indonesia where gross
- 8 acts of Human Rights abuses took place.
- 9 From 1990 onward, the defendant had a very
- 10 successful career in the Indonesian Military. He
- 11 became and was a well experienced infantry member.
- 12 And in 1998 or 1999, he reached the rank of
- 13 Lieutenant General.
- In 1999, and during the period of time
- 15 which the allegations in this lawsuit referred to,
- 16 he was the Army Deputy Chief of Staff and,
- 17 therefore, he was the principal aide of the Army
- 18 Chief of Staff. He was third in command. Above
- 19 him was the Chief of Staff and above the Chief of
- 20 Staff was the Commander of the Armed Forces.
- 21 Dr. Tanter will provide testimony that the
- 22 defendant was aware of the acts that took place was
- 23 knew and should have known of the acts that were
- 24 going to take place. And more importantly, Your
- 25 Honor, he helped to prepare a military manual which

- 1 provided the description of the types of skills an
- 2 Indonesian Military would have, such as terror,
- 3 kidnapping, psychological operations, sabotage, and
- 4 agitation.
- 5 THE COURT: You stated, Mr. DiCaprio,
- 6 Professor Tanter was No. 3 in command; is that
- 7 correct?
- 8 MR. DICAPRIO: Now, the defendant was the
- 9 third most--
- 10 THE COURT: No. 3?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 12 THE COURT: I see. Was Professor Tanter
- 13 at that time in the Indonesian Military?
- MR. DICAPRIO: No, he wasn't.
- 15 THE COURT: I see. I see.
- MR. DICAPRIO: No. Your Honor,
- 17 he--Professor Tanter is an Australian--
- 18 THE COURT: I see.
- 19 MR. DICAPRIO: --who has studied and
- 20 written extensively.
- 21 THE COURT: Correct. So you're referring
- 22 to the Defendant Lumintang who came up through the
- 23 rank and became No. 3--
- MR. DICAPRIO: That's correct.
- 25 THE COURT: --during the relevant period

- 1 here?
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: That's correct, Your Honor.
- 3 THE COURT: The No. 1 was the Army Chief
- 4 of Staff. Was he located in East Timor or was he
- 5 located in Indonesia?
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: I believe he was located in
- 7 Indonesia, Your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: So essentially the defendant
- 9 was No. 2 in the hiearchy located in East Timor; is
- 10 that correct?
- MR. DICAPRIO: He was the No. 2 in the
- 12 military, and part of his responsibility was East
- 13 Timor.
- 14 THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. DICAPRIO: And part of his role--
- 16 THE COURT: Was he located physically in
- 17 East Timor or--
- 18 MR. DICAPRIO: He was in and out of East
- 19 Timor regularly, Your Honor. I believe he had
- 20 other obligations. But as it relates to this
- 21 lawsuit, part of his duties included the
- 22 organization, implementation, and the effectuation
- 23 of the policy that ultimately drove hundreds of
- 24 thousands of the East Timorese in deportation in
- 25 West Timor after the vote was announced and the

- 1 massive destruction that occurred.
- 2 It was his job to carry out the plan. And
- 3 Professor Tanter will describe the very copious
- 4 plans made by the Indonesian Military in concert
- 5 with Indonesian militia to effectuate the
- 6 devastation.
- 7 As I mentioned, Your Honor, we have also
- 8 Theodore Fokey, who will present a brief video to
- 9 give the Court an idea of what East Timor looks
- 10 like and to give the Court some sense of the
- 11 destruction. And Stella Xbock (phonetic), who is a
- 12 clinical licensed social worker, has evaluated each
- 13 of the plaintiffs. And she will testify as to
- 14 their current--she will provide a diagnosis and a
- 15 prognosis to the Court.
- 16 Our first witness, as I indicated, will be
- 17 Professor Tanter. And Professor Tanter will be
- 18 questioned and presented by Judith Chomsky.
- 19 THE COURT: All right.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Your Honor, thank you.
- 21 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Mr.
- 22 DiCaprio.
- Ms. Chomsky or Mr. DiCaprio, I assume Dr.
- 24 Tanter and the other experts are going to be
- 25 discussing the circumstances of the environment, if

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1 you will, that led up to the--
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- 2 MS. CHOMSKY: Injured.
- 3 THE COURT: --injuries that occurred. With
- 4 respect to the damage component, there's going to
- 5 be testimony from, what, individuals, a videotape
- 6 will go to the damages. That is the simple issue
- 7 before this courtroom assessment in measurement of
- 8 damages?
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: I believe that the testimony
- 10 of the individual plaintiffs will go to the issue
- 11 of compensatory damages, but we believe the expert
- 12 testimony; that is, the testimony especially of
- 13 Professor Tanter, goes to the issue of punitive
- 14 damages.
- THE COURT: Very well. You may proceed
- 16 then.
- 17 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you.
- 18 THE COURT: Swear in Dr. Tanter.
- 19 RICHARD TANTER, PLAINTIFFS' WITNESS, SWORN
- 20 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 22 Q Professor Tanter, could you briefly tell
- 23 us where you're employed--
- 24 THE COURT: Can we have his name
- 25 officially, Ms. Chomsky--

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1 MS. CHOMSKY: It's Richard Tanter.
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- THE COURT: No, no. I would like it from
- 3 the--
- 4 MS. CHOMSKY: Okay.
- 5 THE COURT: --witness under oath.
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: Okay.
- 7 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 8 Q Would you, please, give us your name and
- 9 present residence.
- 10 A My name is Richard Tanter. I presently
- 11 live in Kyoto, Japan.
- 12 Q And by whom are you employed?
- 13 A Kyoto Seika University. Seika, S-E-I-K-A.
- 14 O And where is that located?
- 15 A In the City of Kyoto in Japan.
- 16 Q Would you describe the area of your
- 17 specialization?
- 18 A I am a specialist in international
- 19 relations and in comparative politics; in
- 20 particular, Indonesia and Japan. And I have worked
- 21 on the area of Indonesia, which in this case
- 22 includes East Timor for some decades now.
- 23 THE COURT: Could we briefly have
- 24 Professor Tanter's C.V. or educational background?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, I'm about to ask him

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- THE COURT: Very well.
- 3 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 4 O I'm showing you what's been marked Exhibit
- 5 4 and ask you identify it.
- 6 A This--
- 7 MS. CHOMSKY: And I'm going to hand up a
- 8 copy to the Court.
- 9 THE COURT: Yes.
- 10 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 11 Q Professor Tanter, can you identify what's
- 12 been marked as Exhibit 4?
- 13 A Yes. This is my curriculum vitae. It
- 14 lists my education, present position, teaching
- 15 responsibilities, prior academic experience, and
- 16 principle publications, and unpublished papers,
- 17 conference papers.
- 18 O Professor Tanter, do you speak and read
- 19 Indonesian?
- 20 A I read Indonesian. My spoken Indonesian
- 21 is now sadly declined since I've been living in
- 22 Japan for 12 years.
- 23 Q But you do read?
- 24 A I do, indeed, read Indonesian, yes.
- Q Do you lecture at the Military College in

- 1 Australia?
- 2 A No. I lecture at the Australian Defense
- 3 College, which is a little different. The Defense
- 4 College is for senior commanders at Brigadoon
- 5 General, and major, general level.
- 6 Q And what is the area about which you
- 7 lecture?
- 8 A When I lecture as a guest lecture there, I
- 9 lecture on East Asian security issues and, in
- 10 particular, on Japanese security policy.
- 11 Q And do you also work as a guest lecture
- 12 for the United Nations University?
- 13 A I have done so, yes.
- 14 Q Would you tell the Court, please, your
- 15 most recent work with regard to the Indonesian
- 16 Military and to East Timor.
- 17 A A book has been published just this month
- in the United States called Bitter Flowers, Sweet
- 19 Flowers. East Timor, Indonesia and the world
- 20 community is by myself, Max Feldon, and Stephen
- 21 Shalom. And in the course of that book, I also
- 22 wrote an introduction and conclusion in a major
- 23 article that's, entitled, East Timor and the Crisis
- 24 of the Indonesian Intelligence State.
- I've also been writing recently on--more

- 1 comprehensively on Indonesian Intelligence State
- 2 after the end of the circle new order period, which
- 3 is a period of President Suharto from 1966 to 1998.
- 4 MS. CHOMSKY: Your Honor, I'd like to
- 5 offer the testimony of Professor Tanter as an
- 6 expert.
- 7 THE COURT: The Court will accept Mr.
- 8 Tanter's testimony as an expert in Indonesian--what
- 9 field?
- 10 MS. CHOMSKY: In the Indonesian Military.
- 11 THE COURT: An expert in the Indonesian
- 12 Military?
- 13 MS. CHOMSKY: Yes. The structure of the
- 14 Indonesian Military.
- THE COURT: Professor Tanter, specifically
- 16 with respect to the Indonesian Military--
- 17 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 18 THE COURT: --as an academic and scholar,
- 19 you acquire your knowledge of Indonesian Military
- 20 how?
- 21 THE WITNESS: In particular in the work I
- 22 undertook from my doctoral dissertation at Monesh
- 23 University--
- 24 THE COURT: Monesh University in
- 25 Australia?

1 THE WITNESS: In Melbourne, Australia. And

- 2 the title of the dissertation, which in the
- 3 Australia system, that's all there is, is a
- 4 dissertation. So it's pretty large. Is entitled
- 5 Intelligence Agencies and Third War Militarization,
- 6 a case study of Indonesia. And it specifically
- 7 focused on the Indonesia Military Intelligence
- 8 Organizations, which are an extremely important
- 9 part of all the Indonesian Military.
- 10 As part of that I was, of course,
- 11 required, and as part of the background, I had
- 12 extensive experience in analyzing in the role of
- 13 the Indonesian Armed Forces as a military and a
- 14 political--
- THE COURT: And this was, what, prior to
- 16 the dissertation or subsequently?
- 17 THE WITNESS: Well, in fact, Your Honor,
- 18 it's been something I--my undergraduate work back
- in the early '70s was in both Political Science and
- 20 Indonesian Studies. And I've subsequently been
- 21 involved for many years, particularly through
- 22 working on East Timor, with the study of Indonesia.
- 23 It's been a both simultaneous affair.
- 24 And I've regularly spoken in academic
- 25 conferences, academic makings, on the subject. And

- 1 undertaking visits to Indonesia and spoken with
- 2 Indonesian sources on this matter.
- 3 THE COURT: And how recently?
- 4 THE WITNESS: I have not been to Indonesia
- 5 for about five years, but I have been following
- 6 extensively through the media and through other
- 7 sources.
- 8 THE COURT: All right. The Court will
- 9 accept the testimony of Professor Tanter with
- 10 respect to his knowledge of Indonesia and the
- 11 Indonesian Military.
- MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your honor.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 14 Q Professor Tanter, I'm going to ask you--if
- 15 you need to, you can come down and approach the--
- 16 THE COURT: I'll give you permission to
- 17 approach the exhibit, Professor Tanter.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 19 Q Yes. Or if you're more comfortable
- 20 testifying from the witness stand.
- 21 Can you identify this document, which is
- 22 marked Exhibit 1?
- 23 A Yes. It's a map of what was at the time
- 24 the Indonesian Province of East Timor. It's
- 25 published by an Indonesian publisher in the City of

- 1 Jakarta.
- 2 Q And would you explain briefly to the Court
- 3 the relationship of East to West Timor.
- 4 A Certainly. During the process of the
- 5 European colonization of Southeast Asia and the
- 6 Indonesian Nacopelco (phonetic) from the 17th
- 7 Century onwards, the result was by the end of the
- 8 19th Century that the Island of Timor was divided
- 9 into two parts. The western part was under Dutch
- 10 control; the eastern part under Portuguese control.
- 11 When the Republic of Indonesia was formed
- 12 as a result of the war against the Dutch between
- 13 1945 and 1949, Dutch West Timor became part of the
- 14 Republic of Indonesia. East Timor remained as a
- 15 Portuguese Colony at that time. That was the
- 16 situation which prevailed up until December 1975.
- 17 Q Approximately what was the population of
- 18 East Timor in 1975?
- 19 A About 650,000.
- 20 Q Now, I'd like to just introduce a few
- 21 documents, Dr. Tanter, that will help the Court
- 22 follow the other testimony. Again, I'd just like
- 23 you to identify these additional maps for the
- 24 record just to have them authenticated.
- 25 (The witness left the stand and went to

- 1 the map.)
- 2 Q Now, I'm asking you to take a look at
- 3 Exhibit 2, which I'd appreciate if you identified
- 4 for the record.
- 5 A Yes. It's a map of Southeast Asia which
- 6 reaches between the areas of Australia at the
- 7 bottom and Mainland East Asia at the top.
- 9 Australia?
- 10 A About 400 kilometers. It takes about an
- 11 hour and a half by a fairly slow plane to get there
- 12 from the City of Darwin, the capital of the
- 13 northern territory of Australia.
- 14 O Has the Australian Intelligence Services
- 15 had a specific interest in what's going on in East
- 16 Timor?
- 17 A Yes, very much so for a long time. But
- 18 during the period of the Indonesian invasion in
- 19 December of '75 and in the run up to that
- 20 throughout the period of Indonesian occupation. But
- 21 in particular in the late 1990s, as it became clear
- 22 that something was going to change the situation,
- 23 the politics in Indonesia, and the sentiment East
- 24 Timor was rising to a pitch.
- 25 And in particular from the period of late

- 1 1998 through--well, until the present, of course.
- 2 But particularly during 1999 there was very, very
- 3 close attention paid to it both by electronic
- 4 surveillance and by 8:00 o'clock overflights, by
- 5 satellite imagery, and indeed by the landing of
- 6 Australian commanders to undertake intelligence
- 7 operations.
- 8 O And have the results of the surveillance
- 9 by the Australian Intelligence Services become
- 10 available to this scholarly community studying the
- 11 Indonesian Military?
- 12 A Yes, they have. In particular, the work
- 13 of Professor Desmond Ball, who is a distinguished
- 14 professor in the Strategic and Defense Study Center
- of the Australian National University, has recently
- 16 made available an article about to be published
- 17 called, Silent Witness, Australian and Intelligence
- 18 in East Timor.
- In that article, Professor Ball draws on
- 20 many published sources. There are many documents
- 21 which have been leaked to journalists from
- 22 different parts of the Australian Intelligence
- 23 Organization. I'd be happy to speak about that.
- 24 And also at some of his own sources. And
- 25 Professional Ball is a world-recognized expert on

- 1 intelligence matters, both at the super, power
- 2 level, between the United States and the Soviet
- 3 Union, and also in Eastern Southeast Asia.
- 4 O And now I'd like you to identify for the
- 5 record Exhibit 3.
- 6 A Yes. That's a map, entitled, The Pacific
- 7 Ocean, and it shows the whole of the Pacific from
- 8 the southern ocean reaching up to the Bering
- 9 Straight with North America and South America on
- 10 one side and East and Southeast Asia on the other.
- 11 Q I'd like to show you now Exhibit 4. I'm
- 12 sorry, Exhibit 5. Can you identify that for me?
- 13 A Yes. It is a document, entitled,
- 14 Crinology. It was compiled by Jerry Van Clinkon
- 15 (phonetic), myself, Jeffrey Gunn, and Stephen
- 16 Shalom. It appears as part of a special issue, a
- 17 special double-issue, of the journal, titled,
- 18 Bulletin of Concern East Asia--sorry--Bulletin of
- 19 Concerning East Asian Scholars. It appeared in
- 20 March 2000. Yeah, I think that's all.
- 21 MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like to move Exhibit 5
- 22 into evidence.
- 23 THE COURT: Very well. Plaintiffs'
- 24 Exhibit 5 for identification will be admitted into
- 25 evidence.

1 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit No.

- 2 5 was received into
- 3 evidence.]
- 4 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 5 Q I'd now like to show you Exhibit 6.
- 6 (Document handed to witness.)
- 7 A I believe I have to copies here.
- 8 O Okay. Thank you.
- 9 A This document entitled, Glossary, which
- 10 begins on the right-hand side of the facing page,
- 11 was the glossary prepared by the editors of that
- 12 special double-issue of the Bulletin Concerning
- 13 East Asian Scholars and which had the title--the
- 14 issue at the title, East Timor, Indonesia, and the
- 15 World. And the glossary was prepared by the
- 16 editors primarily referring to Indonesian and
- 17 Portuguese, words which appear relevant to that
- 18 discussion.
- 19 Q Now, I'd like you just to explain to the
- 20 Judge a few of these words that appear in that
- 21 glossary. The first one being T-N-I.
- 22 A The TNI is an acronym for Tenata
- 23 (phonetic) National Indonesia, which means the
- 24 national--I'm sorry, the Armed Forces of Indonesia
- 25 or the Indonesia Armed Forces.

- 1 Q And the other one being C-N-R-T.
- 2 A CNRT, it appears, is the--I won't
- 3 pronounce it in Portuguese. It stands in English
- 4 for the National Council of Timorese Resistance.
- 5 Q And is that now the government of East
- 6 Timor?
- 7 A No. East Timor is, in fact, governed by
- 8 the United Nations. And by the United Nations
- 9 administration for East Timor is the intention of
- 10 the Security Council to consider the Independents
- 11 of East Timor within two years. During the time of
- 12 this administration the CNRT is regarded by the
- 13 UNTAET, the Union Administration as a
- 14 Representative of the East Timorese people.
- 15 MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like to move into
- 16 evidence Exhibit 6.
- 17 THE COURT: Professor, the chronology and
- 18 the glossary, you indicated are a part of a
- 19 double-issue of a Bulletin of Concerned Asian
- 20 Scholars?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- 22 THE COURT: Perhaps you could take a
- 23 moment and tell me what the Bulletin of Concerned
- 24 Asian Scholars is? And you say a double-issue--
- 25 THE WITNESS: Right.

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1 THE COURT: --is the magazine that
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- 2 contains articles, but because this chronology and
- 3 glossary relate to a particular article. And if
- 4 you know, I think at the completeness of the record
- 5 it would be helpful to have the name of the article
- 6 to which this glossary and chronology relate.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor. The
- 8 Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars is an academic
- 9 journal, a refereed journal, of high repute, which
- 10 has been in existence for some 25 years or more.
- 11 The special--
- 12 THE COURT: Have you contributed?
- 13 THE WITNESS: I am a contributor, yeah.
- 14 THE COURT: Go ahead.
- THE WITNESS: And I'm also on the--
- THE COURT: So it would, of course, have
- 17 to be of high review.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry?
- 19 THE COURT: It would, of course, have to
- 20 be of high review.
- 21 (Laughter.)
- 22 THE WITNESS: I'm delighted that you've
- 23 mentioned that point. It escapes -- sometimes
- 24 escapes people's notice.
- 25 The special double-issue--to explain

- 1 briefly, the journal occasionally has specialty
- 2 shoes on selected topics. They're usually prepared
- 3 very well in advance. The principal editors of the
- 4 Bulletin decided during the events in East Timor
- 5 we're discussing today that it would be appropriate
- 6 for academics to refer to these matters to provide
- 7 material.
- 8 And with some urgency, I was asked to lay
- 9 the edge royalty and prepare a special issue of the
- 10 journal. In fact, we produced so much it became a
- 11 special double-issue.
- 12 On the question of the glossary and the--
- 13 THE COURT: Would the special issue be
- 14 voted to--
- THE WITNESS: To East Timor, Indonesia,
- 16 and the world community. And the question of the
- 17 glossary and the chronology were prepared by the
- 18 answers for the whole issue. Yeah.
- 19 THE COURT: Very well. Thank you, sir.
- MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like--
- 21 THE COURT: And the Court will admit the
- 22 Plaintiffs' Exhibit 6 for identification.
- 23 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- No. 6 marked for identification.

1 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.

- 2 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 3 Q I'd like you to briefly review the history
- 4 of Indonesia, beginning with the takeover of
- 5 General Suharto.
- 6 A The President of Indonesia between 1949
- 7 and 1968 was President Sukarno. On the night of
- 8 September 30 and October 1, 1965, there was a coup
- 9 d'etat, an unsuccessful coup d'etat against--which
- 10 claimed to be particularly President Sukarno from a
- 11 counsel of generals.
- 12 The next day there was a counter-coup laid
- 13 by the Major General Suharto also claiming to
- 14 protect President Sukarno. And as a result of that
- 15 counter-coup, the initial coup was crushed within a
- 16 day. And in the aftermath to that, a new Army
- 17 command was established, which had effective
- 18 control of the country, akin to national law. That
- 19 command remained in existence for more than two
- 20 decades.
- In the year following the coup, that is
- 22 between October 1965 and roughly October and
- 23 November of 1966, the Army, which was effectively
- led by Major General Suharto, led and encouraged
- 25 killings of people who were alleged to be members

- 1 of the Indonesian Communist Party. The initial
- 2 Communist Party was at that time a legal
- 3 organization with some three million members.
- 4 During that roughly one-year period,
- 5 according to the United States Central Intelligence
- 6 Agency in a report published in what issue I should
- 7 say, in 1968, approximately 800,000 people died.
- 8 We don't know how many people died in reality, but
- 9 it's of that order.
- I said a number -- a very large number of
- 11 the victims were alleged communists. Many were
- 12 also Chinese and are now killed as a result of
- 13 ethnic prejudice. The killings were carried out by
- 14 the Army or by political allies of the Army; in
- 15 particular, Islamic youth groups aided and assisted
- 16 and encouraged and protected by the Army.
- 17 President Sukarno signed a letter in March
- 18 1996, which effectively handed over power to
- 19 President Suharto, who became acting-President
- 20 until 1968 when President Sukarno was forced to
- 21 resign, did resign. And President -- and Mr.
- 22 Suharto, Major General Suharto, then became the
- 23 President of Indonesia, and he will remain
- 24 president until May of 1998.
- MS. CHOMSKY: One moment, please, while I

- 1 move these documents around.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 3 Q I'm showing you what's been previously
- 4 been marked Exhibit 7.
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Can you identify that for the record?
- 7 A Yes. These are extracts from a document
- 8 which is entitled in Indonesia ... (Inaudible),
- 9 which means the organization and procedures of the
- 10 Indonesian Army, brackets, T and I, hyphen, AD.
- 11 It's formally identified as the decision of the
- 12 Armed Forces Commander. KEP, stroke, 08, stroke,
- 13 P, stroke, Roman III, 1984. It's issued over the
- 14 signature of the then-Commander of the Armed Forces
- 15 General Murdani (phonetic.)
- 16 Q And you took these extracts yourself--
- 17 A Yes, I did.
- 18 O --is that right? From the whole document?
- 19 A Yes. Inside, yes, I did, indeed, yes.
- 20 Q Now, I'd like to bring your attention to a
- 21 particular part of the exhibit which I've had blown
- 22 up. These are marked Exhibits 7-A and 7-B. Would
- 23 you first identify, please, 7-A.
- 24 (The witness left the stand and went tot
- 25 he exhibit.)

