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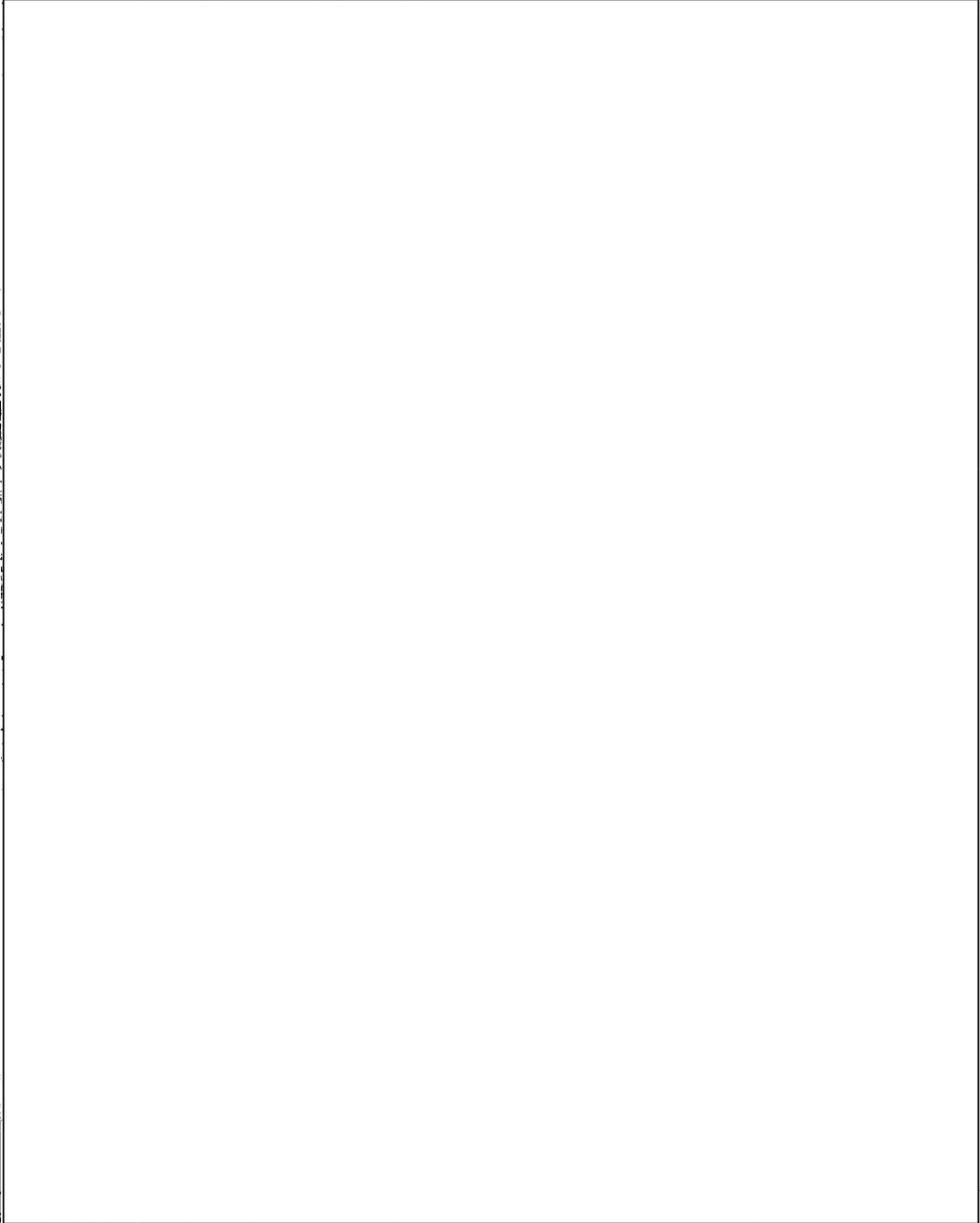
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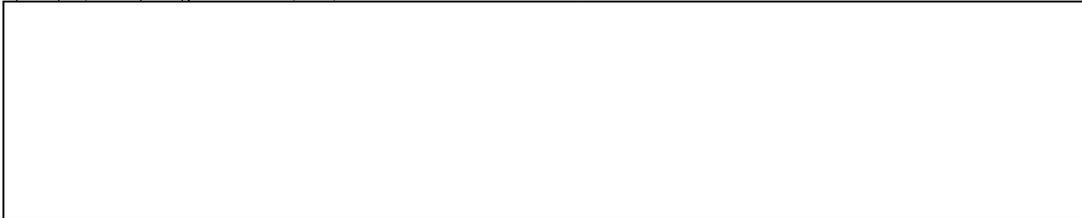


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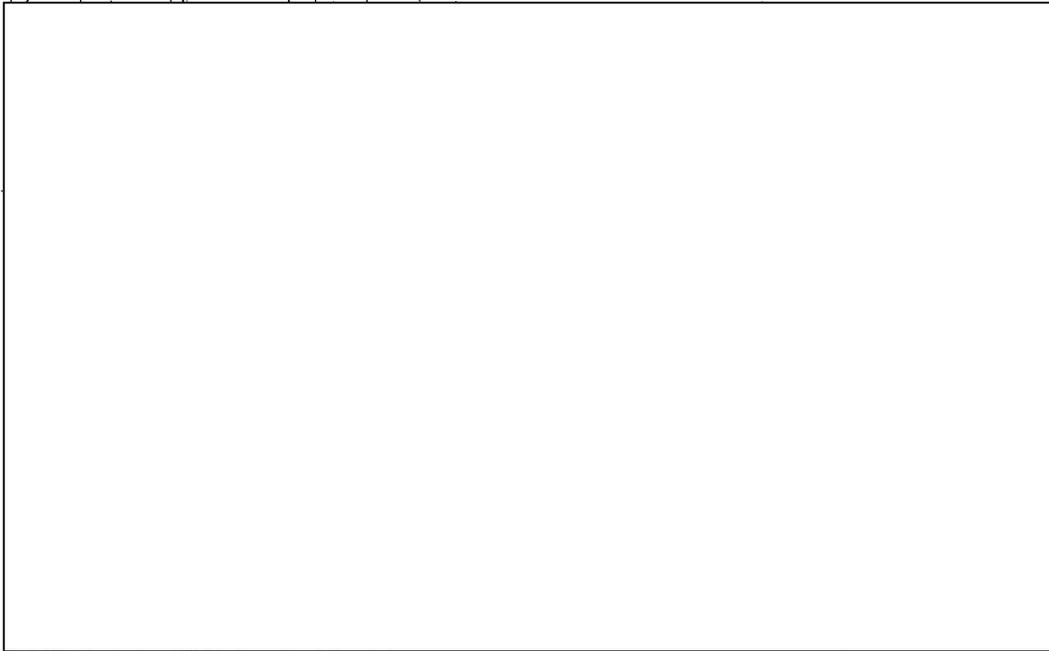
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TIMOR

The Indonesian military operation into Portuguese Timor has been temporarily blunted by surprisingly strong Fretilin resistance, by the poor condition of Indonesian war materiel, and by the effects of the wet season on transportation.

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The drive into Timor by an Indonesian reinforced infantry battalion resulted initially in some territorial gains in the northern part of the island, but it has stalled because of Jakarta's failure to secure the border town of Lebos.

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[redacted] The navy can be expected to increase its fire support in an attempt to repel increasingly strong Fretilin counterattacks against Indonesian troops on the northern shore.

Meanwhile, the loose naval blockade around the island should soon begin to have an effect on the Timorese, who are heavily dependent on the importation of food, fuel, and military supplies.

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