

XINGU + MANIFEST

We, indigenous people of 15 Indigenous Lands from the ethnic groups Mebengokre, Kalapalo, Ikpeng, Yudja, Panãra, Khisêtjê, Tapayuna, Parakanã, Arawete, Xikrin of Bacajá, Kuruaya, Arara of Cachoeira Seca and Yudja of Volta Grande Reservoir, together with Riverine people from Extractivists Reserves of Riozinho do Anfrísio, Iriri and Xingu, and the Ribeirinho Council, all residents of the Xingu Corridor of Socio-Environmental Diversity, met at the 4th Xingu + Network Meeting, from August 21-23, 2019 at Kubenkokre Village, Indigenous Land Menkragnoti, southern Pará, to discuss the threats to our territories and the alternatives we are building for our future.

We are extremely concerned about what is currently happening in Brazil. The Government says that we, forest people, want to live like all Brazilians and that we no longer need our land. But that is a lie! The Government wants to open our territories for the economic exploitation from farmers, prospectors, miners, loggers, and for hydroelectric dams, highways and railroads. We want to live healthily with our living culture, hunting, fishing, growing our food and protecting the forest we inherited from our ancestors.

We require that all bills or constitutional reforms that seek to permit mining (PL 1.016 / 96) or lease of lands (PEC 187/343) be canceled. We demand that environmental enforcement actions be resumed and strengthened in order to halt the advance of deforestation, forest fires and the invasion of our territories, as is happening right now with the support and encouragement of the current government. We demand immediate removal of unwanted people from our invaded territories. We demand that they stop pouring tons of pesticides into our rivers and forests, poisoning our food and our families. We demand that the government stop insulting our leadership and respect their political legitimacy.

We want the National Policy for Environmental and Territorial Management of Indigenous Lands (PNGATI) to be implemented, respecting our Management Plans. We also want the implementation of Conservation Units and respect for their traditional communities.

We want real quality public health and truly differentiated school education policies within our territories. We want public policies that encourage and strengthen our forest products. We are producing honey, oils, flours, nuts, peppers, rubber, seeds, crafts, water and fresh air.

We are responsible for protecting the Xingu forest, which benefits the entire region and the residents of large cities, contributing to the essential climate balance for the country and the world. We want recognition and respect for our ways of life and also to participate in decisions



about the future of Brazil. We demand to be heard, especially about what affects us, as guaranteed by ILO Convention 169, which is law in Brazil.

We will never stop being the people of Xingu, we will never leave our lands, we want to leave them for our children and grandchildren. All of Xingu is one.

Kubenkokre Village, Pará State, August 23rd, 2019

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