1 A 7-A is entitled, The Indonesian Structural

- 2 Organization T and A-ID, which means the
- 3 organizational structural of the Indonesian Army.
- 4 And is stressed Army rather than military.
- 5 Q Yes. Now, could you looking at that
- 6 document, which is marked Exhibit 7-A, explain who
- 7 is at the top in terms of their position and what
- 8 organizations they control.
- 9 A Yes, I will.
- 10 THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky, I'm happy to
- 11 admit this. But unfortunately, I cannot read the
- 12 document from this distance. But there is the last
- 13 page of the exhibit.
- 14 Professor Tanter could you confirm--
- 15 THE WITNESS: Sure.
- 16 THE COURT: --as to whether or not that
- 17 reflects the organization chart or the one--
- 18 THE WITNESS: Okay. In the one that--in
- 19 the copy I have, the last page is, in fact, the
- 20 personnel--
- 21 THE COURT: I see that.
- 22 THE WITNESS: --militia structure.
- 23 THE COURT: What about the penotament
- 24 (phonetic) page?
- 25 THE WITNESS: The penotament page is

- 1 indeed the one which is--
- THE COURT: I see. Verry well.
- THE WITNESS: --here, the structure.
- 4 THE COURT: That I can read.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky?
- 7 I'm not sure I understand it, but I can
- 8 see it.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: I hope with Dr. Tanter's
- 10 help we'll be able to understand.
- 11 THE COURT: I hope so, too.
- 12 THE WITNESS: This is a chart of the
- 13 organizational structure of the Army. At the top
- 14 is the office of what is called Kasad (phonetic),
- 15 which stands for the Chief of Staff of the Army,
- 16 Army Chief of Staff. And immediately beneath it in
- 17 the same box is Wakisad (phonetic), which means the
- 18 Army Deputy Chief of Staff.
- 19 And below and the straight line going down
- 20 below there, to the very bottom, there are three
- 21 boxes. One labeled Kostrad, K-O-S-T-R-A-D. One
- 22 labeled Kopassus, K-O-P-A-S-S-U-S, and one labeled,
- 23 Kodam, K-O-D-A-M. These, in fact, are the three
- 24 commands of the Army. Kostrad is the Army
- 25 Strategic Reserve. It's the elite Army, elite part

- 1 of the Army. It's the, if you like, the fighting
- 2 part of the Indonesian Army. And I'll explain what
- 3 I mean by that a little more.
- 4 Kopassus is the Army's Special Forces
- 5 Command, which is like Special Forces in the
- 6 British Branch, American and French and Russian
- 7 Armed Forces, and they are basically commanders
- 8 training secret warfare.
- 9 Kodam stands for Military Area Command.
- 10 And in Indonesia -- and in Indonesia at the time
- 11 were--we are talking about in 1999, the country was
- 12 divided into nine Kodams, nine military area
- 13 commands. These, in fact, covered the whole
- 14 country.
- 15 And beneath these military area commands
- 16 reaching right now to the smallest village, the
- 17 smallest part of a major town, there were lower
- 18 structures with Army personnel all the way down.
- 19 And these people--these military area commands were
- 20 permanent. They weren't temporary responding to
- 21 crisis. They are a permanent part of the
- 22 Indonesian Army.
- 23 So that is at the top. You have the Chief
- 24 of Staff and the Army Chief of Staff and the Army
- 25 Deputy Chief of Staff. They're line of command

- 1 goes right down here at this side. It's on the
- 2 left-hand side. I should explain this upper part
- 3 here. Tencup Nobias (phonetic) is the headquarters
- 4 level. This is the command level here. So that's
- 5 the relationship between headquarters and the Army
- 6 commands.
- 7 Going to the headquarters level here,
- 8 there are four echelons described on the right-hand
- 9 side. At the top the leadership echelon, the Army
- 10 Chief of Staff and Deputy Chief of Staff.
- 11 Secondly, the echelon of staff assistance, direct
- 12 assistance for specific responsibilities. Then
- 13 there are specific staff responsibilities for that
- 14 staff.
- 15 O In the period of 1999, where was the
- 16 Defendant Johny Lumintang in this hierarchy.
- 17 A From January 1999 to October 1999,
- 18 Lieutenant General Johny Lumintang was the Army
- 19 Deputy Chief of staff, and he is in this position
- 20 here (indicating) which in Indonesia is written is
- 21 Wakisad (phonetic.)
- 22 Q And that is like the second person in the
- 23 Army?
- 24 A Within the Army, he is the--he holds the
- 25 second, highest position, indeed, yes.

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1 Q Now, I'd like you to take a look at 7-B
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- 2 and explain to the Court what that represents.
- 3 (Witness reviews document.)
- 4 A This is the following from that previous
- 5 chart describing the organization, the structure of
- 6 the Army. This is the -- if you like the structure
- 7 of positions held by particular individuals.
- 8 So, again, at the top there is the Chief
- 9 of Staff and the Army Chief of Staff and the Army
- 10 Deputy Chief of Staff. The person, as opposed to
- 11 the officers, so to speak, or their officers. And
- 12 below them or to the left--sorry, looking on the
- 13 left-hand side are the personnel staff of the Chief
- 14 of Staff, the Inspector General of the Army.
- 15 And then on the third layer down here,
- 16 this long one going across here, there are a series
- 17 of assistants to the Army Chief of Staff for
- 18 Security for Operations and for planning, for
- 19 logistics, for territorial affairs, and so forth.
- 20 And below this at the executive level are the heads
- 21 of those various officers within the Armed Forces
- 22 Headquarters.
- 23 And at the very bottom in this direct
- 24 line--at the very bottom in the picture, not in
- 25 terms of authority at all, the direct line is to

- 1 the commanders of the three commands--three types
- 2 of commands I described before.
- Firstly, Kostrad, the Commander of the
- 4 Army Strategic Reserve Command. Number 1 and
- 5 Number 2, the Commander of Army Special Forces
- 6 Command, Dom Kopassus. And then the commanders of
- 7 the nine military area commands called Pamdunts
- 8 (phonetic.)
- 9 Q And, again, with regard to the period from
- 10 January 1999 to October 1999, Defendant Johny
- 11 Lumintang is the second box?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Okay. Before you sit down, I'd like to
- 14 show you one more.
- But, first, I'd like to move into evidence
- 16 Exhibit 7-A and 7-B.
- 17 THE COURT: Very well. Plaintiffs'
- 18 Exhibit 7-A for identification and 7-B for
- 19 identification will be admitted into evidence.
- 20 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- 21 Nos. 7-A and 7-B were
- 22 received into
- evidence.]
- 24 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 25 Q I'd like you now to take a look at the

- 1 Exhibit 8.
- THE COURT: Your not admitting Exhibit 7;
- 3 is that correct?
- 4 MS. CHOMSKY: I don't believe so, no.
- 5 THE COURT: I see. Okay. And for
- 6 convenience sake, as Professor Tanter indicated,
- 7 the last two pages of Exhibit 7 for identification
- 8 reflect 7-A and 7-B.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: That's correct, Your Honor.
- 10 You may proceed.
- 11 THE WITNESS: This is a chart of the
- 12 Indonesian Military National Command structure.
- 13 It's taken from a book by Dr. Robert Lowery,
- 14 entitled, The Armed Forces of Indonesia. Doc
- 15 Lowery is a former senior strategy military officer
- 16 who has extensive experience with the Indonesian
- 17 Army. It describes the command structure, the
- 18 change of coordination, and the chain of command,
- 19 the chain of operational command described in of a
- 20 solid line here.
- The president is the supreme commander.
- 22 And directly under him there are--immediately below
- 23 him is the Armed Forces Headquarters and the
- 24 Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces.
- 25 There is also directly beneath the

- 1 President the Ministry of Defense Security,
- 2 security emphasizing Internal Security as much as
- 3 External Defense. Then to its left, the National
- 4 Agency. There is other ministries which have some
- 5 relevance to the military. Going to its right of
- 6 the Armed Forces Headquarters, the National
- 7 Intelligence Coordinating Agency, BAKIN, and the
- 8 Technology Agency, as well.
- 9 And then going from the President down
- 10 through the chain of command through the Armed
- 11 Forces Headquarters Commander Chief, there are the
- 12 four heads of the Indonesian Armed Forces. And
- 13 from the right, the Air Force Chief of Staff, the
- 14 Navy Chief of Staff, the Army Chief of Staff, and
- 15 the Chief of Police, because at that time the
- 16 police were part of the Armed Forces.
- 17 Where are we going? Following that chain
- 18 of command down, there are then a chain of
- 19 operational command. There are then the commanders
- 20 of the military area commands, Kodam. I must
- 21 correct something, I'm sorry. I said there were
- 22 nine Kodams before. There are, in fact, ten. I was
- 23 reminded by Dr. Lowery's paper. The military area
- 24 commands and then the Army Strategic Reserve
- 25 Command, Kostrad, Special Forces, Kopassus. The

- 1 Navy divided into two fleets, a reaction force seat
- of command, air commands, and so forth.
- 3 Q I'll ask you to refer back to this later
- 4 when we--
- 5 A Yeah.
- 6 Q --talk about the positions that the
- 7 defendant held. Just to reiterate, the police
- 8 force under the Indonesian system is part of the
- 9 military.
- 10 A It was at that time. It is--legislation
- 11 has been passed to change that.
- 12 Q But that's subsequent--
- 13 A Subsequent to the events in 1999.
- 14 Q Yes. I'd like to bring your attention to
- 15 1975, the period beginning the Indonesian
- 16 occupation of East Timor. Could you describe to
- 17 the Court what happened.
- 18 A In the period between August 1975 and
- 19 early December 1975, it became increasingly clear
- 20 that Indonesia had decided to increase its pressure
- 21 on East Timor--oh, I'm sorry--on the Portuguese
- 22 Colony of East Timor from what had been prior to
- 23 that time effectively, should we say, strong
- 24 political persuasion by the neighboring country,
- 25 including a great deal of political agitation

- 1 towards using military remains to ensuring that the
- 2 territory--Portuguese territory of East Timor did
- 3 not become Independent and indeed became part of
- 4 Indonesia.
- 5 Throughout that time of August, October,
- 6 there were the beginning rising level of bordering
- 7 incursions by Indonesian Armed Forces. A very
- 8 famous part of that is the fight part of that was
- 9 in October at a town called Baubau near the border
- 10 where Indonesian commandos murdered five Australian
- 11 journalists to ensure that they could not report
- 12 what was happening.
- On December -- on December 8--sorry,
- 14 December 7th, Indonesia invaded East Timor Proper.
- 15 This took the form of landings by sea, landing by
- 16 paratroops, and boat troops coming over the border,
- 17 the land border from West Timor to East Timor.
- 18 It was--the first weeks of the invasion
- 19 were quite horrific in the manner in which the
- 20 population of East Timor was subjugated. There
- 21 were mass killings in Dili, even on the Port of
- 22 Dili on the wharf.
- Now, on many accounts, reliable accounts
- of people simply being men and women simply being
- 25 lined up and machine-gunned on the edge of the

- 1 wharf and their bodies going to the sea.
- The--on 28th--I should go back. The
- 3 Pro-Independence Forces in East Timor at that stage
- 4 declared that East Timor was an Independent Nation,
- 5 the Democratic Republic of East Timor. Indonesia,
- of course, rejected this and hence invaded.
- 7 What happened immediately following the
- 8 invasion was effectively that the military arm of
- 9 the Pro-Independence Forces decided to withdraw
- 10 from Dili--withdraw from the main towns of Dili and
- 11 withdraw to the hills. I should say that many of
- 12 these young women and men, particularly, the men,
- 13 had received training under the Portuguese in NATO.
- 14 As a part of a NATO Army, they had forts
- in the Portuguese Colonial Wars in Angola and
- 16 Mozambique. They were themselves highly
- 17 experienced junior officers and NCOs and
- 18 junior--junior ranks.
- 19 They then started a war of resistance
- 20 against the Indonesian invasion. And I'd say from
- 21 the period 1976 to 1977 it--I think many people who
- 22 were observers at that time were very surprised
- 23 that the East Timorese were, in fact, able to hold
- 24 back a very, very considerable Indonesian Military
- onslaught. The reason they're able to do this is

- 1 they, in fact, had weapons from the Portuguese
- 2 onslaught, light weapons. They had well-trained
- 3 officers and the country is highly suitable to
- 4 train their own men.
- 5 Another factor was, in fact, the violence
- 6 of the Indonesian attack was so extreme that it
- 7 very rapidly clarified what had previously been
- 8 somewhat a confused situation. There had been many
- 9 people, for example, who had thought or perhaps we
- 10 should continue some association with Portugal.
- 11 All those thoughts really came to an end
- 12 when it became clear that they'd been occupied by
- 13 an extremely brutal and ruthless military force.
- 14 And so from that period 1976 to '77, there was a
- 15 surprising level of very successful resistance by
- 16 the East Timorese. The Indonesians held the main
- towns, the roads in between, but nothing else.
- 19 population of the Indonesian occupation in the
- 20 period from '75 to '78.
- 21 A Okay. It was a very destructive
- 22 occupation immediately that I have mentioned there
- 23 many killings, immediates, and executions of any
- one who was considered to be in opposition to the
- 25 Armed Forces and many people who were simply just

- 1 killed because they were in the way.
- The period '76, '77, which I described is
- 3 somewhat a balanced miniature period, that ended
- 4 sometime in early 1978 when there was a change of
- 5 military commanders in Indonesia, a change of
- 6 approach essentially from what had been an invasion
- 7 force dominated by Intelligence and Operatives and
- 8 the Army Intelligence people to mainstream elite
- 9 Army infantry people.
- 10 And there was a great infusion of new
- 11 weapons from the outside into the invasion of Armed
- 12 Forces, including specialists counter-insurgency
- 13 aircraft. This enabled the invasion Armed Forces
- 14 to reach much more into the mountains of East Timor
- 15 and to be--to kill very large numbers of people and
- 16 attack villages and burn them.
- 17 There was also a decision taken to
- 18 establish special camps in the lowlands of East
- 19 Timor. Most of East Timor is highlands and
- 20 mountains, very rocky, a very mountainous country.
- 21 Most people in those mountain areas. There was a
- 22 decision taken by the Indonesian Armed Forces to
- 23 force people out of the mountains away from their
- 24 farms, away from their villages, into these lowland
- 25 camps.

- 1 Some people called them concentration
- 2 camps. They were--certain conditions of these
- 3 camps were extremely coercive. People, of course,
- 4 could not farm. Some were provided with food.
- 5 Health conditions in those camps were extremely
- 6 bad. The effect was that most people were moved
- 7 out of the highland areas and they were cleared
- 8 effectively in military terms of a free-fire zone.
- 9 And the war in those mountain areas intensified
- 10 dramatically and many, many people died in that
- 11 period, particularly, between 1978 and '79, either
- 12 as a result of direct killing by the Indonesian
- 13 Armed Forces in combat, if one can call combat of
- 14 an aircraft striking villages and burning them.
- 15 Many more people died of disease,
- 16 particularly, in these camps. And very large
- 17 numbers of people died of starvation and famine in
- 18 this time. They had been taken away from their
- 19 farms.
- 20 And I was a part of a group in Melbourne,
- 21 which in the end of 1979 attempted to make an
- 22 assessment--an assessment of how many people would
- 23 die and was led by a man named John Waddingham
- 24 (phonetic), then-Director of the East Timor
- 25 Information Service.

1 And as a result of that very careful study

- 2 by Mr. Waddingham, we concluded that depending on
- 3 one's assumptions about birthrights, which, of
- 4 course, could be fluctuating in times of war, and
- 5 comparing an Indonesian census towards the end of
- 6 1979, and what was known from Portuguese censuses
- 7 and particularly from church records, Mr.
- 8 Waddingham concluded that between 133,000 and
- 9 200,000 people were missing from between the count
- in 1975, and in 1979, missing and certainly dead.
- 11 At that time the population of East Timor
- 12 was about 660,000. In other words, up to a third
- of the population had disappeared. And that
- 14 coincided with what we were hearing from refugees
- in Australia at the time who could collectively say
- 16 that many villages, a third of the people had gone.
- 17 And there were uncertainties about that estimate,
- 18 and we tried our best to verify them. But there's
- 19 no doubt that something--some population, loss of
- 20 that order, took place as a result of Indonesian
- 21 Army actions prior to 1979.
- 22 Q And was what happened in Indonesia
- 23 known--what happened in East Timor known outside of
- 24 East Timor?
- 25 A Yes and no. It was--there was intense

- 1 coverage of the actual invasion itself, the
- 2 immediate invasion. In the major non-Indonesian
- 3 newspapers, particularly, Australia, Europe, North
- 4 America, and Japan. And they were, of course, U.N.
- 5 Security Council resolutions condemning this action
- 6 which were, of course, reported.
- 7 However, I should say that from--certainly
- 8 from sometime in 1976 partly because access to East
- 9 Timor was impossible for either East Timorese or
- 10 foreigners or Indonesian citizens, for that matter.
- 11 And partly because it was a time of other events
- 12 taking place in the world and the war's attention
- 13 shifted elsewhere.
- 14 As information dribbled out, there was
- 15 less and less public attention. But I should say
- 16 that in Australia, the country part of Indonesia
- 17 closest to East Timor, there were continuing
- 18 reports in the newspapers and great public
- 19 attention. And there were certainly main groups
- 20 and movements concerned about--their political
- 21 parties concerned about it through that time. But,
- 22 of course, in Indonesia itself, there was no news
- 23 about East Timor, other than what the government
- 24 reported. It was simply not possible to say
- 25 anything else.

- 1 Q Where was Defendant Johny Lumintang in
- 2 terms of his Army career at this time?
- 3 A He was a young lieutenant or captain.
- 4 We're not precisely sure. He graduated from the
- 5 Military Academy in 1970. And we do know that
- 6 between 1975 and 1979, as an infantry officer, he
- 7 was posted to both East Timor and Irian Jaya, which
- 8 is the western part of the Island of New Guinea.
- 9 And that he took part in operation Surojo
- 10 (phonetic), which was the general name for the
- 11 invasion of East Timor.
- 13 would you describe the nature of the military
- 14 activity in the Irian Jaya.
- 15 A Irian Jaya, yes. Irian Jaya was the
- 16 former Dutch Midland, Dutch New Guinea after--I
- 17 should just say that when the Republic of Indonesia
- 18 was formed out of the Netherlands East Indies,
- 19 Dutch New Guinea was accepted--exerted from that.
- 20 It remained under Dutch control until 1963 when it
- 21 passed under effective Indonesian control with the
- 22 object of an active free choice being supervised by
- 23 the United Nations in 1968. So, therefore, from
- 24 1963 onward, it was under Indonesia Military
- 25 control.

