

Support the Petition to #CancelOceanaGold in the Philippines

We, the undersigned organizations, express our solidarity with and support for the affected communities and the petitioners against Canadian mining firm OceanaGold Philippines, Inc. Several petitioners, representing different sectors and affected groups, have filed a case to cancel the renewal of OceanaGold's mining agreement (Financial or Technical Assistance Agreement/FTAA) with the Philippine government. They contend that OceanaGold's large-scale mining operations in the province of Nueva Vizcaya have violated Philippine laws (case name: 'Mangalinao et al. v. Executive Secretary Bersamin et al.').

OceanaGold's mining operations in the town of Kasibu, Nueva Vizcaya have been implicated in environmental, socio-economic, and civil-political rights violations, which have been assailed by institutions such as the Philippine Commission on Human Rights and various Special Rapporteurs of the United Nations Human Rights Council.

In 2021, OceanaGold's FTAA was renewed by the Office of the President for another 25 years, amid the lack of prior and proper public consultation and consent, and in clear violation of the provincial environmental code, which bans open-pit mining. Environmentally critical projects such as mining are required to secure prior consultation and consent before the President can approve the FTAA renewal, which was not the case.

This gross violation of the constitutional rights to local autonomy, to public participation, and to a balanced and healthful ecology—ultimately, the people's right to say "no" to OceanaGold—is the subject of the petition filed by indigenous and community leaders, together with Bishop Elmer Mangalinao of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bayombong, on Earth Day on April 22, 2024.

Crucially, OceanaGold's operations continue to threaten Nueva Vizcaya's watershed—and its protectors—that provides water for 3.9 million Filipinos, irrigation for 90,000 hectares of agricultural land, and life for 480 different floral and faunal species.

We believe that international environmental and human rights laws, norms, and standards were disregarded by OceanaGold's FTAA renewal, including the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the UN Resolution Recognizing the Right to a Clean, Healthy, and Sustainable Environment, and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, among others.

We thus urge our respective domestic governments, as well as the relevant diplomatic missions and UN bodies based in our respective countries, to conduct parallel investigations and inquiries into the violations perpetrated by OceanaGold's FTAA renewal.

We invite shareholders and other relevant parties across OceanaGold's global value chain to undertake environmental and human rights due diligence, and hold OceanaGold accountable.

Lastly, we enjoin the international community to support the campaign to #CancelOceanaGold, by organizing sustained protests, lobbying against OceanaGold and its allies in government, amplifying the affected people's aspirations for justice, and raising financial and material support for the long legal battle ahead.

No Consultation, No Consent, No Renewal! Save our Watersheds and Defend our Water Defenders! Cancel OceanaGold's Mining FTAA Now!

Signatories



















































































































- Legal Rights and Natural Resources Center / Kasama sa Kalikasan / Friends of the Earth Philippines (LRC/KsK/FoE Phils) | Philippines
- 2. Alyansa Tigil Mina (ATM) | Philippines
- 3. LILAK Purple Action for Indigenous Women's Rights | Philippines
- 4. Caritas Philippines | Philippines
- 5. Episcopal Commission on Indigenous Peoples | Philippines
- 6. Friends of the Earth Asia Pacific | International
- 7. A Radical Guide | United States
- 8. Academia Cidada Citizenship Academy | Portugal
- 9. AGHAM Advocates of Science and Technology for the People
- 10. Alyansa ng Novo Vizcayano para sa Kalikasan (ANVIK)
- 11. Ang Aroroy Ay Alagaan, Inc. | Philippines
- 12. Apostolic Vicariate of Bontoc-Lagawe | Philippines
- 13. Aroroy Youth Environmental Guardian | Philippines
- 14. Asia Indigenous Peoples Network on Extractive Industries and Energy (AIPNEE) | Asia
- 15. Assisi Development Foundation | Philippines
- 16. Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association | Bangladesh
- 17. Bontoc-Lagawe Development and Social Action Center (Bon-Lag DSAC) | Philippines
- 18. Both ENDS | Netherlands
- 19. Canada-Philippines Solidarity for Human Rights | Canada
- 20. Caraga Watch | Philippines
- 21. Cebu Alliance against Reclamation for Life and Environment (CARE for Life and Environment) | Philippines
- 22. Center for Environmental Concerns | Philippines
- 23. Centre for Environmental Justice | Sri Lanka
- 24. Centre for Research and Advocacy, Manipur | India
- 25. Columban Missionaries | Philippines
- 26. Communities that Protect and Resist | United States
- 27. Community Empowerment and Social Justice Network (CEMSOJ) | Nepal
- 28. Cordillera Peoples Alliance | Philippines
- 29. Deep Green Resistance | International
- 30. Deepgreenarts | United States

