
Violation of Free, Prior and Informed Consent by UN-REDD and REDD

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Of the sixteen countries with UN-REDD National Programmes, at least ten countries have violated the right to free, prior and informed consent and the right to participation of civil society and Indigenous Peoples in processes related to REDD.

Country

(Yellow indicates countries with UN-REDD national programme)

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Free, prior, informed consent

Other abuses related to REDD

Sources

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Brazil

(California REDD)

NO

â€œneocolonialist proposalâ€•

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/04/29/letter-from-brazil-opposing-redd-in-californias-global-warming-solutions-act-ab32/#more-13816>

Open Letter rejecting California REDD <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/04/29/letter-from-brazil-opposing-redd-in->

californias-global-warming-solutions-act-ab32/#more-13816

Declaration of Solidarity <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/05/01/declaration-of-solidarity-with-the-letter-from-acre-brazil-opposing-redd-offset-credits-in-californias-cap-and-trade-scheme/#more-13828>

Bolivia

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Ecuador

NO

Oil Drilling and Mining allowed in Socio Bosque <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPvmqTVX04o>

CONIAE “ Letter to UN and Ban Ki-Moon demanding cancelation of all REDD projects in Ecuador., REDD Papers, Volume 1, http://climatevoices.files.wordpress.com/2011/11/noredpapers_download.pdf

Indigenous Peoples in Ecuador reject REDD

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2009/08/11/indigenous-peoples-in-ecuador-reject-redd/>

El Salvador

(World Bank REDD)

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REDD Monitor <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2012/06/05/indigenous-peoples-in-el-salvador-reject-the-world-banks-fcpf/>

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2012/05/17/social-organisations-in-el-salvador-critique-the-world-banks-fcpf/#more-12497>

Guyana

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NO

â€œfailure to uphold land rightsâ€•

â€œlack of transparencyâ€•

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In Guyana, for example, the verification body for the Guyana-Norway MoU on REDD+ found in November 2012 that after three years Guyana has failed to take suitable actions to uphold indigenous peoples land rights, while ineffective public consultations and a lack of transparency continue to plague the development of sustainable REDD+ policies in the country.[9] <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/05/01/concerns-grow-over-weak-safeguard-implementation-forest-peoples-programme-on-redd-and-safeguards/#more-13827>

Honduras

(World Bank REDD)

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CONPINH a Banco Mundial <http://bit.ly/ZTDomN>

Mexico

(California REDD)

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Open Letter rejecting California REDD - Carta Abierta rechazando REDD de california <http://reddeldia.blogspot.mx/2013/04/carta-abierta-de-chiapas-sobre-el.html>

Panama

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COONAPIP se retira de ONU-REDD

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/03/06/coonapip-panamas-indigenous-peoples-coordinating-body-withdraws-from-un-redd/>

Central American Indigneous Council raises concerns of Racial Intolerance and Discrimination <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/03/20/central-american-indigenous-council-raises-concerns-of-racial-intolerance-and-discrimination-in-un-redd/>

Paraguay

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World Bank approves R-PIN for Paraguay despite lack of consultation with Indigenous Organisations <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2008/11/14/world-bank-approves-r-pin-for-paraguay-despite-lack-of-consultation-with-indigenous-organisations/>

Peru

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NO

-Promises to demarcate territory not fulfilled

-AIDSEEP considering presenting a complaint

In Peru, the Amazonian indigenous organisation AIDSEEP has growing concerns over the treatment of rights and land issues in the the process to develop a national Forest Investment Strategy financed by the Forest Investment Programme (FIP). In short, AIDSEEP has been dismayed that previous pledges to address land tenure with adequate national budgets for demarcation and titling were broken when the government unilaterally redrafted the investment plan without consultation at the start of 2013. AIDSEEP is now considering use of various complaints mechanisms if its safeguard concerns are not addressed.[8]

Suriname

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In countries like Suriname, despite repeated redrafting of national readiness proposals, government plans for REDD+

continue to omit any meaningful measures to uphold the land and territorial rights of forest peoples.[5]

ASIA

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Cambodia

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Indonesia

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Friends of the Earth International, In the REDD, Australiaâ€™s Carbon Offset Projects in Central Kalimantan,
<http://www.foei.org/en/resources/publications/pdfs/2011/in-the-redd-australias-carbon-offset-project-in-central-kalimantan>

Papua New Guinea

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REDD Projects in Papua New Guinea legally untenable

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2010/09/14/redd-projects-in-papua-new-guinea-legally-untenable/>

The Philippines

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Sri Lanka

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Vietnam

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ONU-REDD Æœadmits that FPIC processes in Vietnam have been flawed (failing to explain risks and costs of REDD+ to communities). In the programmeÆ™s pilot REDD+ project in Central Sulawesi in Indonesia, locals complain that no meaningful FPIC process has yet taken place.Æ• <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/05/01/concerns-grow-over-weak-safeguard-implementation-forest-peoples-programme-on-redd-and-safeguards/#more-13827>

AFRICA

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Nigeria

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Criminalization of activist Odey Oyama of Cross River, UN-REDD and World Bank REDD area

No REDD in Africa Network <http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/05/04/no-redd-in-africa-network-opposes-inclusion-of-redd-offsets-in-californias-cap-and-trade-scheme/#more-13860>

Republic of Congo

NO

â€œlack of transparency and inadequate participationâ€•

“The participants also denounced the lack of transparency and inadequate participation of forest-dependent communities in the multiple new initiatives designed to support REDD in the Congo Basin, including the World Bank’s Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) and the United Nations’ REDD programme.”

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2008/11/30/forest-communities-of-the-congo-basin-speak-out-on-redd-moving-the-debate-beyond-financing/#more-688>

Democratic Republic of Congo

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Civil society withdrew from World Bank REDD

GTCR Civil society groups in DRC suspend engagement with National REDD Coordination Process

23 July, 2012

In late June civil society organizations tracking REDD+ policies in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) sent open letters to the World Bank’s Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) and to the DRC’s Environment Minister expressing grave concerns about the lack of effective public and community participation in national REDD+ policy-making (see links below this article). The “REDD Climate Working Group” (GTCR), which authored the letters and is composed of a broad range of national and local environment and development NGOs in DRC, is insisting on the reorganisation of REDD governance structures in DRC to ensure decentralisation and ensure meaningful participation by civil society and forest peoples in forest and climate policy making at all levels.

Tanzania

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More Corruption involving Norwegian REDD Funding in Tanzania

<http://www.redd-monitor.org/2013/02/06/more-corruption-involving-norwegian-redd-funding-in-tanzania/>

Zambia

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Solomon Islands

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