1 Throughout that—the latter period of the

- 2 1960s and the 1970s and continuing to this day,
- 3 there were numerous rebellions and forms of
- 4 resistance by West Poplin (phonetic) people,
- 5 different people of Irian Jaya. And many of the
- 6 resistances were put down in the most brutal and
- 7 bloody way, including bombings and of villages of
- 8 indigenous people. And there were many reports of
- 9 military actions against civilians during that
- 10 time.
- 11 THE COURT: This area was not part of East
- 12 or West Timor; is that correct or--
- 13 MS. CHOMSKY: That's correct. But it was
- 14 within the areas where the Defendant Johny
- 15 Lumintang had assignments?
- 16 THE COURT: Was it an island? Was it a
- 17 part of Indonesia itself or?
- 18 MS. CHOMSKY: It's--
- 19 THE WITNESS: May I show you the map, Your
- 20 Honor? Would it be--
- 21 MS. CHOMSKY: If I may--
- 22 THE COURT: Great.
- 23 (The witness left the witness stand to
- indicate on the map.)
- 25 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, here is

- 1 Indonesia and here is Timor, the Island of Timor
- 2 here (indicating). Half of Australia, west and
- 3 east. And then going further east, the Island of
- 4 New Guinea, east and half of which is the country
- of Papua New Guinea, the western part of which was
- 6 at the time we were discussing the Providence of
- 7 Indonesia called Irian Jaya.
- 8 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 9 (The witness returned to the stand.)
- 10 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 11 Q You spoke before about how the Indonesian
- 12 Military was divided into ten different, basically
- 13 districts, I quess--
- 14 A Ovmitzi (phonetic) is the term. District
- 15 has a separate meaning.
- 16 O Oh.
- 17 A They're military areas.
- 18 O Military areas. And Johny Lumintang was
- 19 assigned to a particular area; is that right?
- 20 A That's right. He was assigned. At what
- 21 time?
- 22 Q In the period '76 to '78.
- 23 A Well, in--when the information that we
- 24 have is scanty, but we know that from that
- 25 period--in that period 1975 to 1979 he was assigned

1 principally to East Timor, but also took part in

- 2 operations in Irian Jaya.
- 3 Q Now, did Johny Lumintang have occasion to
- 4 be in the United States that you're aware of?
- 5 A Yes. We have reports that he went to the
- 6 United States for study on at least three
- 7 occasions: Once in 1978; once, in 1987; and once
- 8 in 1990. When he came to the United States by this
- 9 stage he would have been a senior officer, and he
- 10 took part in training funded on the International
- 11 Military Education and Training Program, IMET.
- 12 O And that was here in the United States?
- 13 A In the United States, yes.
- 14 Q I'd like you bring your attention to
- 15 November of 1991 and to the events in Santa Cruz.
- 16 A Yeah.
- 17 Q Would you describe what happened--
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q --for the Court.
- 20 A There had been continuing resistance in
- 21 East Timor, as I said from the very beginning. But
- 22 after its wrath through the 1990s it's fair to say
- 23 that the military resistance by guerrillas
- 24 lessened. That partly is a result of the assaults.
- 25 And--but there was a growth, a great growth in what

- 1 we might call cultural and political resistance and
- 2 especially by young people in the towns. And this
- 3 was a very significant form of proposition to the
- 4 Indonesian rule.
- 5 And during 1991 feeling sentiment had been
- 6 growing and growing. And at the time of just prior
- 7 to the killing there had been an incident which had
- 8 lead to the deaths of at least one person and there
- 9 was a funeral that took place. The funeral took
- 10 place in the cemetery of the Santa Cruz cemetery of
- 11 Dili. There was a march to the cemetery
- 12 through--several hundred people present, and there
- 13 were also several foreign journalists, which was
- 14 very unusual event at that time.
- During the actual funeral march in the
- 16 cemetery, Indonesian Armed Forces personnel opened
- 17 fire with automatic weapons on the crowd killing
- 18 people indiscriminately, shooting people who were
- 19 wounded and crawling, pursuing them. And there are
- 20 reliable reports that the following day they
- 21 pursued people who, wounded or not, they thought
- 22 had taken part in the funeral and killed them
- 23 secretly and dumped their bodies either at sea or
- land and were never found again, and a very large
- 25 number of people died on that day. And there's

1 doubt--absolutely no doubt whatsoever, that it was

- 2 an action by Indonesian Army troops under the
- 3 orders of their superiors.
- 4 Q Was there a public international response
- 5 to the events in November of 1991?
- 6 A There was. Such killings had happened
- 7 before. But as I mentioned, on this occasion there
- 8 were journalists present. These journalists who
- 9 included two American journalists and an English
- 10 film cameraman got their stories out. Their stories
- 11 were widely publicized.
- I was in Japan at the time. And certainly
- in Japan there was very considerable coverage of
- 14 it. There was enormous outrage at the--about the
- 15 brutality of the act and the abrasiveness of the
- 16 act, and the matter was discussed very extensively
- in the mass media and certainly by the governments
- 18 of the world that had some concern, some relation
- 19 to East Timor.
- 20 Q What happened to the commander of the
- 21 Armed Forces?
- 22 A He was--
- Q Who was responsible?
- 24 A I'd like to be precise about who we're
- 25 talking about here. If I just may backtrack one

- 1 little bit. The Military Area Commands and cover
- 2 for in the case of East Timor, if I may show a map
- 3 of Indonesia, it might be more helpful.
- 4 0 Okay.
- 5 (The witness left the stand and went to
- 6 the map.)
- 7 Q The witness is looking at Exhibit 2.
- 8 A The military area command No. 9, Kodam 9,
- 9 has its headquarters in the Island of Bali in the
- 10 City of Din Pasan (phonetic). And it covers the
- 11 area from Bali to the west reaching to East Timor
- 12 in the east. Underneath that military area of
- 13 command there is another layer of command called
- 14 the English Military Resort Command. And within
- 15 Military Area Command 9, there is no true Resort
- 16 Command 164, which covers the chair tree fall of
- 17 the Province of East Timor. It's usually called,
- 18 particularly, acronym KOREN 164.
- 19 (The witness returned to the stand.)
- 20 A So to return to your question, the
- 21 commander at the time of the Santa Cruz killings
- 22 and the Commander of Military Resort Command 164
- 23 then Brigadier General Wrauwu, W-R-A-U-W-U, was
- 24 relieved of his command. And it was said at the
- 25 order of the President, it was certainly affected

- 1 by the Commander of the Armed Forces, and he was
- 2 relieved of his command in a manner of some
- 3 disgrace.
- 4 O Now, going back to Johny Lumintang. The
- 5 next time that he was involved in East Timor is
- 6 1993 to '94; is that correct?
- 7 A That's correct.
- 8 Q And what was his position in the period
- 9 1993 to 1994?
- 10 A He--in 1993, John Lumintang became the
- 11 Commander of Military Resort Command 164, KOREN
- 12 164.
- 13 Q And what was his situation, just briefly,
- 14 in East Timor in the period when he was the KOREN
- 15 Commander.
- 16 A According to the United States Department
- 17 of Defense report on Human Rights in East Timor
- 18 during that time, it was still a time of
- 19 extreme--of serious tension and anxiety and a sense
- 20 situation of repressiveness in East Timor. The
- 21 military presence was very substantial at that
- 22 time.
- 23 Q And in terms of repression, we're talking
- 24 about repression against the civilian?
- 25 A Oh, indeed, yes.

1 Q What was the next position that Johny

- 2 Lumintang held?
- 3 A From--I'm sorry. After Dili he became the
- 4 Commander of the First Infantry Division of
- 5 Kostrad. That's the Army Strategic Reserve
- 6 Command. There are two divisions in Kostrad. He
- 7 was the commander of one based in Jakarta. It's a
- 8 very senior position. And indicated that he had
- 9 obviously been a success in Army terms in East
- 10 Timor.
- 11 Q In 1996, he received another promotion; is
- 12 that right?
- 13 A Yes. He became the Chief of Staff of
- 14 Military Area Command 8, which encovers the -- the
- 15 Province of Irian Jaya, the western part of New
- 16 Guinea and also the Island of Moluccas to the
- 17 north. But that time the primary concern would
- 18 have been Irian Jaya.
- 19 O And can you show us on Exhibit 8 where
- 20 Johny Lumintang was in the military hierarchy.
- 21 A Yes. And at that time he was one of the
- 22 team commanders of the Military Area Commands. The
- 23 subsequent follow-up campaign and the following
- 24 day.
- 25 Q Moving to June of 19--or actually May of

- 1 1998. What happened in Indonesia that affected all
- of the areas that we've been discussing?
- 3 A Following--there was intense political
- 4 disturbances or demonstrations, riots, as well as
- 5 extreme economic crises as a result of what's
- 6 genre, the Southeast Asian currency in 1997 and
- 7 '98. President Suharto resigned. And his, vice
- 8 president, Mr. Habibie, became the President of
- 9 Indonesia at that time.
- 10 O When you talk by it's an unrest, you're
- 11 talking in this case about things that were going
- 12 on inside Indonesia Proper?
- 13 A Yes. They were recurring all
- 14 over--demonstrations, warfare occurring all over
- 15 Indonesia. There was a demonstration, a famous
- 16 demonstration, in Jakarta. I mean, just prior to
- 17 the recognition at a University known as Tresucty
- 18 (phonetic) University where troops opened fired on
- 19 students, and three students were killed. And this
- 20 was a matter of protest by the then-Secretary of
- 21 State of the United States to President Suharto.
- 22 President Suharto eventually resigned.
- 23 There were, of course, parallel to his within East
- 24 Timor, which was then as far as the Indonesian
- 25 government was concerned, the Province of East

1 Timor, there was a course, a swelling of political

- 2 protests that had been swelling pressure for a
- 3 referendum on independence, self-determination, and
- 4 independence, which continued through 1998.
- 5 Q Now, it's correct, is it not, that
- 6 President Habibie was President Suharto's
- 7 successor?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Bringing your attention to January 18,
- 10 1999--oh, I'm sorry.--to January 1999, what steps
- 11 did President Habibie take with regard to East
- 12 Timor?
- 13 A On January 28th, President Habibie made an
- 14 announcement, which was most unexpected, in which
- 15 he announced he was prepared to consider the
- 16 possibility of a ballot in East Timor to allow the
- 17 East Timorese people to decide between autonomy as
- 18 part--I'm sorry, autonomy as a special part of
- 19 Indonesia or Independence, if they so chose.
- This was a complete reversal of the
- 21 previous 24 years of police in Indonesia. So it
- 22 was something that shocked everyone.
- Q Now, on January 18, 1999, the Defendant,
- 24 Johny Lumintang received another appointment. Could
- 25 you describe that to the Court?

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1 A Yes. In January of 1999, Lieutenant
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- 2 General Lumintang became the Army Deputy Chief of
- 3 Staff. If we could have the ... yeah.
- 4 (The witness left the stand to review
- 5 exhibit.)
- 6 A This is the organizational structure of--
- 7 THE COURT: Is that 7-A or -B?
- 8 MS. CHOMSKY: This is 7-A.
- 9 THE CLERK: Professor, do you need a
- 10 microphone?
- 11 THE WITNESS: I don't know. Do I?
- 12 THE CLERK: Does he sound fine? Okay.
- 13 THE WITNESS: This is the organizational;
- 14 structure of the Army position of Deputy Army Chief
- of Staff immediately beneath this box beneath the
- 16 Army Chief of Staff within Army Headquarters.
- 17 (The witness returned to the stand.)
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 19 Q Now, going back--
- THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky, let me direct
- 21 you. Do you anticipate that Professor will be
- 22 testifying for another--
- MS. CHOMSKY: An hour.
- 24 THE COURT: An hour, all right. Well, it
- 25 might be appropriate at this time to take a brief

- 1 recess so I can give Court personnel an opportunity
- 2 to take a break.
- MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you. Your Honor, I
- 4 hope you won't hold me to the hour. It could be an
- 5 hour and a half.
- 6 THE COURT: I'll hold you all to three
- 7 days.
- 8 MS. CHOMSKY: Oh, definitely, Your Honor.
- 9 Thank you.
- 10 THE COURT: We'll take a ten-minute break.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.
- 12 (Recess.)
- 13 THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky, you may proceed.
- MS. CHOMSKY: Excuse me, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: You may proceed.
- MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 18 Q Bringing your attention to January 18,
- 19 1999, what happened with regard to Johnny
- 20 Lumintang?
- 21 A He became Deputy Army Chief of Staff.
- 22 Q Would you show the Court, please, where
- 23 that position--or I'll--
- 24 THE COURT: I think we went over that, Ms.
- 25 Chomsky.

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1 MS. CHOMSKY: Okay.
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- 2 THE COURT: I think the Professor came
- 3 down and pointed out that it was the No. 2 box, as
- 4 I recall, in the center.
- 5 MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, that's correct.
- 6 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 7 Q Bringing your attention then to Exhibit 7,
- 8 which is not admitted, it's in Indonesian. Can you
- 9 tell us what this document is and what it says
- 10 about the duties of the Deputy to the Army Chief of
- 11 Staff?
- 12 A Yeah. It's the--the document is the
- 13 manual on the organization and procedures of the
- 14 Indonesian Army and issued by the Commander in
- 15 Chief of the Indonesian Army. If you turn to
- 16 pages--I'm sorry, it's not admitted, is it?
- 18 A So I should just--
- 19 Q --identified, but it's going to be in
- 20 Indonesian.
- 21 A Yeah, I thought so.
- 22 O So I think that it'll be--
- 23 A All right.
- 24 Q --just as--
- 25 A I'll just speak--

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1 Q --useful if you--
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- 2 A --to it.
- 3 Q --tell us what it says.
- 4 A Okay. I'm terribly sorry. This--it
- 5 describes the--as I said, the organizational
- 6 structure of Army Headquarters and then the Army
- 7 Principal Command Levels, the Army Strategic
- 8 Reserve Command, Special--
- 9 THE COURT: As I think, Ms. Chomsky's
- 10 question was--
- 11 THE WITNESS: All right, Judge.
- 12 THE COURT: --if you would relate the
- 13 duties of the--
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 15 THE COURT: --Deputy Chief of Staff.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Oh, yeah, yeah. Okay. In
- 17 Chapter 6--I'm sorry--Chapter 7 it describes-- it
- 18 specifies, I should say, not describes. It
- 19 specifies the duties of the Army Chief of Staff, a
- 20 Deputy Chief of Staff, which if I may read the
- 21 relevant parts in English. (Witness reading.)
- 22 "A, the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army
- 23 is the principal aide and adviser to the Army Chief
- 24 of Staff who has the duty and obligation to lead,
- 25 organize and guide staff and leadership bodies,

- 1 Central Service and Executive bodies, as well as
- 2 other duties as instructed by the Chief of Staff
- 3 with responsibilities as follows:
- 4 "One, making proposals and suggestions to
- 5 the Chief of Staff on matters concerning his area
- 6 of responsibility. Two, leading the Inspector
- 7 General, General Staff, Special Staff, Budget and
- 8 Planning Staff, in formulating plans and programs
- 9 of the execution of the Army's duties.
- 10 "Three, to ensure coordination is effected
- 11 and maintained between Army Headquarter Staff and
- 12 Army field bodies and commands. B, between Army
- 13 Headquarter staff and the Headquarter Staff of
- 14 other parts of the Armed Forces and Police. And C,
- 15 Army Headquarter staff and the staff of Armed
- 16 Forces Headquarters and the staff of the Military
- 17 Defense and Security.
- 18 "Four, to coordinate control and supervise
- 19 the execution of Army decisions, plans, and
- 20 programs, as well as personnel, material, and
- 21 financial arrangements.
- 22 "Five, to coordinate, supervise, and give
- 23 direction to the staff Central Service and
- 24 Executive bodies. B, large B, whenever the Deputy
- 25 Chief of Staff is prevented from carrying out his

- 1 duties he'll be replaced by an officer appointed by
- 2 the Army Chief of Staff. And C, the Deputy Army
- 3 Chief of Staff is responsible in the execution of
- 4 his duties as outlined above to the Army Chief of
- 5 Staff."
- 6 Q Now, I'd like to bring your attention to
- 7 February 16, 1999, and a meeting that took place in
- 8 East Timor. Would you--
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 0 --describe that, please?
- 11 A There was a meeting involving one
- 12 Lieutenant Colonel Sudrejat, S-U-D-R-E-J-A-T,
- 13 Sudrejat, who at that time was within the Special
- 14 Forces Command, Kopassus. He was the head of what
- 15 was described as the Combined Intelligence Task
- 16 Force. This was a task force and had the
- 17 responsibility basically for managing Special
- 18 Forces Operations in East Timor throughout 1999.
- 19 It operated in conjunction with the
- 20 Military Area Command, but was not part of it and
- 21 was not subordinate to it.
- 22 Lieutenant Colonel Sudrejat had a meeting
- 23 with all of the principal militia leaders in which
- 24 he said--if I can work from that.
- 25 (Witness reviews document.)

1 A Mr. Sudrejat's demanded according--this is

- 2 according to a very senior militia leader Tomas
- 3 Goncalves who defected in April of 1999 and left
- 4 Indonesia. Goncalves said that at this meeting
- 5 with militia leaders Sudrejat demanded the
- 6 Independence leaders and their families be wiped
- 7 out.
- 8 O What is the relationship of the lieutenant
- 9 colonel to the Defendant Johny Lumintang?
- 10 A The lieutenant colonel operates within
- 11 Kopassus, which is one of the three commands of the
- 12 Army. All of those three--each of those three
- 13 commands of the Army come under the responsibility
- 14 of the Army Chief of Staff for their planning,
- 15 their operations, the implementation of operations,
- 16 and, specifically, its responsibility of the Army
- 17 Deputy Chief of Staff to supervise the
- 18 implementations of planning.
- 19 O You testified about the militias. Will
- 20 you describe, please, the role of the militias and
- 21 their relationship to TNI to the army?
- 22 A Okay. The term which is used--militia, in
- 23 fact, covers a wide range of times of groups. They
- 24 will have been throughout Indonesia under the Army,
- 25 various Paramilitary Auxiliary Forces. These were

- 1 present in East Timor, formerly East Timor, very
- 2 early on in 1976. But they have also been
- 3 nonofficial Paramilitary Forces and tolerated by
- 4 the authorities in working with them.
- 5 And particularly in the period in late
- 6 1998, more of these Paramilitary Forces were being
- 7 formed. Some of them as the representative of
- 8 political groups. In late 1998--I'm sorry. In
- 9 August 1998, the Military Resort Commander for 164
- 10 and Colonel Tono Suratman authorized a number of
- 11 those militia that existed at that time to be under
- 12 the command of, under the authority of the Military
- 13 Resort Command. In other words, they became
- 14 effectively part of the Indonesian Armed Forces,
- 15 and that was in August.
- 16 The formation of militias, in fact, the
- 17 expansion and the formation and the army of them
- 18 continued quite rapidly. In December and January,
- 19 new and more militias were formed, and they spread
- 20 throughout the territory. They were clearly at
- 21 that time being instructed, supported, and guided
- 22 by Indonesian Army officers. And the meeting with
- 23 Colonel Suratman was part of that operation.
- To give you one example of what they were
- 25 doing at that--during that period, let me just take

- 1 one example of many assaults on unarmed villages
- 2 throughout East Timor by militia, which started
- 3 very early. This case comes from January 25th.
- 4 This is before the announcement by President
- 5 Habibie of the possibility of a ballot.
- 6 And an organization called "Mahiti"
- 7 (phonetic), which in Indonesian stands for
- 8 integration, life or death, which was formed in
- 9 December of 1998 in the District of Inadro
- 10 (phonetic), and it became attached to the military,
- 11 Local Military District, which is below the
- 12 Military Resort.
- 13 In January--on the 25th of January, Mahiti
- 14 militia personnel entered the village of Galatas
- 15 (phonetic) in Covalima District, which is in the
- 16 Southeast of the territory. And then they killed a
- 17 pregnant woman who's name was Angelina Derouge
- 18 (phonetic.) She was 24 years-old. After shooting
- 19 her dead, they cut up her corpse. With a knife,
- 20 they cut open her abdomen and pulled out the fetus.
- 21 Five other residents in the village were also
- 22 killed, including her father, who was beheaded, and
- 23 her brother who was shot.
- 24 Before dawn, Galatas Village was empty.
- 25 Thousands of people joined what rapidly became a

- 1 makeshift refugee camp in the large town of Suai.
- 2 This is a reliable report. There were numerous
- 3 reports of this type.
- 4 Australian Intelligence reports from that
- 5 period indicate that organizations such as the
- 6 Australian Defense Intelligence Organization knew
- 7 full well what was happening, and they confirmed
- 8 that, in fact, the Army were directing the militia.
- 9 They had no doubt about that whatsoever. That's in
- 10 this earlier period here. There were later events,
- 11 of course. Is that on some--I'm sorry, I missed
- 12 your question.
- 13 O No.
- 14 A I'm sorry. They being armed by the
- 15 Military Area of Command at that time. And, in
- 16 fact, that following--that meeting with the
- 17 Lieutenant Saja (phonetic), the informant Thomas
- 18 Cojole (phonetic), which was the head of the
- 19 Militia District, received three truck loads of
- 20 weapons delivered there.
- 21 THE COURT: Professor, where were the
- 22 people coming from? Were they Indonesians served
- 23 in Indonesia?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 25 THE COURT: And why did they utilize these

- 1 individuals who were not part of the military?
- THE WITNESS: Yeah, okay.
- 3 THE COURT: I mean, was there a reason for
- 4 that?
- 5 THE WITNESS: I believe there was Your
- 6 Honor. It might be described best as a strategy of
- 7 using East Timorese to fight East Timorese.
- 8 THE COURT: Oh. So these people were not
- 9 Indonesians brought over into East Timor. These
- 10 were local East Timorese.
- 11 THE WITNESS: With one exception, which
- 12 I'll now describe. That we have reliable accounts,
- 13 particularly, later in the year, but I--it's--it
- 14 may well be earlier in the year, but certainly
- 15 later in the year that Special Forces Command
- 16 soldiers were, in fact, operating in disquise as
- 17 these militias.
- 18 That were mostly young men from villages
- 19 and towns. Tomas Goncalves, himself, who was a
- 20 very senior leader, claimed that he took part in
- 21 these actions only because he had in late 1998 been
- 22 threatened by Colonel Suratman that if he didn't
- 23 cooperate, he and his family would die.
- The testimony which has been coming out
- 25 indicates that people join the militia for a

- 1 variety of reasons. There were some who one might
- 2 call families who--from families who had the most
- 3 to lose, who had very close financial connections
- 4 with Indonesian occupation, and gained land and
- 5 wealth at that time.
- There were other people who were
- 7 susceptible to, if you'd like, ideological
- 8 agitation and blandishments. There were many who
- 9 believed that if they did not cooperate they and
- 10 their families would suffer. That's been
- 11 repeatedly testified to. And there were some,
- 12 particularly, in terms of the terrible killings who
- 13 were on drugs, and to drive people onwards.
- 14 THE COURT: So you're saying that some or
- 15 not many of these acts of brutality that were
- 16 reported were, in fact, committed by people who
- 17 were themselves from East Timor?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes. They were Indonesian
- 19 citizens by law--by Indonesian Law at that time.
- 20 THE COURT: Well, I would assume that all
- 21 East Timorese--
- THE WITNESS: Indeed, sir.
- 23 THE COURT: --were--
- 24 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 25 MR. RYAN: --Indonesian citizens?