- 31. Earthworks | USA
- 32. Focus on the Global South | Asia
- 33. Franciscan Missionaries of Mary | Philippines
- 34. Friends of the Earth APAC | Asia-Pacific
- 35. Friends of the Earth Australia | Australia
- 36. Friends of the Earth Japan | Japan
- 37. Friends with Environment in Development | Uganda
- 38. Green Advocates International | Liberia
- 39. Greenpeace Philippines | Philippines
- 40. Ifugao Tribe | Philippines
- 41. Ilocos Network for the Environment | Philippines
- 42. Institute for Policy Studies Trade and Mining Project | United States
- 43. International Accountability Project | Philippines
- 44. International Allies Against Mining in El Salvador | International
- 45. Inter-Cultural Organizations' Network for Solidarity and Peace, Inc. (ICON-SP) | Philippines
- 46. Jalaur River for the People's Movement | Philippines
- 47. Jamaa Resource Initiatives | Kenya
- 48. Kalanguya tribe | Philippines
- 49. Kalikasan People's Network for the Environment | Philippines
- 50. Katribu Kalipunan ng Katutubong Mamamayan ng Pilipinas | Philippines
- 51. Lawyers' Association for Human Rights of Nepalese Indigenous Peoples (LAHURNIP) | Nepal
- 52. Laudato Si' Movement Pilipinas | Philippines
- 53. Law Office of Cooper Brinson | United States
- 54. Les Amis de la Terre-Togo | Togo
- 55. London Mining Network | United Kingdom
- 56. Lumad Mindanaw Peoples Federation | Philippines
- 57. Lunhaw-Ecology Ministry of the Diocese of San Carlos, Neg. Occ. | Philippines
- 58. Marian Women Producers Cooperative | Philippines
- 59. Migrante Alberta | Canada
- 60. Migrante Melbourne | Australia
- 61. Mindanao Cross | Philippines
- 62. MiningWatch Canada | Canada
- 63. MONES | Mongolia
- 64. NGO Forum on ADB | Asia
- 65. NTFP Exchange Programme Asia | South and Southeast Asia
- 66. Oyu Tolgoi Watch | Mongolia
- 67. Palestinian Environmental NGOs Network / FoE Palestine | Palestine
- 68. Panaghiusa Philippine Network to Uphold Indigenous Peoples' Rights | Philippines
- 69. Pangasinan People's Strike for the Environment | Philippines
- 70. PANGATAMAN Bikol | Philippines
- 71. Philippine Caucus for Peace | Australia
- 72. Philippine Human Rights Information Center (PHILRIGHTS) | Philippines
- 73. Philippine ICCA consortium | Philippines
- 74. philippinenbüro e.V. | Germany
- 75. Philippines Australia Solidarity Association (PASA) | Australia
- 76. Protect Sierra Madre for the People | Philippines
- 77. Rettet den Regenwald | Germany
- 78. Rivers without Boundaries Coalition | Mongolia
- 79. Roman Catholic Diocese of Marbel | Philippines
- 80. Sahabat Alam Malaysia Friends of the Earth Malaysia | Malaysia
- 81. Saluadan | Philippines
- 82. Salva la Selva | Spain
- 83. Sarawak Dayak Iban Association | Malaysia
- 84. Save Cagayan Movement | Philippines
- 85. Sibuyanons Against Mining (SAM) | Philippines
- 86. Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Justice Team | USA
- 87. Spirit of Eureka, South Australia | Australia
- 88. Spring Socialist Network | Canada

- 89. Sumkad ti Umili para ti Matagoan, Karbengan, Aglawlaw, Daga ken Dayaw (SUMKADD) | Philippines
- 90. WALHI / Friends of the Earth (FoE) Indonesia | Indonesia
- 91. Yes to Life, No to Mining | International
- 92. Young Franciscan Advocates | Philippines