New Film by Lazar Konforti

No More Evictions! The Struggle for Indigenous Land in Post-War Guatemala

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“No More Evictions” addresses the historic and on-going struggle of indigenous Mayan Q’eqchi’ communities against the threats of:

1. global agribusiness (sugar cane and African palm production)
2. global nickel mining industry (owned, until late 2011, by the Canadian companies INCO, Skye Resources and Hudbay Minerals)

In rural Guatemala, a highly unequal land ownership structure inherited from centuries of racist colonialism and decades of dictatorship is perpetuated now by a wave of corporate land grabs. “No More Evictions!” takes us to the Polochic valley in eastern Guatemala where Q’eqchi’ communities face the double threat of agribusiness and mining. Though the Guatemalan civil war (1960-1996) is formally over, local and foreign corporations - including Canada’s Hudbay Minerals - unleash violence upon indigenous campesinos with impunity.

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Since 2004, Rights Action has been funding and supporting the work and struggle of the Q’eqchi’ people featured in this film, as they seek justice and remedy for the mining related harms and violations. In 2011-12, Rights Action sent emergency funds to members of the 14 communities featured in this film who were violently and illegally evicted from their lands to make way for sugar cane and African palm production.

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