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 2 THE COURT: So it doesn't--
- 3 THE WITNESS: No. Yep.
- 4 THE COURT: I don't know if that is
- 5 saying--
- 6 THE WITNESS: Right. I take your point.
- 7 Now, they weren't necessarily from outside. I've
- 8 not heard of the large numbers.
- 9 THE COURT: But they were people who were
- 10 residents and--
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 12 THE COURT: -- and born and lived in East
- 13 Timor?
- 14 THE WITNESS: For the most part.
- 15 THE COURT: Okay.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yeah. And then there was a
- 17 role of the Special Forces soldiers.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 19 Q The Special Forces soldiers being both
- 20 East Timorese and Indonesians from other parts of
- 21 Indonesia?
- 22 A No, I--I can't tell you, but I would think
- 23 that I'm likely that there was many East Timorese
- 24 Special Forces soldiers.
- 25 Q So that those were basically also from

- 1 outside?
- 2 A Oh, yes, they were from outside, yes. And
- 3 also when I say they participate, I'm referring to
- 4 two things. One is they acted as members of the
- 5 militia in disguise, but also Kopassus Officer
- 6 Special Forces were very much directing the militia
- 7 activity. That was their particular role.
- 8 O I'd like to bring your attention now to an
- 9 incident that occurred on April 6, 1999, and I'd
- 10 like you to talk both about the conduct of the
- 11 militia and the role of the military, the regular
- 12 military, in that incident.
- 13 A Yes. In Liquica, which is west of Dili, a
- 14 largest town, late in the afternoon, personnel or
- 15 young men from a militia group called BMP, Besi
- 16 Merah Putih, Redwhatta (phonetic) and Reverend
- 17 Whatbinin (phonetic) in the Indonesian national
- 18 colors, together with Indonesia troops from the
- 19 Military Resort Command in the Local Military
- 20 District, together with police from the Local
- 21 District and plus Police Mobile Brigade, who were
- 22 effectively elite military forces themselves they
- 23 surrounded the church in Liquica where a number of
- 24 people had gathered following the distress of a
- 25 killing the day before.

1 And there were a large number of people in

- 2 this church together with a priest. The police
- 3 shot TAS into the church, and they fired their guns
- 4 into the air to create panic and confusion. And to
- 5 allow the BMP, the militia personnel, to enter the
- 6 church ground where they began to shoot at people
- 7 with guns, with arrows and bows, and assault them
- 8 with hatchets.
- 9 The people who had been sprayed in the
- 10 church with tear gas ran out of the church with
- 11 their eyes closed and then the BMP people began to
- 12 kill them, as I'd said. And eyewitnesses said at
- 13 the time that they shot and hacked people as though
- 14 they were hacking animals. Even when people were
- 15 raising their arms to surrender, they were still
- 16 shot and hacked.
- 17 Fifty-four people died in those church
- 18 grounds that day. And this fact was attested to,
- 19 not only by witnesses and by evidence collected by
- 20 the Catholic Church and religion organizations,
- 21 but, again, Australian Intelligence Reports, which
- 22 have been made public, made very clear that the
- 23 Australian Intelligence Organization knew what
- 24 happened from radio and telephone excerpts. And
- 25 they had no doubt whatsoever that at the very least

- 1 the Marlboro Brigade and military troops stood by
- 2 while the militia did the killing.
- 3 And in the words of the Australian
- 4 Intelligence Report, even if TNI was not active in
- 5 the killing themselves, they were surely culpable
- 6 by their passive standing by and watching this
- 7 happen.
- 8 And, again, this was not an isolated
- 9 incident. This was a very large killing, but such
- 10 killing had been happening on a lesser scale
- 11 repeatedly and thereafter continued.
- 12 Q Were the events that occurred at Liquica
- 13 reported in Indonesia?
- 14 A Yes, they were. I cannot tell you the
- 15 details of that. But it was possible for the
- 16 Indonesian newspapers to report these events at
- 17 that time.
- 18 THE COURT: So you have no direct
- 19 knowledge that they were, indeed, reported in
- 20 Indonesia--
- 21 THE WITNESS: I can--
- 22 THE COURT: --other than the fact that
- 23 there was no reason why they could not have been
- 24 reported?
- THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I can recall I

- 1 was following these events and these events through
- 2 the internet at the time. All the Indonesian
- 3 newspapers are available and I was regularly
- 4 checking it. And I--all I can say positively is I
- 5 cannot remember it not being covered, and it would
- 6 have been a dramatic thing to have not covered.
- 7 That's all I can say at that point.
- 8 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 9 Q And this was also widely known outside of
- 10 Indonesia?
- 11 A Very widely known, yes, yes.
- 12 O You testified earlier that after this
- 13 Santa Cruz massacre actions were taken to
- 14 discipline or at least remove the commander, who
- 15 was responsible; is that correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Were any actions taken against the police
- 18 or other military officers who were present during
- 19 the massacre?
- 20 A None whatsoever.
- 21 O At that time would Johny Lumintang have
- 22 had responsibility for discipline of military
- 23 personnel?
- 24 A He would have shared responsibility for
- 25 discipline. He would have been responsible in for

- 1 the assessment with the Inspector General, who is a
- 2 subordinate of his, with the assistant for
- 3 operations and the assistant for planning, to
- 4 scrutinize the manner in which operations are
- 5 carried out, to scrutinize the way in which plans
- 6 are carried out, and then reported to the Chief of
- 7 Staff on that matter. In that sense, yes, he would
- 8 have had a responsibility to assist matters of
- 9 discipline.
- 10 THE COURT: And so would the Chief of
- 11 Staff would have had that responsibility?
- 12 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 13 THE COURT: And the Commander in Chief--
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 15 THE COURT: --which was the President
- 16 Habibie?
- 17 THE WITNESS: Oh, no, no. It's the
- 18 commander--I'm sorry, the Commander in Chief, yes,
- 19 but below him.
- 20 THE COURT: The President Habibie?
- 21 THE WITNESS: It was President Habibie and
- 22 below him the--
- 23 THE COURT: And I think it also would have
- 24 been the responsibility of--
- THE WITNESS: Yes.

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1 THE COURT: --President Habibie? Following
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- 2 your logic and the Area Commander for Area 8, is
- 3 it, or 9?
- 4 THE WITNESS: For Military Area Command 9,
- 5 Yes.
- 6 THE COURT: Also, would have had that
- 7 responsibility?
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 9 THE COURT: So there was a whole line of
- 10 people who would have responsibility?
- 11 THE WITNESS: Indeed. This a system, Your
- 12 Honor. It's a bureaucracy. But we're talking
- 13 about a man in the second, top position in the Army
- 14 of Bureaucracy. And basically Air Force and Navy
- 15 don't matter in Indonesia in terms of numbers or
- 16 significants. And a man who's specific job
- 17 description includes supervision of precisely the
- 18 manner in which operations are carried out. So,
- 19 yes, it's a responsibility he undoubtedly shared.
- 20 But it's part of a system, and he has a very
- 21 prominent role as holding the second, highest rank
- 22 in the Armed Forces.
- 23 THE COURT: Does he have any greater role
- 24 in the Chief of Staff himself?
- 25 THE WITNESS: No. I think it could be

- 1 said that they would have roughly comparable
- 2 responsibility. Their lieutenant general and
- 3 general very extreme, the two most, senior ranks.
- 4 And certainly also one can say that in a very
- 5 general sense the president of a country shares
- 6 responsibility. He is the Commander in Chief.
- 7 THE COURT: And there's no reason why the
- 8 present country itself would not be aware of that
- 9 atrocity?
- 10 THE WITNESS: He would have had the means
- 11 of finding out of that then, yeah.
- THE COURT: Well, you suggested that had
- 13 it not been reported in the Indonesian newspapers
- 14 that would have struck you as--
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 16 THE COURT: --an unusual circumstance that
- 17 caught your attention?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 19 THE COURT: So by deduction, if you will,
- 20 you're assuming that, indeed, it was reported.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yes. My only comment would
- 22 be that--I mean, as I have no doubt that Habibie,
- 23 in fact, knew of it in the scale of things of what
- 24 was happening in the presidency at that time. It
- 25 was one of a number of things, but, indeed, he

- 1 would have known about it, yes.
- 2 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 3 Q Bringing your attention to May 5, 1999,
- 4 would you describe what happened on that day?
- 5 A There are two events that took place on
- 6 that day, which are relevant here. The first is in
- 7 New York an agreement was signed between the United
- 8 nations and the governments of Indonesia and East
- 9 Timor, in what is known as the May 5th Agreement.
- 10 And this agreement -- this agreement was the formal
- 11 International Agreement between the United Nations
- 12 and these two countries to conduct the poplar -- what
- 13 was described formerly as the Popular Consultation
- 14 of East Timor.
- Under that term, part of the--the May 5th
- 16 Agreement, security in the Province of East Timor
- 17 for the duration of the ballot and its preparation
- 18 was to be carried by the Indonesian Armed Forces.
- 19 The second thing which happened on the -- on May 5th,
- 20 which is relevant, is that Lieutenant General
- 21 Lumintang issued a telegram, an instruction, to
- 22 Military Resort Commander -- the Commander of
- 23 Military Resort 164.
- Q I'd like to ask you to identify Exhibit 9.
- 25 (Document passed to the Court.)

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1 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
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- 2 Q Can you identify this?
- 3 A Yes. This is a copy of a telegram
- 4 sent--it says on the top line, from the Chief of
- 5 Staff to the Commander of Military Area 9. And it
- 6 is--it seems reasonable to me to authenticate it,
- 7 because of the signature of General Lumintang at
- 8 the bottom and the stamp of the Army Commander as
- 9 Army Chief of Staff.
- 10 Q And can you describe the content of--
- 11 A Yeah.
- 13 A This is a telegram--I'm sorry, wrong
- 14 glasses on--which is--this is a telegram which is
- 15 sent over the signature of the Deputy Army Chief of
- 16 staff, formerly from the Chief of Staff to the
- 17 Commander of Military Area Command. It's addressed
- 18 to the Chief of Staff, the Deputy Chief of Staff,
- 19 the Inspector General, the assistance within the
- 20 Chief of Staff's office, and the Commander of
- 21 Military Command 164. That is East Timor.
- 22 And it says, "Aye, aye, referring to
- 23 the Chief of Staff's letter B, stroke, 50, stroke,
- 24 Roman IV, stroke, 1999, dated 13th of April 1999,
- 25 about preparing or regarding the order to

- 1 anticipate situations which may arise and
- 2 concerning the choice of options for the people of
- 3 East Timor.
- 4 "Item BBB, accordingly, and in accordance
- 5 to the above, the people receiving this letter, the
- 6 addresses, are to do the following. One, be ready
- 7 to confront or to face all possibilities and
- 8 option--all possibilities about the options for the
- 9 people of East Timor and from the choice of
- 10 options.
- "Two, prepare a security plan" to
- 12 confront--sorry, start again, please. "Prepare a
- 13 security plan with the aim of preventing the
- 14 outbreak of civil war, including preventive action,
- 15 brackets, creation of conditions, closed brackets,
- 16 police actions, repressive, stroke, coercive
- 17 actions, as well as plans for moving back, stroke,
- 18 evacuation if the first option becomes the choice.
- "CCC, this is an order. DDD, end."
- 20 Q Can you explain the reference to possible
- 21 civil war?
- 22 A Theoretically-well, theoretically they
- 23 would--there would have been a claim, a suggestion
- 24 that they were would have been direct fighting
- 25 between those who supported integration with

- 1 Indonesia and those who supported
- 2 self-determination and independence for East Timor.
- 3 There was, in fact, no such fighting in
- 4 the sense of two-sided fighting. There were, in
- 5 fact, by that stage, assaults by pro-integration
- 6 forces on anyone who spoke or was believed to be
- 7 speaking for independence.
- 8 Q And was there a general pattern of
- 9 military support for the anti-independence
- 10 factions?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q At about this--are you familiar with a
- 13 manual that was--went out over General Lumintang's
- 14 signature at about the same time?
- 15 A Yes, I am.
- 16 O And is that manual--does that manual
- 17 describe the nature of the kinds of activities that
- 18 would be carried out in support of the actions in
- 19 East Timor and elsewhere in the military?
- 20 A Yes. This is a manual, and for Army
- 21 Secret Warfare and the organization within in the
- 22 Army which carries out Secret Warfare, according to
- 23 Army Doctrine, is Special Forces. And it's a book
- 24 of development guidelines of how to develop this
- 25 appropriate with the Army, which includes

1 instructions about education and training of those

- 2 personnel tasks with Secret Warfare.
- 3 And in one part, on Page 35 of this
- 4 manual, if I may read what it says about that. "To
- 5 training, and to be carried out on the basis of
- 6 Army Secret Warfare skills or repossessed using the
- 7 following methods: A, teaching of Army Secret
- 8 Warfare theory in class arranged in accordance with
- 9 the schedule of activities of units which covers:
- 10 One, Tactics and Techniques of what I describe as a
- 11 war, quoted, War of Nerves." Literally means war of
- 12 nerves.
- "Two, Tactics and Techniques of
- 14 Propaganda. Three, Tactics and Techniques of
- 15 abduction or killing or kidnapping. Four, Tactics
- 16 and Techniques of Terror. Five, Tactics and
- 17 Techniques of Agitation. Six, Tactics and
- 18 Techniques of Sabotage. Seven, Tactics and
- 19 Techniques of Infiltration. Eight, Tactics and
- 20 Techniques of Surveillance. Nine, Tactics and
- 21 Techniques of bugging, " which I mentioned includes
- 22 wiretapping. "Ten, Tactics and Techniques of Photo
- 23 Intelligence. And eleven, Tactics and Techniques
- 24 of Psychological Operations.
- 25 "B, a written examination will be given to

- 1 determine how far the member has internalized the
- 2 teaching of the theory of Army Secret Warfare. And
- 3 C, a field practice individual group for putting
- 4 into practice the theory in teaching of Army
- 5 Secretary Warfare will be given."
- 6 Q And what was the relationship of Johny
- 7 Lumintang to this manual?
- 8 A He--the manual is--is issued in over his
- 9 name and signature. And his signature appears on
- 10 the fourth page of the document and the stamp
- 11 appears--it's well dated the 30th of June, 1999.
- 12 It's a--exactly the kind of manual, training
- 13 manual, that one would expect to be issued from
- 14 Army Headquarters. I've seen comparable manuals.
- I have no reason to believe it's not
- 16 authentic. The layout, the content, the language,
- 17 is--is quite familiar to me. And it--yeah, it's
- 18 exactly--it's authentic and I have no doubt that
- 19 that was the intention was to ensure that those
- 20 skills and objectives were taught.
- 21 MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like to now introduce
- 22 into evidence Exhibit 9, which is the telegram, and
- 23 also I had previously neglected to introduce into
- evidence the Maps 1, 2, and 3.
- 25 THE COURT: Very well. Plaintiffs'

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1 Exhibits 1, 2, and 3 for identification will be
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- 2 introduced into evidence. And Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- 9 for identification will be introduced into
- 4 evidence--will be accepted into evidence, excuse
- 5 me.
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 7 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- Nos. 1 through 3 and 9
- 9 were received into
- 10 evidence.]
- 11 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 12 Q Professor Tanter, during this period after
- 13 May 5th when the Popular Consultation, as the vote,
- 14 was anticipated were there complaints from outside
- 15 of Indonesia to the Indonesian Government about the
- 16 Army's support of the militia?
- 17 A I believe they were. We know of one in
- 18 particular. And it was a mission to decanter by
- 19 the Vice-Chief of the Australian Defense Force, a
- 20 vice-martial Doug Riding. And he was sent on a
- 21 mission to Jakarta equipped with records of -- or the
- 22 results, I should say, and the sanitized results of
- 23 very, very large numbers of Australian Signal
- 24 Intelligence Intercepts, which Australian's
- 25 Intelligence believed indicated, not only that the

- 1 Indonesia Armed Forces, and in particular Kopassus
- 2 and the current troops, were aiding, abetting,
- 3 arming, encouraging, and directing the militia
- 4 activities in the first--well, at that time the
- 5 first half of 1999.
- 6 But they also indicated that they believed
- 7 that the military chain of command was complete, in
- 8 tact. There was no suggestion that these were
- 9 maverick operations. And that the chain of command
- 10 went in the words of the report all the way to the
- 11 top.
- 12 They met Air vice-martial Riding with
- 13 very, senior officers within the Indonesian Armed
- 14 Forces Headquarters and made clear the Australian
- 15 Government's concern about this, the Australian
- 16 Government's certainty about the question--about
- 17 the role of TNI and the role of the chain of
- 18 command in this. And we are told that the
- 19 Indonesian officers were somewhat offended by the
- 20 suggestion.
- 21 O Were there reports of a specific meeting
- 22 in June of 1999 with the militia leaders laying out
- 23 the plan of the Army of the Armed Forces for what
- 24 was to take place?
- 25 A There were--there were regular meetings,

- 1 and we have records of two, which are very
- 2 important. One in June. And if I might refer to
- 3 one in March, which I perhaps neglected to mention
- 4 earlier on.
- 5 On the 26th of March, and this is from the
- 6 evidence of Tomas Goncalves, he met with a group of
- 7 senior Indonesian officials, civil and military, at
- 8 the Military Headquarters in Dili. And he met in
- 9 particular with the Commander of Military Resorts
- 10 and 164, Colonel Tonos Ruffman (phonetic), with the
- 11 Governor of East Timor, Abilio Soares.
- 12 And at that meeting Governor Soares said
- 13 that the militia were to prepare to liquidate all
- 14 senior Pro-Independence people and their parents,
- 15 sons, daughters, and grandchildren. If they sought
- 16 shelter in the churches, kill them, even the nuns
- 17 and priests. And I might point out that that's
- 18 March 26th, before the Liquica killings in the
- 19 church. On--
- 20 Q Just for a minute. Just would you tell us
- 21 about the religion of the people of East Timor.
- 22 A They are overwhelmingly Catholic in
- 23 religion and there is some Muslim and very small
- 24 numbers of other religions.
- 25 Q Yes. Now, if you would tell us about the

- 1 this second meeting.
- 2 A Okay. On the June the 18th, there was a
- 3 meeting, once again, at--in Dili at Military
- 4 Resorts 164 Headquarters. And the meeting was
- 5 intended to draw up comprehensive plans. And the
- 6 people--amongst the people participating in the
- 7 meeting, were the most senior officers directly
- 8 involved in East Timor. In particular, Major
- 9 General Anwar, former Head of Military
- 10 Intelligence.
- 11 And at this stage he was the
- 12 principal -- the official head, of security for the
- 13 Indonesian liaison contingent with UNTAET, the
- 14 United Nations Administration Assistance for East
- 15 Timor. And his deputy, the KOREN 164 Commander,
- 16 Colonel Tono Suratman, the militia heads.
- But also, another figure, another Major
- 18 General named Mr. Kiki Syahnakri, K-I-K-I,
- 19 S-Y-A-H-N-A-K-R-I, Syahnakri. At that meeting, the
- 20 decision was--the situation was faced that it was
- 21 possible that Indonesia may not win the vote. And,
- 22 therefore, it was appropriate to draw up
- 23 contingency plans.
- 24 And the contingency plans were in two
- 25 parts. The first was to--from that time forward,

- 1 to derail--to attempt to derail, the process, the
- 2 popular consultation as agreed, under the May 5th
- 3 agreement either in the run-up to the vote or on
- 4 the day of the vote.
- 5 The second approach was that if, in fact,
- 6 the vote was lost from Indonesia, the militia were
- 7 to reject the results, demand these Timorese be
- 8 petitioned into, I imagine, a Pro-Indonesian and an
- 9 independent part. And that there was to be a
- 10 forced relocation of the board of the local
- 11 population and a flooding into the empty regions of
- 12 East--non-East Timorese. It was, in effect, a plan
- 13 for cleansing East Timor.
- 14 O August 30th there was what is called the
- 15 Popular Consultation, the referendum on the issue
- of autonomy or independent. What were the results?
- 17 A Some 98 percent of the population of the
- 18 eligible population voted. More than 79 percent of
- 19 the people voted in favor of independence and
- 20 against autonomy.
- 21 O What was the reaction of the Indonesian
- 22 Military to the elections or to the referendum
- 23 result?
- 24 A To the ballot? Immediately after the
- 25 announcement of the result on September 4th--but

