



Coalition Of Supporters Of Bernard Collaery and Witness K

Drop the Prosecutions of Bernard Collaery and Witness K!

on the 79th Anniversary of the bombings of Dili and Darwin

Please join us ~ Rally, 1pm, Friday 19th February
at Defence Minister Linda Reynolds' Office,
117 Great Eastern Hwy, Rivervale

Two honest men, Bernard Collaery and Witness K are facing unjust prosecutions and prison sentences. Why?

Essentially because the Australian Government spied on the East Timorese Government offices during oil and gas negotiations in 2004, under the guise of implementing an Australian aid program. Now these two men are being prosecuted.

It was espionage aimed at gaining commercial benefit on behalf of resource companies to the disadvantage of the people of East Timor—our close neighbour, loyal ally in World War II, and the poorest country in South East Asia. It has damaged Australia's reputation for honest and fair dealings with our neighbours.

The same day that Darwin was bombed, 19 February 1942, Dili was also bombed. East Timor had been drawn into the war after Australia had ignored Portuguese East Timor's neutrality and sent troops into the territory. Japan then invaded East Timor, killing many thousands of East Timorese, who had sided with the Australian soldiers to fight the Japanese. These are the people we spied on.

We ask Defence **Minister Linda Reynolds** to intercede with **Attorney-General Christian Porter** and ask that these unjust prosecutions be dropped. We also ask all West Australians to write to the Attorney-General asking him to drop the prosecutions immediately, which he has the power to do.

Authorised by the Coalition of Supporters of Bernard Collaery and Witness K (COSOCK)

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Is the Morrison, Porter, Frydenberg government involved in corruption coverups by not prosecuting the Howard government members who authorized the illegal Timorese bugging?

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