

Women Lawyers Association of NSW and Women's Legal Services NSW
present

Laura Soares Abrantes and Isabel Beba Sequeira
"Secrecy: The Key to Independence"
- the story of East Timorese Women's experiences



Date: Wednesday 9 May 2012
Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Where: Law Society of NSW
170 Phillip Street, Sydney



Laura Soares Abrantes and Beba Sequeira are co-editors of the book "Secrecy: the Key to Independence" a compilation of Timorese women's oral histories. In many cases it is the first time their stories have been told of their experiences during the Indonesian occupation of East Timor and their brave fight for independence.

Laura and Beba will be talking about these stories and how women in East Timor are now playing a major role in the development of their country including the new legal system.

Both Laura and Beba were active in the resistance and clandestine movement during the occupation at great risk to their personal safety. Beba is Director of APSC - TL, an organisation that supports and promotes women's projects in East Timor. Laura is now gender consultant with APSC - TL. Both have contributed to many publications about women in East Timor.

Free admittance - bookings essential as places are limited. Light refreshments provided.
RSVP: Helen Campbell on 8745 6947 or helen.campbell@wlsnsw.org.au to confirm your attendance.

We thank the Law Society of NSW for their support in hosting this event.