- 1 even before that, from August 30th, there was a
- 2 dramatic escalation of militia violence involving
- 3 TNI. A violence directed against independence
- 4 leaders, their families, against ordinary
- 5 civilians.
- 6 And it was directed, also, against local
- 7 East Timorese staff of the United Nations mission
- 8 in East Timor. And many people were killed
- 9 immediately. And it was clearly a campaign of
- 10 terror in the sense that many of the killings were
- in public and intended to terrorize people to
- 12 induce them to move.
- 13 There was also immediate intimidation of
- 14 UNAMET staff throughout the foreign UNAMET staff
- 15 throughout the territory, as well as in Deli. And
- 16 there was the intimidation of journalists. And the
- 17 effect was to force the United Nations to call for
- 18 the withdraw of all UNAMET staff first from the
- 19 regions into Dili, and subsequently to Australia.
- 20 And all journalists felt obliged to leave
- 21 or were obliged to leave. And there was basically
- 22 unrestricted killing and assaults on people by the
- 23 militia and by elements of the Armed Forces of
- 24 Indonesia at that time.
- 25 Q What do you believe to be the relationship

- 1 between the activities immediately following the
- 2 election and the directions given at the June 1999
- 3 meeting?
- 4 A I believe they exactly carry out that
- 5 briefly described plan. And, particularly, I
- 6 talked about the violence and killings. But the
- 7 second thing which happened, which certainly began
- 8 to happen a couple of days after the announcement,
- 9 was the beginnings of the forced evacuations, the
- 10 deportations of people, as outlined in the June
- 11 19th meeting and consistent with the diagram of May
- 12 5. And very large numbers of people from all over
- 13 the territory but, particularly, the central and
- 14 western areas closest to the border of West Timor
- 15 were forced, first, from their homes. Their homes
- 16 were burnt or the towns were burnt. The villages
- 17 were burnt. People were killed.
- 18 They were herded, directed first to the
- 19 local district or Subdistrict Military Headquarters
- 20 by militia where they were held either by militia
- 21 in concert with Armed Forces personnel or by Armed
- 22 Forces.
- 23 And then after a shorter or longer time,
- 24 they were accumulated and driven or forced over the
- 25 border into West Timor. Some went by ships. The

- 1 ones that went by land over the border to East
- 2 Timor, many of them went in Military Headquarters'
- 3 trucks and jeeps. Others went, and commonly did,
- 4 in stolen vehicles. The ones that went by ship
- 5 went under military authority.
- 6 And that's exactly consistent with the
- 7 objectives of the June 18th plan. It was clearly
- 8 intended to move very, very large numbers of people
- 9 out of East Timor. In fact, according to the
- 10 United Nations figures, between the result of the
- 11 developing announcement of September 4th and
- 12 September 21st at the time that the International
- 13 Military Force of East Timor entered Dili;
- 14 according to the United Nations, some 240,000
- 15 thousand people had crossed the border into West
- 16 Timor.
- 17 And according to the testimony of
- 18 eyewitnesses, including aide workers and U.N.
- 19 workers; and, b, the number of people who have
- 20 since crossed back into East Timor once U.N.
- 21 authority was established, the very large
- 22 proportion of those people went unwillingly and
- 23 were forced. And, of course, in the camps in West
- 24 Timor, they were subject to terror and
- 25 intimidation, both by militia and by Armed Forces,

- 1 Indonesia Armed Forces, personnel at that time.
- 2 Q And the camps in West Timor were they
- 3 under military control?
- 4 A Some were directly under military control.
- 5 Some were in the civil control, but with effective
- 6 military control, and some were informally
- 7 controlled by the militia.
- 8 O Was there martial law in East Timor after
- 9 the election?
- 10 A No, not immediately. Martial law was
- 11 declared--the ballot was on August the 30th. The
- 12 result was announced on September the 4th. Martial
- 13 Law was declared on September 7th. And the Martial
- 14 Law Administrator appointed was, in fact, made to
- 15 General Kiki Syahnakri, who had previously been the
- 16 assistant for operations subordinate to General
- 17 Lumintang within the deputy--within the Army
- 18 Headquarters. And it's not clear whether he
- 19 surrendered his position as assistant for
- 20 operations or whether he was simply Martial Law
- 21 Administrator pro tem, but he came directly from
- 22 that position.
- 23 Q You testified about the violence against
- 24 the population of East Timor after the vote on
- 25 August 30th. What happened to the physical

- 1 conditions inside East Timor?
- 2 A I must--extraordinarily and sustained and
- 3 coordinated program of destruction was clearly put
- 4 into place. And this has been attested to, not
- 5 only by eyewitnesses by military observers, by aide
- 6 observers. And frankly anyone who has been to East
- 7 Timor could also by the United Nations read the
- 8 Human Rights report on East Timor and by the
- 9 Indonesian National Commission of Human Rights
- 10 report on East Timor.
- This program of destruction involved the
- 12 destruction, the blowing up or burning of, a, major
- 13 building of homes, the destruction of cars, of
- 14 shops, construction of -- the university just went.
- 15 Most schools were destroyed. Many churches were
- 16 destroyed. One Australian military observer who
- 17 entered--seen an officer who entered the Township
- 18 of Suai on the Southwest Coast, when in the
- 19 Southwest Coast set in a -- they even ring back the
- 20 trees which were--
- 21 O I think you need to explain what that is.
- 22 A Certainly. It's a very Australian matter
- 23 and it's--it's a symbol of wanton vandalism that
- 24 you take, the tree is growing and it has its bark
- on the outside. You cut a ring around here

- 1 (indicating). You cut a ring around here
- 2 (indicating) and you pull the bark off. And that
- 3 means the tree will die, because the sap cannot
- 4 rise and the tree cannot grow. It's a standard way
- 5 of killing trees.
- 6 And it indicates the degree of
- 7 destructiveness that was intended by in this
- 8 undoubted, coordinated plan. This didn't happen
- 9 just in one or two places. It happened everywhere.
- 10 And there is also reason to believe that this had
- 11 been discussed beforehand.
- 12 There was a report by a man called Former
- 13 Major General H. R. Garnadi, G-A-R-N-A-D-I, who was
- 14 the assistant, principal assistant minister to the
- 15 coordinating minister for politics and security.
- 16 And--excuse me. And if I might just quote from one
- 17 section of this report.
- 18 And the validity of which was accepted by
- 19 the Indonesian National Human Rights Commission
- 20 inquiry into events in East Timor. I'm sorry, I
- 21 don't have it here but I--it's--it's very clear.
- 22 All right. I'm sorry. Can I just take a minute to
- 23 find it, please. Is that--
- 24 Q I believe that will be okay.
- 25 THE COURT: We are going to break in a

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1 matter of moments, Ms. Chomsky, so I don't know
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- 2 whether this would be a good time to break.
- MS. CHOMSKY: Why don't we do that then?
- 4 THE COURT: Very well.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry to be--
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you.
- 7 THE COURT: We'll reconvene at 2:00
- 8 o'clock.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: And you anticipate how much
- 11 longer with Professor Tanter?
- MS. CHOMSKY: I would say another half an
- 13 hour. If I may, Your Honor, how long do you sit
- 14 during the day?
- THE COURT: We'll go on until 5:00
- 16 o'clock.
- 17 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you.
- THE COURT: Do you have other witnesses
- 19 who will replace the professor?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, we do.
- 21 THE COURT: We'll reconvene at 2:00
- o'clock.
- [Luncheon recess.]

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- 2 [2:00 p.m.]
- 3 THE COURT: You may continue, Ms. Chomsky.
- 4 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 5 Whereupon,
- 6 RICHARD TANTER, PLAINTIFFS' WITNESS, RESUMED
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 9 Q You were looking for a report right before
- 10 the break. Professor, have you located that
- 11 report?8
- 12 A Yes, I have. It's a report of the
- 13 politics and the security team in Dili No. M53,
- 14 strike, TIM, P4, stroke, OKTT, stroke, 1999. It's
- 15 addressed to the coordinating minister of politics
- 16 and security. It's from the Assistant Coordinating
- 17 Minister 1, stroke, Home Affairs. Mr. H. R.
- 18 Garnadi, a former major general.
- 19 It's headed, General Assessment if Option
- 20 1 loses. Option 1 being integration within
- 21 Indonesia. It's a five-page discussion about
- 22 various aspects of that. But in the last page, it
- 23 moves to the question alternative possibilities,
- 24 which can be carried out.
- 25 And Part B of that--or Part A

- 1 is--maintained a commitment to win special
- 2 autonomy. But Part B is to create an alternative
- 3 plan, a contingency plan, in order to face the
- 4 situation if Option 1 is not accepted. A plan to
- 5 expedite evacuation for Indonesian civil servants
- 6 and outsides before the announcement of the result
- 7 to the ballot.
- 8 C, to prepare elements of the TNI near the
- 9 areas for evacuation. D, prepare the NTT
- 10 territory. That's Musa Dagara (phonetic). It
- 11 means Eastern Indonesia, in general. The territory
- 12 to receive massive refugees, including their
- 13 security. And E, and this is somewhat curious, if
- 14 it's only aimed at the withdraw of Pro-Indonesian
- 15 citizens of Indonesia. A planning and securing the
- 16 withdraw root, if possible, destroying vital
- 17 instant lack of facilities or objects. That's the
- 18 last part there from H.R. Garnadi.
- I should say that Minister Garnadi, when
- 20 this document was discovered--that's a document
- 21 from June--when this was discovered in December, he
- 22 claimed that he had not written the document.
- 23 However, the signature is his and the Indonesian
- 24 National Commission of Human Rights investigation
- 25 to East Timor accepted, in fact, that the document

- 1 was valid.
- 2 O And this was a document that was created
- 3 in June of 1990?
- 4 A That's right. The same--around the same
- 5 time that Major General Syahnakri from General
- 6 Lumintang's office was, in fact, meeting with local
- 7 Koran commanders to plan the concrete version of--
- 8 THE COURT: June of 1999?
- 9 THE WITNESS: 1999, yes, sir.
- 10 THE COURT: Okay.
- 11 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 12 Q I'd like to bring you back for a moment to
- 13 the manual that you testified about earlier?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 THE COURT: Are you talking about the Army
- 16 manual, Ms. Chomsky?
- 17 MS. CHOMSKY: This is the--the manual that
- 18 was written by or that included the signature of--
- 19 THE COURT: Of the defendant?
- MS. CHOMSKY: --the defendant.
- 21 (Document handed to witness.)
- 22 THE WITNESS: Which one are you talking
- 23 about? Oh, yes, this one. Yes.
- 24 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 25 Q This is marked as Exhibit 11 and I would

- 1 like to move it into evidence. However, I--
- 2 THE COURT: Was it previously identified
- 3 as Exhibit 11. I don't--
- 4 MS. CHOMSKY: No, it hadn't been yet.
- 5 THE COURT: I see.
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: I don't have it--
- 7 THE COURT: So you're showing the witness
- 8 Exhibit 11.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: Exhibit 11.
- 10 THE COURT: I see.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- MS. CHOMSKY: And I apologize to the Court
- 13 that I don't have a copy.
- 14 THE COURT: All right.
- 15 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 16 Q And I'd ask the witness to identify it for
- 17 the record.
- 18 A This--this is a document called, A Book of
- 19 Development Guidelines about Secret Warfare for
- 20 Army Secret Warfare Number 43, stroke, B, stroke,
- 21 01. It is issued with a letter of decision from
- 22 the Army Chief of Staff and dated the 30th of June
- 23 1999. And that's Army Chief of Staff
- 24 decision--letter of decision is signed by
- 25 Lieutenant General Johny Lumintang on the 30th of

- 1 June. And it is--it has the stamp of the Chief of
- 2 Staff of the Army.
- 3 Q You testified, I believe, earlier that the
- 4 U.N. Forces ultimately arrived in East Timor and
- 5 took over from the Indonesian Military.
- 6 A Yes, they did, indeed, yes.
- 7 Q And do you recall the date of that?
- 8 A They began to enter on either 20th
- 9 certainly or the 21st. There were certainly there
- 10 by the 21st.
- 11 Q And were these the first--
- 12 THE COURT: 21st of what?
- 13 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, Your Honor. 21st
- 14 of September.
- 15 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 16 Q So that the forest evacuation that you
- 17 testified about earlier essentially took place in
- 18 about 20 days, less than--
- 19 A Yeah.
- 20 Q --20 days?
- 21 A That's right.
- 22 Q A third of the population was moved in
- 23 that--
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q --time?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q In your opinion, was this the result of a
- 3 long-term planning strategy?
- 4 A It could not have been otherwise. It
- 5 was--the number of people, the number of staff that
- 6 the Indonesian Military and Militia had to the job
- 7 had to be reasonably rationally allocated.
- 8 And there was evidence on the ground, the
- 9 similarity of the way it was done from one village,
- 10 one town, to another. Moreover, it follows--it's
- 11 consistent, both with the reports of the June 19th
- 12 meeting--the June 18th meeting, I should say,
- 13 involving Major General Syahnakri and Suki Anwar.
- 14 It's also consistent with the general character of
- 15 the telegrams sent by Lieutenant General Lumintang
- on May the 5th. Each is a step more concrete in
- 17 developing that. It could not have been anything
- 18 other than a well-organized plan.
- 19 THE COURT: Professor--
- 20 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 21 THE COURT: --did the evacuation--and I
- 22 think you indicated earlier Indonesians and
- 23 Indonesian sympathizers or those folks who
- 24 were--well, they're all citizens of Indonesian?
- THE WITNESS: Yeah, yes, yeah, I take your

- 1 point.
- THE COURT: Yes.
- 3 THE WITNESS: And no. In fact, the
- 4 evacuation had, if you'd like, three groups of
- 5 people we can classify as. One is Indonesian civil
- 6 servants and the like, a relatively small number,
- 7 many of whom left before the ballot.
- 8 And secondly, Pro-Indonesian East Timorese
- 9 who went more as willingly or possibly in some fear
- 10 of their lives. But a much larger number of East
- 11 Timorese who went involuntary, forcibly, who were
- 12 either in favor of independence or neutral. I'm
- 13 giving that some 80 percent of the population had
- 14 voted for independence. I think we can reasonably
- 15 say many of them were Pro-Independents.
- 16 THE COURT: I don't want you to speculate.
- 17 And on the other hand, you're familiar with the
- 18 area of politics. What would be the underlining
- 19 motive of evacuating those not sympathetic to
- 20 aligning themselves with Indonesia if, indeed, the
- 21 vote were to go against Indonesia? Why would they
- 22 want people who are opposed to joining with
- 23 Indonesia within their own midst.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 25 THE COURT: Who was going to be left--

- 1 THE WITNESS: All right.
- 2 THE COURT: --in East Timor, especially
- 3 the Indonesian Civil Service, those East Timorese
- 4 who perhaps wanted to go with the Indonesians? They
- 5 were just vacating the area?
- 6 THE WITNESS: No. In that June 18th
- 7 meeting, where the high military officers came to
- 8 Timor to get both local senior officers and
- 9 discussed the options. One of--one part of it was
- 10 the forced evacuation plan. The other matter which
- 11 was on the other aspect which was discussed there
- 12 was moving in non-East Timorese after the event.
- 13 In other words, in that regard, that the
- 14 planning at that meeting would appear to be forces,
- 15 a cleansing. Effectively it was cleansing. And
- 16 then reintroducing, what, non-East Timorese.
- Now, I believe, in fact, that there was a
- 18 plan. The Australian Intelligence description of
- 19 it is quite--simply quite reasonable, which is that
- 20 there was a comprehensive but flexible plan which
- 21 adjusted to contingencies. And that the first help
- 22 was that if the vote went against them, they
- 23 could--I don't want to say brazen. That's too
- 24 individual. They could ride it out. After all,
- 25 they had written out 24 years of severe

- 1 international criticism, and they believed they
- 2 could do it again; one of the reasons why the U.N.,
- 3 UNAMET, teams were forced out, intimidated and
- 4 forced out.
- 5 And one reason why the journalists were
- 6 forced out was the attempt which very nearly
- 7 succeeded to isolate the territory. And then they
- 8 could continue with the deportations unobserved and
- 9 unhindered.
- I believe there was--that, in fact, they
- 11 hoped either that--well, sorry--there's a third
- 12 element, I believe. And I cannot judge this. It
- 13 was very small evidence but it was some. They
- 14 hoped that the terror that was unleashed after
- 15 September 4th, the announcement, would so provoke
- 16 the Army of the Independence Movement in East
- 17 Timor, which were up in hills.
- 18 There were about three or four thousand
- 19 people up in the hills. It would provoke them to
- 20 come and defend their own people. And if they
- 21 could achieve that goal, then it would create the
- 22 impression of a Civil War. It would be a
- 23 two-sided, rather than a one-sided event. And the
- 24 advantage of that would be twofold.
- 25 Firstly--well, the most important--the

- 1 most important advantage would be the United
- 2 Nations would be most unwilling to intervene to
- 3 send peacekeeping troops to a fighting war and a
- 4 civil war. Civil wars are complicated. The U.N.
- 5 wanted to avoid that. And I can certainly say that
- 6 on the basis of the interviews I had in June at the
- 7 United Nations that that was one they were worried
- 8 about.
- 9 But, they, in fact--events overtook that
- 10 Indonesian plan, I believe. They got the
- 11 deportation happening, but it was impossible to
- 12 bring in other people. And I'm not sure--well,
- 13 that didn't happen. But the other thing, what did
- 14 they hope to achieve? Either they held onto it by
- 15 brazening it out, or what they created by cleansing
- 16 the population, politically cleansing it, and
- 17 was--and then by destroying the infrastructure it
- 18 would be independent, but it would mendicant.
- 19 THE COURT: No. I understand that.
- THE WITNESS: No, not necessary--yeah.
- 21 THE COURT: Yes, I follow the albeit walk
- 22 rational that they may have engaged in, but I'm
- 23 still not sure I understand how that duck tails in
- 24 with removing, forcibly removing, a large group of
- 25 East Timorese people prior to the events.

1 We were talking about June of '99 was the

- 2 date of memorandum. And it seems to me if you
- 3 remove the people ahead of time and you were
- 4 contemplating fostering the civil war, so you need
- 5 people who are petrified. Why would you extract
- 6 the people who are antagonistic. It seems to me--
- 7 THE WITNESS: Well--
- 8 THE COURT: --they're there, let them do
- 9 battle.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yeah, it would--what they
- 11 moved was ordinary people, villages, and
- 12 townspeople, not guerrillas. And they had been
- 13 targeting the independent leaders and their
- 14 families. You know, the villages that were brought
- 15 up.
- But the forced deportations didn't start
- 17 until September. And the plan was there. The
- 18 restraining intelligence intercepts, which talk
- 19 about two to three weeks before the--before the
- 20 ballot. There are intercepts from even quite
- 21 junior officers, a number of them who talk about
- 22 the big sweep which is coming. So the plan was
- 23 there.
- The logic, Your Honor, is a difficult one.
- 25 I think my own feeling is that they wanted to keep

- 1 their options opened. They would control the
- 2 population of East Timor. You would have 200,000
- 3 people over the border. And if they held onto the
- 4 territory, they could completely cleanse in their
- 5 terms, and the political character of those people
- 6 and those remaining. If it became independent,
- 7 well, either they could keep those people in
- 8 Indonesia, or let them go back or not. But either
- 9 way East Timor was a crippled country.
- 10 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
- 11 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 12 Q Indeed, at the present what has happened
- to the majority of the people who were forcibly
- 14 relocated to West Timor?
- 15 A They have returned to--the great--the vast
- 16 majority of them have returned to East Timor. Many
- 17 of them were held in militia control camps in West
- 18 Timor. And they were the subject of numerous
- 19 protests by, for example, the Unite States
- 20 Government and other governments at the U.N. and
- 21 directly to Indonesia.
- 22 And, now, we believe that most of the
- 23 people, not all, but most of the people who are in
- those camps willing--most of the people who are in
- 25 the camps are there willingly. But there may be

1 some doubts still about that because some are still

- 2 controlled by militia, in fact.
- 3 O Following the establishment of the U.N.
- 4 force, a U.N. Military Force in East Timor, what is
- 5 the nature of the government there?
- 6 A It's a virtually unique situation.
- 7 It's--it's a united--it's a non-self-government
- 8 territory administered by the United Nations and
- 9 United Nations UNTAET, United Nations
- 10 Administration for East Timor, which with the
- 11 intention that the territory should become
- 12 independent with its own constitution. The time
- table is shifting a little bit, but certainly
- 14 within two years.
- 15 The United Nation's Administrator on East
- 16 Timor is advised by a council largely made up of
- 17 representatives from the CNRT, the Catholic Church,
- 18 and some other organizations. And progressively
- 19 senior members of that council have
- 20 responsibilities, administrative responsibilities,
- 21 have been turned over to them, so many of them are
- 22 now de facto ministers under this U.N.
- 23 Administration.
- 24 O So that--
- THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky, you're talking

- 1 about the present government?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Yes.
- 3 THE COURT: What relevance does that have
- 4 to the issue of damages, be it punitive or
- 5 otherwise?
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: Your Honor, subject to later
- 7 connection, they'll be some documents that we want
- 8 to bring in that are authenticated by the de facto
- 9 government there which is--and that's all I'm
- 10 trying to establish.
- 11 THE COURT: All right.
- 12 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 13 Q Subsequent to September of 1999, have
- 14 there been any reports or investigations of the
- 15 events in East Timor by international bodies?
- 16 A Yes, they have a number. The two most
- 17 important -- or the most important one by an
- 18 international body was a report commissioned by the
- 19 United Nations Human Rights Commission and Security
- 20 Council, jointly, and the United Nations report.
- 21 And there's also been a national report by--within
- 22 the Indonesia Government by the National Commission
- 23 on Human Rights.
- Q First, with regard to the U.N. report, I'd
- like to show you Exhibit 10, and ask you to

- 1 identify it.
- 2 (Document handed to the witness and the
- 3 Court.)
- 4 A This is a document, a United Nations
- 5 document distribution, General No. S, stroke, 2000,
- 6 stroke, 59, comma, I, stroke, 54, stroke 726, dated
- 7 the 31st of January. It commences with letters
- 8 from the Secretary General to the President of the
- 9 General Assembly, the President of Security
- 10 Council, and the Chairperson of the Commission of
- 11 Human Rights.
- 12 Q And contained within this document is the
- 13 report of the International Commission of Inquiry?
- 14 A Indeed, it is. Yes.
- MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like to move Exhibit 10
- 16 into evidence, and I also would like to move
- 17 Exhibit 11, which was identified, but I failed to
- 18 move it into evidence.
- 19 THE COURT: Okay. Plaintiffs' Exhibit 11
- 20 for identification and Plaintiffs' Exhibit 10 for
- 21 identification will be admitted into evidence.
- 22 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- Nos. 10 and 11 were
- 24 received into evidence.]
- MS. CHOMSKY: I'd like to--I won't take up

- 1 the time to read it into the record, but I'd like
- 2 to draw the Court's attention particularly to
- 3 Paragraphs 51 through 58, 65, 70, 75 to 82, 84, 93,
- 4 and 140.
- 5 THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky, if you would
- 6 repeat that. 51?
- 7 MS. CHOMSKY: 51 through 58.
- 8 THE COURT: Right.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: 65.
- 10 THE COURT: Right.
- 11 MS. CHOMSKY: 70. 75 to--
- 12 THE COURT: I have the rest. 51, 58, 65,
- 13 70, 75, 82, 84, 93--
- 14 MS. CHOMSKY: 75 to 82.
- 15 THE COURT: To 82. 84, 93, and 104.
- MS. CHOMSKY: That's correct.
- 17 Excuse me.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I thought you said 140. That
- 19 was all.
- MS. CHOMSKY: 140 was one of them.
- 21 THE COURT: 140?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Yes.
- THE COURT: As opposed to 104?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Oh, yes.
- THE COURT: Okay.

