

Sarawak, Malaysia, December 17th 2016

To: M. Antonio Tajani, President of the European Parliament

Mister President of the European Parliament,

I'm writing on behalf of the Indigenous People of Sarawak, Malaysia and one of the grass root activist who handle the problems associated with Native Customary Right Land.

We are responsible:

- Counselling the community members about their legal rights
- Organize public protest against landgrabbing
- Collection of data in land rights cases (also GPS maps, pictures, reports)
- Proceed against companies, to get back their land
- Statements as witnesses by court
- Hide and secure witnesses before they testify at the court

For this, with a loud voice, we would like to reiterate our position to eliminate Biofuel Policy of the European Union (EU). The negative effects of oil palm plantations that involve millions hectares of land which causes severe damage to the environment, a climate, animals and humans.

This problem is worrying us. If this policy continues, the rampant deforestation will happen and an adverse effect will happen and would affect the temperature of a climate that could not be controlled. It is dangerous to human health. So far, more than 70% (percent) of forest in our country (Sarawak, Malaysia) have been cut down and destroyed for oil palm cultivation.

In October (24.10.2016), the ongoing dispute between the company and owners of Native Customary Rights, and blood spills happen. Everything stems from the cultivation of oil palm and aggression Native Customary Rights Land.

As an activist who handle issues related to Native Customary Rights Land is very sad to see the forest and inherited from ancestors destroyed by oil palm companies.

With this letter I am ready to raise the voices of the State of Sarawak, Malaysia on the issue of Native Customary Rights lands and forests from being destroyed by oil palm companies.

Along with this letter, accompanied by proof of the invasion has happened and everything is due to the oil palm cultivation.

Thank you for your attention,

MATEK ANAK GERAM

LAND ACTIVIST

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Indigenous people set up the blockade peacefully to stop oil palm plantations encroaching Native Customary Rights lands and their forests.



An animal that is found dead of starvation due to the destruction of forests. When we inspections on Forest destroyed by oil palm cultivation.



Society lodged a police report on the invasion of oil palm cultivation and shows that police report have been made.



Victim of the cultivation of oil palm companies that encroaching the Native Customary Rights land.
The Headman beatings by thugs hired company plants the oil palm.

This photo during blood spills happen on October (24.10,2016).



After the bloodshed occurred in October (24.10,2016) three persons from the longhouse communities was claimed committed the crime because of defending their Native Customary Land Rights.