Economic Justice and Human Rights for East Timor:

The debt that must be paid

with José Luis de Oliveira

Thursday, Feb 13, 7:30 p.m.

Garden Room, Judson Memorial Church
243 Thompson St., Manhattan
(near Washington Sq Pk)
$10 donation requested, no one turned away

Newly-independent East Timor is the poorest country in Asia. The legacy of hundreds of years of colonialism, followed by a brutal, 24-year-long military occupation is deeply felt by the people, their land and their economy. The families of the more than 200,000 people killed during the U.S.-supported occupation have yet to see justice. International financial institutions are pushing East Timor to privatize basic services and take out loans.

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