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1 MS. CHOMSKY: I'm sorry did I say--
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- THE COURT: My bad. It was my error. 140.
- 3 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 4 O Do you care to comment any further on this
- 5 report?
- 6 A I'll just point out what it says. At the
- 7 one stage--the United Nations, the people carrying
- 8 out this inquiry themselves regarded it as
- 9 preliminary. They regarded that the time is
- 10 incredibly short prepared. That they had only
- 11 scratched the surface, and when they prepared the
- 12 report.
- 13 And I just stress the -- the importance of
- 14 it, the undoubted basis of it in a great deal of
- 15 testimony they received in a short period of time,
- 16 and the diversity of forms of Crimes Against
- 17 Humanity, which they documented, including gender
- 18 violence, and intimidation, and terror.
- 19 Q And could you bring the Court's attention
- 20 to the major conclusion--
- 21 A Indeed.
- 22 0 -- of the investigation?
- 23 A I believe if we--if you look at Paragraph
- 24 140, which comes at the end of a section of a
- 25 conclusion, which is, headed, Indonesian Army and

- 1 Military involvement. That presents in Paragraph
- 2 140, "The commissioner is of the view that
- 3 ultimately the Indonesian Army was responsible the
- 4 intimidation, terror, and killings and other acts
- of violence experienced by the people of East Timor
- 6 before and after the population--sorry, the Popular
- 7 Consultation."
- 8 And they, in fact--earlier on they--they
- 9 have--there was much discussion and of the role of
- 10 the militia, the TNI directional militia, and the
- 11 role of the TNI itself.
- 12 THE COURT: Professor, it seems in that
- 13 first paragraph they suggest, do they not, that the
- 14 collective data indicates that certain individuals
- 15 who are particularly with the director involved?
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 17 THE COURT: Does the report or is there
- 18 any underlying raw data that identify the
- 19 individuals?
- 20 THE WITNESS: No, not that I have seen.
- 21 They certainly in the report do not name
- 22 individuals.
- 23 THE COURT: When they say "further the
- 24 evidence collected"--
- THE WITNESS: Yes.

1 THE COURT: --what do you mean by that? Or

- 2 do you know what they mean by that or what you
- 3 think they mean?
- 4 THE WITNESS: No, I don't. All I know is
- 5 the general character of the evidence selected the
- 6 general character of the people they talked to and
- 7 the kind of evidence that they had--that such
- 8 weaknesses would have been to override them with.
- 9 That's all I can tell you, Your Honor. When in a
- 10 sense that I've--no, they have not given any names
- 11 at all. And so one can't judge that. They stop at
- 12 the level of saying the Army, in general, is
- 13 responsible.
- BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 16 Indonesia-based inquiry.
- 17 A Indeed. There was a--at virtually the
- 18 time that the United Nations inquiry was taking
- 19 place, there was an inquiry by the Commission for
- 20 Human Rights violations in East Timor, brackets,
- 21 KPP, hyphen, HAM, closed brackets, which was
- 22 established by the Indonesian National Commission
- 23 for Human Rights. And the--it was established on
- 24 the 22nd of September of 1999, and which was, one
- 25 may say, somewhat brave decision by a Human Rights

- 1 Commission at that time within the Habibie
- 2 Government. And they were very much criticized for
- 3 doing so.
- 4 And when they did report in February, I
- 5 think it's fair to say that many observers,
- 6 including myself, who expected very little from the
- 7 Indonesian Government report, were astonished and
- 8 rather admiring of the penetration of the report
- 9 and its character.
- 10 It's--the report, if I just may read from
- 11 the heading from a section of Part 3, "The Patents
- 12 of Violence of Human Rights, called in Crimes
- 13 Against Humanity. Based on facts, documentation,
- 14 and information of witness testimony, KPP-HAM not
- 15 only found actions that could be classified as
- 16 gross Human Rights violations, for which the state
- 17 is responsible, but also found evidence of crimes
- 18 that can be classified as crimes of universal
- 19 jurisdiction. These included crimes--these crimes
- 20 included systematic and mass murder, extensive
- 21 destruction, enslavement, forced deportations, and
- 22 displays of inhumane acts committed against the
- 23 civil population.
- 24 "KPP-HAM found evidence in East Timor that
- 25 a planned systematic and massive scorch earth

1 campaign was launched in various cities, including

- 2 Dili, Liquica, and others.
- 3 "The Crimes Against Humanity described
- 4 above show a systematic program that resulted from
- 5 extensive planning. And in the period after the
- 6 Popular Consultation, violence increased
- 7 drastically throughout East Timor, including
- 8 murders, kidnappings, rape, poverty destruction,
- 9 theft of homes and property, the burning and
- 10 destruction of military installations, offices, and
- 11 civilian residences, with a goal of forced
- 12 deportation.
- 13 Members of the TNI"--Palri (phonetic),
- 14 that's the Indonesian Police, "and the militias
- 15 were the key figures responsible for this campaign,
- 16 which included the creation of conditions." Which
- is the same phrase that we've heard earlier.
- 18 "Choice of acts committed, scheduling, and planning
- 19 of the forced deportation. This campaign was
- 20 initiated to convince the international community
- 21 that the results of the Popular Consultation shall
- 22 be doubted, and the people of East Timor would
- 23 rather choose to live safely in West Timor."
- It then goes on to describe the victims
- 25 and perpetrators in particular. Shall I continue

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- 3 THE COURT: Does that identify
- 4 individuals?
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 6 THE COURT: That identified the defendant?
- 7 THE WITNESS: No. May I, perhaps,
- 8 describe how they described it?
- 9 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 10 O Yes, please.
- 11 A "There are three groups of perpetrators of
- 12 these Crimes Against Humanity, namely, those who
- 13 committed crimes in the field, including the
- 14 militia, and the military, and the police
- 15 authorities.
- 16 "Those who ran the field operations in the
- 17 civilian bureaucracy and those who held
- 18 responsibility for National Security Policy,
- 19 including but not limited to high level military
- 20 officials who actively or passively were involved
- 21 in these crimes.
- The involvement of the Civil
- 23 Administration in the military working together
- 24 with the pro-integration militia groups in the
- 25 aforementioned Crimes Against Humanity constitutes

- 1 a misuse of power of authority, which resulted in
- 2 the involvement of both military and civil
- 3 institutions.
- 4 "In detail, the aforementioned proof
- 5 demonstrates that members of the civilian and
- 6 military institutions, including the police are
- 7 suspected of involvement, but including, but not
- 8 limited to the following persons."
- And they name the governor, the Commander
- 10 of Military Resort 164, the Commander of Military
- 11 Area Command 164, and the Advisor to the Indonesian
- 12 Task Force for the consultation Major General Zaky
- 13 Makarim.
- Other names and all--and then it goes on
- 15 to say, All names against inhumanity--oh, I'm
- 16 sorry. "All Crimes Against Humanity in East Timor
- 17 directly or indirectly incurred because of the
- 18 failure of the Armed Forces Commander to quaranty
- 19 security during the implementation of the
- 20 announcement of the two options by the government."
- 21 In view of this--I'm sorry. The police
- 22 structure, which was at that time still under the
- 23 command of the Defense Ministry, had weakened the
- 24 ability of the police force to carry out its
- 25 security duties based on the New York agreements.

- 1 In view of this Armed Forces Commander
- 2 General Roantho (phonetic) is the party that must
- 3 be asked to be a responsibility.
- I believe they--General Lumintang was not
- 5 named, but officers immediately beneath him were
- 6 named. His Commander in Chief was named. The
- 7 category of those responsible for National Security
- 8 Policy and of the Implementation of Planning
- 9 would--that category was named.
- 10 THE COURT: When you say "His Commander in
- 11 Chief, "who's Commander in Chief?
- 12 THE WITNESS: Yes. I'm sorry. The
- 13 Commander of Chief of Armed forces, not the
- 14 present. I agree. I should--on this map here, the
- 15 Armed Forces Commander in Chief.
- 16 O Oh, here it would be?
- 17 A Yeah, yep, yep. No--Yeah, it's not on
- 18 that.
- 19 But I should stress that it's clear from
- 20 the way that this committee has--this commission
- 21 has reported and that they certainly did not regard
- 22 those culpable as limited to those that they list.
- 23 Q In fact, they do so specifically?
- 24 A They do so.
- 25 THE COURT: But they did see fit to name

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1 some individuals and not others?
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- 2 THE WITNESS: They did.
- 3 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 4 O What is Defendant Lumintang's present
- 5 position?
- 6 A He is--as of February this year, he is the
- 7 Secretary of the Department of Defense of
- 8 Indonesia. That--there's a Minister of Defense
- 9 above him.
- 10 O And is the Military of Indonesia still
- 11 engaged in the same pattern of crimes against the
- 12 civilian population of other areas still under
- 13 their control?
- 14 A Indeed. In Hat Yai, which is the
- 15 northwestern tip of Sumatra, it is very fierce, and
- 16 a struggle continuing there in what was Irian Jaya
- 17 and has been named Papra (phonetic) Barat, West
- 18 Papra, and also in parts of the Moluccas.
- 19 Q I'd now like to show you Exhibit 12.
- MS. CHOMSKY: And this is a death
- 21 certificate, which I'm going to ask for you to put
- 22 under seal since it identifies one of the
- 23 plaintiffs.
- 24 BY MS. CHOMSKY:
- 25 Q And I'd like to ask you, Professor Tanter,

- 1 to explain once more what the East Timor National
- 2 Resistance Council is.
- 3 A The East Timor National Resistance Council
- 4 is usually known by its Portuguese initials, CNRT,
- 5 and it is regarded by the United Nations as the
- 6 representative of the people of East Timor, and the
- 7 majority of members of the Council advising the
- 8 United Nations Administrator for East Timor from
- 9 the CNRT. In practical terms, the CNRT structure
- 10 throughout East Timor is being used by the United
- 11 Nations authority for practical administrative
- 12 purposes.
- MS. CHOMSKY: We have the original
- 14 certified copy there, Your Honor. I'd like to move
- 15 it into evidence as Exhibit 12, and ask that it be
- 16 placed under seal.
- 17 THE COURT: The Court will receive into
- 18 evidence Plaintiffs' Exhibit 12 for identification,
- 19 the death certificate.
- 20 MS. CHOMSKY: And I--
- 21 THE COURT: At this point the Court will
- 22 admit it under seal. But prior to the close of
- this hearing, Ms. Chomsky, the Court would want to
- 24 hear from you or one of your colleagues on the
- 25 issue of sealing, in view of the fact that the

- 1 Court is under the impression that the case has
- 2 been removed from being under seal. And I think
- 3 Mr. Schneebaum confirmed that. So we may be left
- 4 with a very narrow component of the case; namely,
- 5 the names of the parties involved.
- 6 MS. CHOMSKY: That is actually the only
- 7 part that--
- 8 THE COURT: But we'll discuss that later.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: And--
- 10 THE COURT: But for the moment, this will
- 11 be admitted and also it will remain under seal.
- 12 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- 13 No. 12 was received into
- 14 evidence.]
- MS. CHOMSKY: I have here Exhibit 13,
- 16 which is also a certified copy of a death
- 17 certificate. And I'd like to move that into
- 18 evidence.
- 19 THE COURT: Very well. That would be
- 20 admitted.
- 21 [Plaintiffs' Exhibit
- No. 13 was received into
- evidence.]
- 24 MS. CHOMSKY: These would be the
- 25 originals.

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(Documents handed to the Court.)
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               THE COURT: Ms. Chomsky?
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              MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, Your Honor.
               THE COURT: There are two death
    certificates that have been introduced. Are they
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    reflective of any of the named plaintiffs?
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               MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, they are.
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               THE COURT: All right. Perhaps for the
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    record, it would be helpful to have you identify
    which exhibit relates to which John Doe?
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               MS. CHOMSKY: I believe Exhibit 12 is the
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    death certificate of John Doe 1, and Exhibit 13 is
    the death certificate of John Doe 4?
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               MR. DICAPRIO: 5.
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              MS. CHOMSKY: 5.
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              THE COURT: Thank you.
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               MS. CHOMSKY: And, Your Honor, I have the
    original certified copies --
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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              MS. CHOMSKY: --here.
              May I have a moment, please?
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               THE COURT: Yes.
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               (Briefly confers with co-counsel.)
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MS. CHOMSKY: I have no further questions

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and I'd like to--

- 1 THE COURT: I assume, Ms. Chomsky, you're
- 2 not prepared or you're not contemplating
- 3 introducing the Human Rights report of the
- 4 Indonesian militia?
- 5 MS. CHOMSKY: It'll all be in Indonesian,
- 6 Your Honor.
- 7 THE COURT: Oh, I see. I'm sorry. There's
- 8 no English translation. Very well. I understand.
- 9 MS. CHOMSKY: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Thank you. Professor, you may
- 11 step down.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 13 THE COURT: The professor is free to go,
- 14 Ms. Chomsky?
- MS. CHOMSKY: Yes, he is. I'm sorry.
- 16 THE COURT: After we try the Kyoto--
- 17 THE WITNESS: Virus trailer, yes, but
- 18 soon.
- 19 THE COURT: Kyoto is a delightful time
- 20 this time of year.
- 21 THE WITNESS: The cherry blossom time.
- THE COURT: Yes, indeed.
- MS. CHOMSKY: We have cherry blossoms
- 24 here, as well.
- 25 [Witness excused.]

1 MS. CHOMSKY: I believe the next witness

- 2 will be John Doe 3.
- 3 THE COURT: All right.
- 4 MR. DICAPRIO: With the Court's
- 5 permission, Your Honor, we would like the
- 6 interpreter to be able to be seated in the jury
- 7 box.
- 8 THE COURT: Yes.
- 9 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Judge.
- 10 And may the witness approach the witness
- 11 chair, please?
- 12 THE COURT: Yes.
- JOHN DOE 3, PLAINTIFFS' WITNESS, SWORN
- 14 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 16 Q I am going to ask you some questions and I
- 17 would ask you to keep your answers limited to the
- 18 questions that I ask. I would ask the interpreter
- 19 to repeat my question out loud so the Court can
- 20 hear the interpretation and the rest of the
- 21 courtroom.
- 22 THE INTERPRETER: Can you, please, repeat
- 23 the question.
- Q I will be asking you questions, And I
- 25 would ask you that you limit your response to the

- 1 question that I ask.
- 2 Are you the plaintiff named as John Doe 3
- 3 in this proceeding?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And you were born on August 12, 1973; is
- 6 that correct?
- 7 A Yes, 1973.
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 Q You also bring this action on behalf of
- 11 your father who is John Doe 4 in this action; is
- 12 that true?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And is it also true that you bring this
- 15 action on behalf of your older brother who is
- 16 deceased and named as John Doe 5 in this
- 17 proceeding?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And do you currently reside in Dili, East
- 20 Timor?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 O And is this--
- 23 THE COURT: Would you spell that for the
- 24 record--
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor.

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1 THE COURT: --Mr. DiCaprio?
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- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: D-I-L-I.
- 3 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 4 Q Can you see the map from where you're
- 5 sitting?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And is it accurate to say that this is
- 8 where Dili is located in East Timor?
- 9 A I can go and see the map.
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: May I approach the witness,
- 11 Your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: Yes. Having the record
- 13 reflect is this East Timor is not going to be very
- 14 helpful for anyone reading the transcript, Mr.
- 15 DiCaprio.
- MR. DICAPRIO: I'm sure. I just want it
- 17 for the Court's knowledge.
- 18 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 19 Q Is this where Dili is (indicating)?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 THE COURT: And the record will reflect
- 22 that you're pointing at a location marked Dili on
- 23 the map. Is that correct, Mr. DiCaprio?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Judge, yes, sir.
- 25 [Laughter.]

- 1 THE COURT: That will be helpful.
- MR. DICAPRIO: I know I was there, Judge.
- 3 THE COURT: But that doesn't help the
- 4 record, Mr. DiCaprio.
- 5 MR. DICAPRIO: I'm sure it doesn't. Thank
- 6 you, Judge.
- 7 THE COURT: If you were pointing to an
- 8 area, which is marked on the map Dili, then I think
- 9 the record will be complete.
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
- BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 12 Q Now, you were born in Hato-Udo Anaro,
- 13 which is approximately 90 miles east of--90 miles
- 14 from Dili, East Timor; is that true?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And you are married and you have two
- 17 children; is that true?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Are you currently employed in an
- 20 organization known as Yayasan Hak. That is
- Y-A-Y-A-S-A-N H-A-K?
- 22 A Yes, I am.
- 23 Q And is Yayasan Hak, a Human Rights
- 24 Organization in East Timor?
- 25 A Yes, that's right.

- 1 Q And are you employed in the position of
- 2 Director of the Advocacy Division?
- 3 A Yes, I'm a--my position is the Director of
- 4 the Division of--I forgot--a lawyer.
- 5 Q And as part of your duties, do you take
- 6 and maintain reports from victims of Human Rights
- 7 abuses?
- 8 A Yes. I'm in charge for the investigation
- 9 of Human Rights violations in East Timor and all
- 10 issues about the same file that have been from the
- 11 victims who are involved--I'm sorry, who are from
- 12 the victims.
- 13 O Now, are you familiar with the current
- 14 United Nations authority UNTAET, U-N-T-A-E-T, in
- 15 East Timor?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And is there a Special Crimes Division of
- 18 UNTAET?
- 19 A Yes, there is. It's called Serious Crime
- 20 Unit and Human Rights Unit.
- 21 Q And are you familiar with the function of
- 22 that division of UNTAET?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And would you describe what that part of
- 25 the administration does?

1 A We together with--we are cooperating with

- 2 the Serious Crime Unit of UNTAET administration of
- 3 the investigation in this file. And one of the task
- 4 of this division is collecting the evidence and
- 5 report about Human Rights issues. For example, we
- 6 are--try to pick up the bones of people who was
- 7 killed during the jubilance period. We also give
- 8 counseling for those people who was in particularly
- 9 careless who was raped during that period, as well.
- 10 Q Now, may I ask you: You're referring to a
 - certain period of time. And would you identify by
- 12 month and year what period of time you're referring
- 13 to?

- 14 A I'm referring that period from October '99
- 15 until the present moment.
- 16 O In regard to crimes that were committed
- 17 from the period of August 30 through the end of
- 18 September, does a serious crime--
- 19 THE COURT: Of what year, Mr. DiCaprio?
- 20 MR. DICAPRIO: I'm sorry, Your Honor.
- 21 1999.
- THE COURT: August 30?
- MR. DICAPRIO: August 30.
- 24 THE COURT: Through September?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Judge.

- 1 THE COURT: September what?
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: 1999.
- 3 THE COURT: The end of the September? The
- 4 beginning of September?
- 5 MR. DICAPRIO: Through the end of
- 6 September 1999.
- 7 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 8 Q Are you involved in any investigations
- 9 relating to crimes that took place during that
- 10 period of time?
- THE INTERPRETER: '98? '99?
- 12 MR. DICAPRIO: 1999.
- THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
- 14 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 15 Q Now do you serve as a liaison between the
- 16 victims for crimes that occurred during that period
- of time and the Serious Crimes Unit?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Now, you've completed a degree at East
- 20 Timor University; is that true?
- 21 THE INTERPRETER: Would you repeat the
- 22 question, please?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Certainly.
- 24 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 25 Q How far have you gone in school?

1 A I graduate high school in 1992, and then I

- went to college until 1999.
- 3 Q I'm sorry. Until when, please?
- 4 THE INTERPRETER: 1999.
- 5 Q Did you receive a Bachelor's Degree in
- 6 Political Science?
- 7 A Yeah, I graduate from political science at
- 8 that University of East Timor.
- 9 Q And was that in April of 1998?
- 10 A Yes, it was in April '99.
- 11 Q April of 1999?
- THE INTERPRETER: Yeah. Not '98. It was
- 13 in '99.
- 14 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 15 Q Did you work in any group or organization
- 16 relating to the Independence Movement in East
- 17 Timor?
- 18 A I'm not only involved in the Students
- 19 Movement or any kind of movement but in favor of
- 20 the Independence. But I also recognize a small
- 21 group of the same men in my town and other places
- 22 that fight or demand activity of this organization
- 23 is in favor of the self-determination of East
- 24 Timor.
- Q What was the name of the group that you

- 1 worked with?
- 2 A The group where I belonged to is CNRT.
- THE INTERPRETER: I don't know how to do
- 4 translate in English.
- 5 A National Council of East Timor residents.
- 6 Q Thank you.
- 7 A And the other one is Front Inter-political
- 8 Organization.
- 9 Q When did you start working with these two
- 10 organizations?
- 11 A Since 1992.
- 12 O And would you describe generally the
- 13 nature of your activities with these groups?
- 14 A My role in these two organizations is an
- 15 action of intermediary between the headquarter of
- 16 these two organizations in Dili with my countrymen
- 17 in the mountain. What I did is try to organize
- 18 slide demonstration and distribute information from
- 19 Dili to the mountain and mountain to Dili. I also
- 20 do public campaign, how to civilize and educate
- 21 people in political aspect.
- 22 MR. DICAPRIO: I'm sorry. I didn't
- 23 understand on the first part of that answer. He
- 24 also helped to organize a public campaign?
- THE INTERPRETER: No, no. Yeah, he also

1 organized a public campaign which means they tried

- 2 to educate and civilize more people politically.
- 3 MR. DICAPRIO: I would ask the interpreter
- 4 to try to relax and it's not necessary for to rush
- 5 your answers.
- 6 THE INTERPRETER: Okay.
- 7 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you.
- 8 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 9 Q And can you tell me whether or not you
- 10 were familiar with your, brother, John 5's
- 11 political activities during his lifetime?
- 12 A Yes, I know.
- 13 Q And would you describe your brother's
- 14 activities, please.
- 15 A My brother also was involved in every kind
- 16 of political activity. In particularly in the
- 17 movement of students in favor of independence, of
- 18 course. He start involving this kind of activity
- 19 since he--he was in Indonesia for study.
- 20 Q Your brother went to college in Indonesia;
- 21 is that correct?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q And your brother is two years older than
- 24 you are?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q And were you aware of the nature of his
- 2 activities when he was attending college in
- 3 Indonesia?
- 4 A Yeah. His main activity or the nature of
- 5 his activity--activities took part in every action
- 6 decided by their organization he belonged to and,
- 7 like, take part in the demonstration or protests
- 8 against the Indonesian Government toward the
- 9 violation of Human Rights, not only in East Timor,
- 10 but in Indonesia, as well.
- 11 Q All right. And your father, John Doe 4,
- 12 are you familiar with your father's political
- 13 activities?
- 14 A Yes, I know. And my father was also
- 15 involved in the same organization and do the same
- 16 activity, yes.
- 17 Q Did you and your father and brother
- 18 discuss your political activities, each of your
- 19 political activities?
- 20 A Yes. Not only with my father and brother,
- 21 but with all members of my family. We always and
- 22 discuss about any kind of activity that relate to
- 23 the movement in favor of Independence.
- Q Now, can you tell me, please, prior to
- 25 August 30, 1999, where your father resided?

- 1 THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry. Could you
- 2 please repeat the question?
- 3 MR. DICAPRIO: Sure.
- 4 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 5 Q Where was your father living on August 29,
- 6 1999?
- 7 A He was--he lived in Hato-Udo.
- 8 O And is that an area in East Timor?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And where does it appear on the map?
- 11 A It's in the district of Anaro in west-- in
- 12 the direction to the west of East Timor.
- 13 THE COURT: Mr. DiCaprio, the reporter is
- 14 going to have a difficult time unless someone
- 15 spells those names for him.
- MR. DICAPRIO: I will do that, Your Honor.
- 17 Thank you.
- 18 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 19 Q Now, you said in the district of which is,
- 20 Ainaro, A-I-N-A-R-O; is that correct?
- 21 A Yes, it is correct.
- 22 Q And that essentially is located in the
- 23 Western portion of East Timor; is that true?
- 24 A Yes.
- Q Now, would you spell, please, the name of

1 the village that your father was living in and have

- 2 the interpreter spell it, please.
- 3 A Yes, I can. H-A-T-O-U-D-O.
- 4 O And did your father hold any position in
- 5 that village as a member of the CNRT?
- 6 A Yes. He was coordinator of these
- 7 organizations or as representative president of his
- 8 organization in the village where he lived
- 9 representing especially the group of adults or old
- 10 ages.
- 11 THE INTERPRETER: Well, not really old
- 12 ages. Adults.
- 13 MR. DICAPRIO: Right.
- 14 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 15 Q When you say he was the coordinator of
- 16 these organizations, what organizations are you
- 17 referring to?
- 18 A I refer that CNRT, National Council of
- 19 Residents of East Timor.
- 20 Q Now, you were advocating for something in
- 21 your political activity; is that true?
- 22 THE INTERPRETER: I wonder if this is the
- 23 answer but he said--
- 24 THE COURT: What do you mean--
- 25 THE INTERPRETER: I think--

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1 THE COURT: --you wonder whether this is
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- 2 the answer?
- THE INTERPRETER: Pardon. I don't think--
- 4 THE COURT: Well, are you saying--
- 5 THE INTERPRETER: --he understood well the
- 6 question.
- 7 MR. DICAPRIO: Would you, please, let the
- 8 Judge finish his question and then you--
- 9 THE INTERPRETER: Okay.
- 10 THE COURT: Are you not sure that he's
- 11 responsive to the question or you're not sure what
- 12 his answer is?
- 13 THE INTERPRETER: I'm not sure what his
- 14 question--his answer to the question.
- THE COURT: Whether it's responsive to
- 16 the--
- 17 THE INTERPRETER: Yeah.
- 18 THE COURT: --question? I see. Okay.
- 19 THE INTERPRETER: So I'd like if you'd
- 20 repeat the question.
- 21 THE COURT: Why don't you--
- 22 MR. DICAPRIO: Even if the answer--I'm
- 23 sorry, Your Honor. I didn't mean to talk over you.
- 24 THE COURT: Why don't you repeat the
- 25 question, Mr. DiCaprio, and the interpreter will

- 1 determine whether or not this was the answer. But
- 2 it seems to me that under the circumstances,
- 3 regardless of whether or not it's responsive, I
- 4 think the interpreter is required to give whatever
- 5 answer the witness gave.
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, I believe so, Your
- 7 Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: Then you can determine whether
- 9 or not it's responsive.
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 11 Please, do not provide--please, just
- 12 provide an answer, as indicated by the witness, and
- 13 then we'll--
- 14 THE INTERPRETER: Okay.
- MR. DICAPRIO: If there's a problem with
- 16 the answer, we'll can ask a different question.
- 17 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 18 O The question is: You were advocating for
- 19 something and so was your father and your brother.
- 20 What were the things that you were advocating for?
- 21 A First thing is I try to--try to advocate
- 22 the Timorese people how they can know about their
- 23 right of self-determination.
- Q I'm sorry, self-determination?
- 25 THE INTERPRETER: Yeah.

1 A Second, it's about the violation that the

- 2 Indonesian Military did to East Timor. And the
- 3 third was try to help them how to organize and get
- 4 aid or support from the international community to
- 5 help the residents fight another struggle.
- 6 Q Directing your attention to the years 1992
- 7 through 1994. During that period of time were you
- 8 ever arrested or threatened by the Indonesian
- 9 Military as a result of your political activities?
- 10 A Yes, I was arrested once, and it was in
- 11 July 14, 1994.
- 12 Q And what were the circumstances leading to
- 13 your arrest?
- 14 A We did organize a demonstration against
- 15 the Indonesian Military in my campus, in my
- 16 university campus.
- 17 Q And did you organize a demonstration? Is
- 18 that what you said?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q What were you demonstrating against?
- 21 A We demonstrate against the military of
- 22 Indonesia.
- 23 Q Was there a specific incident that had
- taken place that had led to the demonstrations?
- 25 A The reasons for this demonstration was

- 1 that the Indonesian Military assault all the
- 2 residents, the physical residents of Catholic
- 3 sisters and threaten them--
- 4 O And where did this?
- 5 A --in Maliana. I'm sorry.
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: You said and threaten them?
- 7 Is that what the last word was?
- 8 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 9 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you.
- 10 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 11 Q Where did this assault upon these Catholic
- 12 nuns take place?
- 13 THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry.
- 14 O Where was the assault?
- 15 A The assault was in the District of
- 16 Maliana, M-A-L-I-A-N-A. In the west of East Timor.
- 17 Q And can you show me approximately--
- 18 THE INTERPRETER: Yeah.
- 19 Q --where it is? I'm pointing to which is
- 20 again in the middle of the country, but almost to
- 21 the western border of East Timor?
- 22 A Yes, it's in front here with Western
- 23 Timor.
- Q Okay. Would you describe what happened on
- 25 that occasion to you?

- 1 A I was asked in front of my campus, and
- 2 they took me to the police station. And was there
- 3 for three days and three nights, and there was no
- 4 legal process against me.
- 5 Q When you say "they took you to the police
- 6 station, " would you describe who it was, please,
- 7 that--would you identify the people that arrested
- 8 you?
- 9 A Yes. Those who arrest and took me to the
- 10 police station was a member of the Indonesian
- 11 Police.
- 12 Q And you remained in custody for three
- 13 days; is that correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q During this period of time were you
- 16 threatened?
- 17 A Yes, I was threatened.
- 18 Q Would you describe what took place,
- 19 please?
- 20 A Yes. I was interrogated and they
- 21 threatened they would kill me. And if they do, so
- 22 nobody will--I would disappear that--I mean--
- 23 Q So you were threatened that you would be
- 24 killed and that you would disappear; is that
- 25 correct?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And during this three-day period of time
- 3 how often were these threats made against you?
- 4 A Many times.
- 5 Q Did they occur--were these threats
- 6 regular--I'll withdraw the question.
- 7 Approximately did these threats--were they
- 8 made approximately every hour?
- 9 A It's been during the day and the
- 10 threatening was less, but in the night it also was
- 11 aware, watch us--watch me and threatening me almost
- 12 every, every, every hour.
- 13 O All right. Prior to 1994, July of 1994,
- 14 was there an incident that place where you were
- 15 demonstrating outside of your university because of
- 16 some action taken by the Indonesian Military?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 O And approximately when did this incident
- 19 take place?
- 20 A There was an incident prior to '94. It
- 21 was in April, August, and September in 1993.
- Q Was there a particular demonstration
- 23 relating to the monitoring of students by the
- 24 Indonesia Military at your university?
- 25 A Yes. In the first demonstration, the

- 1 reason to make a demonstration was because we were
- 2 watched almost all the time by the Indonesian
- 3 Military. And the second one, the reason was the
- 4 because the Indonesian Military didn't respect the
- 5 Catholic Sisters.
- 6 MR. DICAPRIO: And the first occasion, I
- 7 didn't quite understand. Did you say because you
- 8 were being watched?
- 9 THE INTERPRETER: Exactly.
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: Is that the word you were
- 11 using?
- 12 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 13 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 14 Q On that occasion, there was a
- 15 demonstration that you participated in; is that
- 16 true?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 O And on that occasion did the Indonesian
- 19 Military arrive at your campus?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q Approximately how many soldiers were
- 22 present at the campus?
- 23 A It depends. And sometimes two or three.
- 24 Sometimes four or five who came over and was on the
- 25 campus.

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1 Q Was there any occasion when the university
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- 2 was surround by Indonesian Army with rifles?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 O And was this the same occasion when there
- 5 was demonstration that was taken place because of
- 6 the monitoring of the students?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And would you will describe what the
- 9 soldiers did at that time?
- 10 A They often came over to the university
- 11 with mobile phone and watched every step of us. And
- 12 they communicate with the police or other
- 13 colleagues in the headquarters and the police and
- other colleagues would come over and watch
- 15 everything that we did in the campus.
- 16 Q I'm asking you specifically about the
- 17 occasion when the Indonesian Army came to the
- 18 campus armed with rifles. Do you recall that
- 19 occasion?
- 20 His answer, please. Did he say yes?
- 21 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you.
- 23 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 24 O And is this the same demonstration
- 25 relating to the monitoring of students?

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1 A Yes.
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- 2 Q And did the Indonesian Army soldiers fire
- 3 their rifles?
- 4 THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry?
- 5 Q Did the soldiers fire their rifles?
- 6 A Yes, they did when we do some reaction
- 7 against them.
- 8 Q And as a result of them firing their
- 9 rifles, did the crowd dispurse?
- 10 A Yeah. And then we ran into the college.
- 11 Q Okay. Now, East Timor is--would you
- 12 describe the topography of East Timor?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And go ahead and, please, describe it. I'm
- 15 asking: Is it flat? Is it hilly?
- 16 A It's a territory on an Island
- 17 located--insert in a dozen of islands of Indonesia,
- 18 and it's a hilly territory island. And the
- 19 majority of the population is Grecian.
- 20 Q The population?
- 21 THE INTERPRETER: The people.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- THE INTERPRETER: And the police.
- 24 A And it has 13 districts. So the west part
- 25 makes frontier with Indonesia which--

1 THE INTERPRETER: Well, he said which

- 2 name--
- 3 A And it's a frontier with the Moluccas
- 4 Island which belong to one of the Indonesian
- 5 Province.
- 6 Q So it's a hilly country; is it not?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Thank you. Now, directing your attention
- 9 from 1995 through 1999, and prior to August 30 of
- 10 1999 during this period of time; that is, from '95
- 11 through August 30 of 1999, were you ever arrested
- 12 again?
- 13 A No.
- 14 Q Were you ever threatened by any member of
- 15 the Indonesian Police Force or the Indonesian Army
- 16 or Military?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 O And how often were you threatened?
- 19 A Many times. Every time when we did
- 20 demonstration against them. In my way back home,
- 21 they met me or found me or saw me, and they will
- 22 threaten me.
- Q When you refer to "they," would you
- 24 identify, please, the group or the individuals
- 25 making these threats?

- 1 A The Indonesian Military. And sometimes
- 2 they call me to the headquarters and they
- 3 threatened me. And sometimes they came to my house
- 4 and watch me over. And then if they met me, they
- 5 did the same thing.
- 6 Q What were the threats that were made to
- 7 you?
- 8 A Like why did you do, or why do we do
- 9 demonstration against the Military or against
- 10 Indonesia? If you do such a kind of action, we can
- 11 kill you and no one will find you.
- 12 Q Did you discontinue demonstrating or being
- 13 involved in political activism?
- 14 A No.
- 15 Q Were you afraid for your safety?
- 16 A Yes. When they threatened me, I'm afraid.
- 17 But my hope to be involved in the activity of my
- 18 organization of Pro-Independence was--went on.
- 19 Q Why did you continue?
- 20 A Because we, the Timorese people, have no
- 21 rights yet to be independent from Indonesia. And
- 22 the second reason because East Timor was occupied
- 23 by Indonesia and the Indonesia Military were there
- 24 and brutally tortured people and violate people.
- 25 Q Directing your attention to the month of

- 1 March 1999. Was there an incident that took place
- 2 with a younger brother of yours? And--
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Thank you. Did you have a conversation
- 5 with your younger brother in or about August of
- 6 1999 regarding this incident that took place?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Now, when did you first learn of this
- 9 incident?
- 10 A It was in the middle of March. Two of my
- 11 younger brothers who told me.
- 12 Q Two of your younger brothers?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And did you have a conversation with them
- 15 in March of 1999?
- 16 A Yes, I did.
- 17 O And where did this conversation take
- 18 place?
- 19 THE INTERPRETER: When?
- 20 O Where?
- 21 A It was in Dili when they came and
- 22 report--informed me about what had happened.
- 23 Q So they traveled to Dili to tell you about
- 24 what had taken place; is that correct?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q All right. What did they say to you?
- 2 A Yes. They told me that he was
- 3 interrogated. Why all of us in my family? They
- 4 didn't take part in the militia organization. And
- 5 why all of us just involved in the Independent
- 6 Movement? Just because of this reason, he hadn't
- 7 finished yet his answer. They start beating and
- 8 hitting him.
- 9 Q And who was it that perpetrated these acts
- 10 against your brother?
- 11 A Members of Indonesian Military.
- 12 Q All right. Did you have a discussion with
- 13 your brother about this incident in August of 1999?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q What did your brother say to you?
- 16 A He told me the same thing that two
- 17 brothers told me before. Why we in my family when
- 18 no one take part in the militia organization? But
- 19 just in the Pro-Independence Movement.
- 20 Q Did your brother tell you what was done to
- 21 him?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q What did he tell you?
- 24 A He told me that he was trying to answer
- 25 their questions, but they didn't give him a chance.

- 1 And they start beating him in his face and hitting
- 2 him with a gun tip, glass, or the wood, kind of
- 3 wood. And then he started bleeding--and started
- 4 bleeding from his mouth, nose, eyes, and his body
- 5 started to swell.
- 6 Q Was your brother hospitalized? And for
- 7 how long?
- 8 A My father who took him to the hospital,
- 9 and he was there for around three weeks.
- 10 O Did this have any affect upon you?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Would you describe, please, the affect
- 13 that this had upon you?
- 14 A If affect me the way that it make me--made
- 15 me afraid with the safety of my family.
- 16 Q And when you say you're afraid--
- 17 A Because I thought that they could
- 18 eventually kill my parents or my brothers, and they
- 19 could make them disappear.
- 20 Q And how often did you have these thoughts
- 21 or fears? How often did you experience these
- 22 fears?
- 23 A It was a constant way of feeling, because
- 24 since March of that year the activity of the
- 25 militia was getting--how do I say--wanting and

- 1 getting harder.
- Q Okay. Did you have any trouble sleeping?
- 3 A Yes. Sometimes in the night I sleep and I
- 4 start to remember my family. And I think about
- 5 those threats makes me worry a lot, and I just
- 6 cannot sleep and sometimes I just cry alone.
- 7 MR. DICAPRIO: Should I proceed with
- 8 another line of questions, Your Honor?
- 9 THE COURT: Why don't we take a 10-minute
- 10 break now, Mr. DiCaprio, and then we can go on and
- 11 continue until 5:00 o'clock.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: How long do you anticipate the
- 14 balance of the examination of this witness?
- MR. DICAPRIO: Your Honor, I would
- 16 anticipate between one and two hours.
- 17 THE COURT: I see. So you won't be
- 18 completing this witness today?
- 19 MR. DICAPRIO: I may, Your Honor. I'm not
- 20 sure how much longer the bench will take, but it's
- 21 likely that I will not.
- 22 THE COURT: That's all right. I'm not
- 23 rushing you. I'm just trying to get some idea of
- 24 the logistics.
- 25 All right. Why don't we take a 10-minute

- 1 break at this time.
- 2 (Recess.)
- 3 THE COURT: Mr. DiCaprio, you may proceed.
- 4 MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: We'll go to approximately 5:00
- 6 o'clock. And if you're finished with the witness,
- 7 fine. If not, we'll resume tomorrow morning.
- 8 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes, Judge.
- 9 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 10 Q You heard the testimony of Dr. Tanter
- 11 regarding the announcement by President Habibie on
- 12 January 27, 1999?
- 13 A Yes, I did.
- 14 O After these announcements were made--this
- 15 announcement was made, were there any announcements
- 16 made by any members of the Indonesian Military?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Do you recall when the first time you
- 19 heard an announcement?
- 20 A Yes. The first time I hear about this
- 21 announcement was in January 27th in the evening at
- 22 8:00 o'clock.
- 23 Q All right. And do you recall who made the
- 24 announcements?
- 25 A President of Indonesia B.J. Habibie.

- 1 Q Okay. After President Habibie's
- 2 announcements were there any announcements made by
- 3 the Indonesian Military in response to President
- 4 Habibie's announcement?
- 5 A Yes. After the announcement of the
- 6 President Habibie the military in East Timor made a
- 7 counter-announcement against the position of the
- 8 President.
- 9 Q Could you identify who made the
- 10 counter-announcement?
- 11 A Yes. It was made by the Chief of
- 12 Military, the Indonesian Military in East Timor.
- 13 O And do you recall what he said?
- 14 A Yes. First, they said that they did not
- 15 agree with the decision taken by the President
- 16 Habibie. Second, because the Timorese people
- 17 is--be a part of Indonesian. And that the
- 18 President, if you want to take any decision, he
- 19 should consult first the hierarchy of military, the
- 20 Indonesian Military in East Timor.
- 21 MR. DICAPRIO: The third was that if
- 22 before the President made--
- 23 THE INTERPRETER: Before the President
- 24 made any decision, he should consult the military,
- 25 organized military, who was posted in East Timor.

1 MR. DICAPRIO: He should have consulted

- 2 him?
- THE INTERPRETER: Yes, he should have
- 4 consulted.
- 5 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 6 Q And what was the second part of the
- 7 announcement?
- 8 A The second part was that the Timorese
- 9 people are Independent, being of Indonesia or being
- 10 integrated in Indonesia. Not in the standpoint of
- 11 East Timor become an Independent country apart from
- 12 Indonesia.
- 13 O Was the second part of the announcement
- indicating that the people of East Timor were
- 15 independent as part of Indonesia?
- 16 A Yeah, that's the announcement of the
- 17 Indonesia Military in East Timor.
- 18 Q Did you observe the reaction of the people
- 19 in the area where you are residing to this
- 20 announcement by the Military?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And where were you at this point?
- THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry. What was--
- Q Where were you residing at this time?
- 25 A I was in Dili.

- 1 Q What did you observe?
- 2 A The first thing I observed was the
- 3 reaction from the youth or the Students Movement
- 4 against this possession of the Indonesian Military
- 5 Post in East Timor. They start organize, like,
- 6 demonstration, and ask for the intervention of the
- 7 United Nations.
- 8 And the second, they ask the Indonesian
- 9 Government to withdraw its Military in East Timor.
- 10 So the process of people of consultation could be
- 11 getting out in a climate of peaceful.
- 12 And from the CRNT, the National Council of
- 13 East Timor Residents, so it start supporting the
- 14 decision taken by the President Habibie, and it
- 15 start work together with the youth or Students
- 16 Movement to the same direction. I also observed
- 17 that a representative of other countries in
- 18 Indonesia start to come to East Timor for visiting.
- 19 Q Did you notice any response--I'll withdraw
- 20 that.
- 21 Was there any change in the Indonesian
- 22 Military activity after these demonstrations to the
- 23 military announcement was made?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Would you describe what you observed,

- 1 please.
- 2 A First thing, they knew that the team was
- 3 real--accept the decision of the President Habibie
- 4 and the result would eventually be the independence
- of East Timor, and they didn't agree with this
- 6 decision. And they start--they were--they rarely
- 7 lose control, because they saw that even the people
- 8 in the small villages start to organize and think
- 9 and talking in favor of the independence.
- 10 Q When you say "they," who are you referring
- 11 to?
- 12 A I refer to the Indonesian Military.
- 13 Q Did you notice the formation of militia?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And were there any threats made against
- 16 you to join the motion?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And was there an incident that took place
- 19 on August 17, 1999?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And were you then in the village of
- 22 Hatudo, H-A-T-U-D-O?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And who was with you?
- 25 A Me and my father.

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1 Q And did you encounter Indonesia Military
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- 2 personnel?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Were these members of the army?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q How many were there?
- 7 A It was a battalion. So probably around 50
- 8 to 100 persons.
- 9 Q And would you describe what took place.
- 10 A After the ceremony of the Indonesian
- 11 Independence, at that day I was 17, they came to me
- 12 and they threaten me.
- 13 0 They?
- 14 A Yeah, they called me and my father and
- 15 they threaten us.
- MR. DICAPRIO: They threatened?
- 17 THE INTERPRETER: Threaten, yeah.
- 18 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 19 Q All right. What did they say to you?
- 20 A They asked me what I did in that village
- 21 that day. They didn't like my presence in that
- 22 village, because they knew I was the leader of the
- 23 Youth Movement.
- Q Did they make any direct threats against
- 25 you?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q What did they say?
- 3 A They said that if I organize any
- 4 demonstration in the village and then they will
- 5 kill me and they ask me to leave the village as
- 6 soon as possible.
- 7 Q Was there an incident that you observed on
- 8 August 12, 1999 in the village of Same, S-A-M-E.
- 9 A Yes. I had several incidents, because at
- 10 that day I went to that village Same--
- 11 Q Okay.
- 12 A --S-A-M-E for a public campaign.
- 13 Q I'm referring specifically to an incident
- 14 that took place in the market?
- THE INTERPRETER: I will continue my
- 16 answer, okay.
- 17 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 18 A And after that I saw the Indonesian
- 19 Military and policeman assault the market of that
- 20 village. At that incident they shot in one youth
- 21 in his legs and they arrest three people.
- 22 Q I'm sorry, they?
- THE INTERPRETER: They shot one youth and
- 24 arrest three other.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Harassed three others?

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1 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
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- 2 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 3 Q Was anybody else injured?
- 4 A No, just the only one.
- 5 Q Was anybody injured with a knife?
- 6 A Yes, there was one youth who was injured
- 7 by knife.
- 8 Q All right. And how was he injured?
- 9 A They stabbed him from back side.
- 10 Q Now, the vote took placed on August 30,
- 11 1999; is that correct?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q And were you in Dili at that time?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And on September 1, 1999, was there an
- 16 incident that took place in Matadoro,
- 17 M-A-T-A-D-O-R-O?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Would you describe what you observed at
- 20 that time?
- 21 A So the report was in August 30, 1999, and
- 22 in the first of September. The Indonesian Military
- 23 and militia start to prosecuting people and start
- 24 to open fires and running around in the town.
- Q All right. When you say that "they

1 started to open fires," would you describe what you

- 2 mean by that, please.
- 3 A They were circulating in the city with
- 4 military trucks and then they--and they just
- 5 shooting to afraid people. And if they see some
- 6 youth, and then they will get off from the truck
- 7 and throw them or prosecute them.
- 8 Q Was there any damage to homes on that
- 9 date?
- 10 A Yes. They burned houses and they also
- 11 assault many houses. And in the sequence of that
- 12 many Timorese who reside in Dili at that moment,
- 13 some of them fled into the mountain and some of
- 14 them went to the headquarters in Dili. At that
- 15 time I was there, too.
- 16 Q Was there an incident that took place in
- 17 July of 1999 relating to your father?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And did you have a conversation with your
- 20 father in August of 1999?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 O And where did this conversation take
- 23 place?
- 24 A (In English) In my house in Hatudo,
- 25 H-A-T-U-D-O?

- 1 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 2 Q All right. And was anybody else present?
- 3 A My brothers were present.
- 4 O What did your father say to you on that
- 5 day?
- 6 A They came--my father told me that the
- 7 policemen came to my parents' house and took him to
- 8 the police station. And he was interrogated
- 9 why--well, we--he said, children are active in the
- 10 movement Pro-Independence and not participate in
- 11 the movement of Indonesia. And they threated him
- 12 and asked him why he and--we, his children, are
- 13 active in the Independence Movement. Why we--my
- 14 father and some of my brothers were civil servants
- 15 for the Indonesian Government.
- 16 Q Did he indicate to you how they threatened
- 17 him?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q What did he say?
- 20 A He said that they told him if they see or
- 21 find us taking part in any demonstration in favor
- 22 of the Independence, then they will harass or kill
- 23 us. And then they said to my father that if the
- 24 Independence win in the next election, then they
- 25 will have no choice. Especially, those who vote

- 1 for Independence.
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: In the last translation of
- 3 his answer before this last answer, I didn't get
- 4 the last part. They indicated they would kill all
- 5 East Timorese?
- 6 THE INTERPRETER: Exactly. If the
- 7 Independence win, then they will kill all the
- 8 Timorese, especially those who vote in favor.
- 9 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 10 Q Did you observe your father's reaction to
- 11 this conversation?
- 12 A Yes. I could see from his face and his
- 13 attitude or behavior when he talked to me.
- 14 Q And how did he appear?
- 15 A He looks sad, frightened, and seems to me
- 16 that he was really worried about the possibility
- 17 being killed by the Indonesian Military.
- 18 O How did it affect you?
- 19 A I was so sad and I'm afraid because I was
- 20 worried about myself and my family.
- 21 O Where were you when the results of the
- 22 Popular Consultation were announced?
- 23 A I was in Dili. I was in my office.
- Q What did you observe?
- 25 A The first thing I observed was the

- 1 announcement of the final result by the Secretary
- 2 General of the United Nation Mr. Kofian (phonetic)
- 3 by international channel TV in my office.
- 4 Q After this did you see any soldiers?
- 5 A Many. So many of them.
- 6 Q How many approximately?
- 7 A I could not exactly count how many of
- 8 them, because there were so many. They were in
- 9 military trucks, and they were in uniform--with
- 10 their uniforms running around in the city.
- 11 Q When you said you couldn't estimate
- 12 because there were so many, were there hundreds, or
- 13 thousands?
- 14 A It's more than thousands.
- 15 O More than a thousand?
- 16 THE INTERPRETER: Yeah, more than
- 17 thousand.
- 18 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 19 Q Okay. Now, did you observe any violence
- 20 on that day?
- 21 A Yes, I did.
- 22 Q What did you observe?
- 23 A In the morning of September 5, I observed
- 24 that they start go to the Dili Diocese. It's the
- 25 headquarter of the Catholic Churches, and they

- 1 assault the civilians who live near the Dioceses
- 2 and they burned the Diocese and a civilian who was
- 3 in the Diocese.
- 4 O Were there any other fires? Were there
- 5 any other fires? Let me rephrase the question.
- 6 I'll withdraw the question.
- Were any other structures set on fire?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Approximately how many to the best of your
- 10 recollection?
- 11 A I don't know exactly how many houses. The
- 12 building was at that day, but it was a lot. I know
- 13 because in the morning of September 5, I asked a
- 14 ride of one of my co-worker, and we were traveling
- 15 by motorcycle in the city. Yeah, that was observed
- in the morning of September 5.
- 17 Q Okay. On September 5, 1999, were you
- 18 arrested by Indonesian police?
- 19 A Yes. They assault my office in the
- 20 evening of September 5th, and they arrest me.
- 21 Q And where were you taken?
- 22 A I was taken to the police station in,
- 23 Comoro, C-O-M-O-R-O.
- Q And is that an area just--is that an area
- 25 of Dili?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And after you were taken to Comoro where
- 3 were you taken after that?
- 4 A I was there for one night. And the next
- 5 morning my college co-worker from Indonesia, who
- 6 released me from the police station. This is in a
- 7 flight from Indonesia to East Timor all together
- 8 with the police officer. When I met they, took me
- 9 to the airport. And then I went to Denpasa
- 10 (phonetic), Indonesia.
- 11 Q And did you remain in Denpasa until
- 12 approximately October 16, 1999?
- 13 A Yes. I arrive in Denpasa at September 6
- and then I went to Jakarta September 7.
- 15 Q And you returned to Dili on October 16,
- 16 1999; is that correct?
- 17 A Yes, that's true.
- 18 O Now, on October 16, 1999, did you have a
- 19 conversation your brother and your sister?
- 20 A Yes. When I arrived there, both of my
- 21 brothers were in my home and then we talked to each
- 22 other.
- Q And where was your home located, please?
- 24 A In Villa Verde.
- 25 Q V-I-L-L-A--

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1 THE INTERPRETER: V-E-R-D-E.
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- 2 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 3 Q Right. And that's also part of Dili; is
- 4 that correct?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q This is your home?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And you had a conversation with your
- 9 brother and your sister?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q What did they say to you?
- 12 A They told me that in September 4th, the
- 13 Indonesian Military start to assault the civilian,
- 14 and my parents and brothers fled to mountain. And
- 15 they told me that one of my brothers has
- 16 disappeared. And my father was shot by Indonesian
- 17 Military, and they burned our house.
- 18 Q When you say "our house," you're referring
- 19 to your father's home?
- 20 A Yes, my parents' house.
- 21 Q Did they tell you what happened to your
- 22 older brother John Doe 5?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q Please, tell the Court what they said to
- 25 you.

- 1 A They told me that when they--the Indonesia
- 2 Military came in and burned down our houses
- 3 everybody, all who were at home, was splashed to
- 4 different directions. And then in September 6,
- 5 they met again in the other place of our house.
- 6 And it was the last time that they met each and
- 7 then everybody go to his own hiding place.
- 8 Q When did you learn of your brother's
- 9 death?
- 10 A So the first time I heard about the death
- 11 of my brother was from the Timorese was evacuated
- 12 to the West Timor. We didn't believe the
- 13 information.
- 14 O When was this?
- 15 A It was in the December when the refugees
- 16 started coming back to East Timor.
- 17 O December?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q What did they tell you happened to your
- 20 brother?
- 21 A They told us--or they told me that my
- 22 brother was arrested by the Indonesian Military and
- 23 was killed and then they burned him.
- Q Did they tell you that he was tortured?
- 25 A Yes. They told me that when the

- 1 Indonesian Military saw my brother they call him
- 2 for surrounding, and he didn't obey them. He
- 3 starts running and then they persecute him and,
- 4 they caught him and they tortured him.
- 5 Q What did they do to him? Please, let me
- 6 ask this question. Did they tell you specifically
- 7 what they done to him before he died?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q What did they say?
- 10 A They told me that he was--and when the
- 11 Indonesian Military they got close to him and the
- 12 first thing they did was shot in his legs three
- 13 times.
- 14 Q And then what did they do?
- 15 A When he got the shot, he fall down. And
- 16 then they came close to him and they start to stab
- 17 him. And some of them start stabbing him and some
- 18 of them start throwing away his pieces away at that
- 19 time. And after--he didn't die by the stabbing.
- 20 And then one of the Indonesian Military got him and
- 21 cut his neck.
- 22 Q When you say "cut his neck," what do you
- 23 mean?
- 24 A They cut his neck, not with a knife, but
- 25 it's kind of a sharp to kill him. And after that

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- 2 Q Please, answer the question.
- 3 THE INTERPRETER: Yeah. After they got
- 4 his hands and legs in pieces and then they put it
- 5 together and then they burned him.
- 6 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 7 Q Then they burned his body?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 MR. DICAPRIO: May I approach the witness,
- 10 Your Honor.
- 11 THE COURT: Yes.
- 12 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 13 Q I'm going to show you Exhibit No. 23.
- 14 Would you identify that, please.
- 15 (Witness reviews document.)
- 16 Q Can you identify Exhibit 23, please?
- 17 A Yes. It's my brother who is in the
- 18 middle.
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 O And he's dressed in a gown; is he not?
- 22 A Yes. It's graduate uniform.
- 23 Q Is that the cap and gown as a result of
- 24 his college education?
- THE INTERPRETER: Could you, please,

- 1 repeat the question.
- 2 MR. DICAPRIO: Yes.
- 3 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 4 Q Was that picture taken on the day of his
- 5 graduation?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q Now, did you have the opportunity to learn
- 8 of the--where the remains of your brother were?
- 9 THE INTERPRETER: Excuse me?
- 10 MR. DICAPRIO: I'll rephrase the question.
- 11 I'll withdraw the question.
- 12 May I approach the witness, Your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Yes.
- 14 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 15 Q Showing you Exhibit No. 19. Can you
- 16 identify that document, please?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And would you identify it for the Court?
- 19 A Yes. This letter was sent by a militia
- 20 member who was present in the death of my brother.
- 21 Q And does your father read or write?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q Was this letter sent to your father?
- 24 A Yes.
- Q And did you read this letter to your

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- 2 A He would have received the letter, but he
- 3 could not read, so he asked me to read it for him.
- 4 Q And did you read it for your father?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q When did this take place?
- 7 A It was in March 1, 2000.
- 9 A He received the letter on February 27th.
- 10 Q On March 1st, did you do anything with the
- 11 letter?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Did you give the letter to the civilian
- 14 police?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Okay. Now, is that--
- 17 MR. DICAPRIO: Is the answer to my
- 18 question yes?
- 19 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 20 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 21 Q Did you read the letter to your father
- 22 first?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q Directing your attention to Exhibit No.
- 25 19, I'm going to ask you to read--

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1 May I approach the witness, Your Honor?
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- THE COURT: Yes.
- 3 BY MR. DICAPRIO:
- 4 Q First, let me ask you who is this letter
- 5 written from. What is the person's name?
- 6 A His true name is or his brother's name is
- 7 Veti Sumo Dicosta (phonetic.) And his East Timor
- 8 name is Vasco Beti (phonetic.)
- 9 Q And is the letter signed by Vasco Beti?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And this is a copy of the letter; is it
- 12 not?
- 13 A (In English) Yeah.
- 14 Q And it contains a copy of the envelope?
- 15 A (In English) Yeah.
- 16 Q And is this copy--the letter itself, is
- 17 this a true, fair, and accurate copy of the letter
- 18 that you--
- 19 A (In English) Yes.
- 20 Q --wrote your father? And I would like you
- 21 to read from the second page starting in the first,
- 22 full paragraph about one-third of the page down.
- 23 Would you read that, please.
- 24 (Witness reads document.)
- 25 Q Please interpret.

1 A Onku Guru (phonetic) Was killed in evening

- 2 when they burned the house. Before they burned the
- 3 house they was planning to assault the house. When
- 4 they arrived, they assault the house and people who
- 5 were at home fled away. And when they got into the
- 6 house, Guru and his brothers fled--left the house.
- 7 And at the same time when they escaped the militia
- 8 and Indonesian Military persecute them. And they
- 9 met in the middle way in a hiding place.
- 11 reference made to your brother's name to refer to
- 12 that as John Doe 5.
- 13 THE INTERPRETER: Okay.
- 14 Q The persons that you've referred to is
- 15 your brother; is that correct?
- 16 A Yes, he's John Doe 5.
- 17 Q Would you continue to read, please.
- 18 (Witness reads document.)
- 19 A He was persecuted--John Doe 5 was
- 20 persecuted to a village name Kadalida (phonetic).
- 21 And then he was arrested in 6:00 in the morning. He
- 22 was interrogated where his family.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Excuse me? He was
- 24 interrogated?
- 25 THE INTERPRETER: He was interrogated

- 1 where--where his family.
- MR. DICAPRIO: He was asked where his
- 3 family was?
- 4 THE INTERPRETER: Yes.
- 5 THE WITNESS: But it seems like that he
- 6 left you. That's why he didn't tell where you
- 7 were. And he sacrificed himself for safe of
- 8 your--so this is the life of politics. And that's
- 9 all. Hope to see you soon. Best regard for
- 10 everyone at home.
- 11 Q Now, does the letter on the first page
- 12 also describe where your brother's remains could be
- 13 found?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And did you go to the place described in
- 16 the letter?
- 17 A Yes. But I didn't go along. I went there
- 18 with the police and many civilians.
- 19 Q Did your father accompany you?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And where did you go?
- 22 A We went to the place where this guy put
- 23 the letter.
- Q Would you describe what you found when you
- 25 got there?

- 1 A First it has--just like what was written
- 2 in the letter. We follow it and we went to village
- 3 mentioning the letter. And we went to the exact
- 4 place where it referred here in the letter in the
- 5 place where he was killed. The name is Edhowl
- 6 (phonetic.)
- 7 Q That's the name of the town?
- 8 A Yes. It was in a jungle.
- 9 Q It was in the jungle?
- 10 A (In English) Yeah.
- 11 Q Was your father right next to you?
- 12 A My father and all my brothers. I hold the
- 13 letter and served as a quide.
- 14 Q You held the letter and served as a guide?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Would you describe for the Court what you
- 17 found when you arrived at that location.
- 18 A It was in a small river. And observed a
- 19 place that was completely burned. And then we
- 20 clean it and we start digging.
- 21 O You started to dig?
- 22 A (In English) Yeah.
- 23 Q What did you find?
- A As soon as we dig, one of my brother saw
- 25 the wallet of my brother.

- 1 Q Could you describe this wallet, please.
- 2 A It's a brown wallet--brown-colored wallet.
- 3 And inside the wallet there was his student's card
- 4 and his picture and some money. It's around 20,00
- 5 Rupiah.
- 6 Q And was this your brother's wallet?
- 7 A Yes, we recognize it by his picture.
- 8 Q Did you find anything else?
- 9 A And then we start digging the hole and we
- 10 find pieces of body.
- 11 Q Pieces of his body?
- 12 A Yeah. Yes, marked bone of fingers and--
- 13 Because the police--when the police was present,
- 14 they resisted the doctor and we--the family got in
- 15 all the bones together, and we took it home.
- 16 O You said that there were a number of
- 17 people also present. About how many other people
- 18 were there?
- 19 A It was around 200 people.
- Q Were these people from your village?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q Why were there so many people there?
- 23 A Because my brother was well-known in the
- 24 village. And his dad was known by everyone, and
- 25 everybody liked him because he was the only one who

- 1 graduated--graduate person from that village.
- 2 And everyone in the village knew that he
- 3 was the person who held--keyed in the information
- 4 about the referendum which helped people for the
- 5 voting. And he is very peaceful, calm, and a
- 6 mature person. That's why his death was a loss for
- 7 the village.
- 8 Q Do you know what was done with his remains
- 9 after--
- 10 THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry?
- 11 Q Do you know what was done with the remains
- 12 that were found?
- 13 A We took home and after seven days we
- 14 buried.
- 15 O Did you observe the affect that this had
- 16 on your father on the day that you found your
- 17 brother's remains?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Would you describe that, please.
- 20 A He cried. And after that he started
- 21 losing weight and get sick easily.
- 22 Q Did this have any affect on you?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q Would you describe the affect that it had
- 25 upon you?

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1 A It makes me sad every time I remember him
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- 2 and--on one hand. On the other hand, it makes me a
- 3 little angry.
- 4 Q Did you--
- 5 A In the night, if I remember him, it bring
- 6 me back to the past memory, and I cannot hold
- 7 crying. I cry.
- 8 Q You cry? How often do you think of your
- 9 brother?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 O How often?
- 12 (Witness crying.)
- Q Do you want to--
- MR. DICAPRIO: Your Honor, may we take a
- 15 recess for the evening?
- 16 THE COURT: Very well.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Your Honor, may I ask the
- 18 witness to step down.
- 19 THE COURT: Surely.
- 20 [Witness stepped down.]
- 21 THE COURT: We'll recess at this time.
- 22 Mr. DiCaprio, we'll reconvene tomorrow at
- 23 9:30.
- MR. DICAPRIO: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 25 (Proceedings adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to

reconvene at 9:30 a.m, Wednesday, March 28, 2001.)