

2002 Annual Report Amazon Watch

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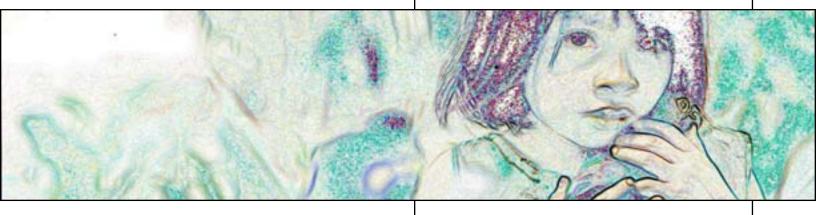
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Cover Photo: The Panacocha Lagoon, pink dolphin habitat in the Ecuadorian Amazon - 2002

Message From the Executive Director

At the core of Amazon Watch's mission, are these basic realizations: The fate of the Earth's wild places and indigenous peoples depends on the actions that we take or don't take in our lifetime. The Amazon, with 40 percent of the Earth's remaining rainforests, serves a vital role in our planet's life support system. And, the forest's indigenous inhabitants—the Amazon's true guardians, are engaged in critical initiatives to defend their lives, lands and cultures.

Despite daunting battles, these courageous and caring people empower and inspire us each time we join together to fight for a river, a rainforest, or a community. More than ever, the indigenous peoples of the Amazon have come to trust and count on Amazon Watch's support.

In 2002, Amazon Watch's seventh year, we worked hard to bring the voices of distant indigenous communities to the doorstep of international decision-makers.

We partnered with indigenous and environmental organizations in Ecuador, Peru, Colombia, Brazil, and Bolivia to protect intact forest frontiers and indigenous peoples' territories. We drew mainstream media attention to previously unreported issues such as the OCP pipeline in Ecuador and the Camisea project in the Peru.

With your support, we celebrated several important milestones. Occidental Petroleum abandoned plans to drill for oil on the U'wa people's sacred lands in Colombia; while OPIC, a U.S. government agency, cancelled a \$200 million loan to Enron for the Bolivia-Cuiaba pipeline.

These victories send a clear message to investors involved in other oil and gas projects in pristine areas. We were delighted that the Ecuadorian government once again postponed auctions for new oil concessions that cover some 5 millions acres of intact rainforest and encompass the territories of our partners, the Shuar, Achuar and Zapara peoples.

At the request of local communities, Amazon Watch delivered support directly to the front lines in form of computer and camera equipment, media and communications training, and funding.

We organized investigative missions to the Amazon and accompanied delegations of affected peoples to the U.S.

We publicized how the Bush administration and the U.S. energy industry are teaming up to increase oil and gas prospecting and exploitation in the Amazon, now identified as strategic to U.S. energy needs. We documented how a new wave of oil concessions and their associated network of pipelines and roads pose a serious threat to the heart of the Amazon rainforest.

We delivered first hand information on emerging threats and enlisted the support of many international advocacy organizations on priority campaigns. Our initiatives also benefited from the participation of celebrities and inspiring activists such as Martin Sheen, Esai Morales, Julia Butterfly Hill, Cary Elwes, Joe Kane, and John Seed.

In 2002, Amazon Watch established an office in the San Francisco Bay Area and launched a new campaign to force ChevronTexaco to clean up the massive contamination it left behind in the Ecuadorian Amazon

The following pages provide a snapshot of Amazon Watch's major achievements in the past year.

The staff and board of Amazon Watch sincerely thank you, our supporters, for your encouragement and financial support. We invite you to continue your involvement in the coming year. There is so much to be done. To protect the Amazon's endangered ecosystems and indigenous peoples, we need your ongoing support and involvement.

Thank you for caring for the planet.

For the Earth and Future Generations,

Atossa Soltani Founder and Executive Director

George Old

Mission Statement

Amazon Watch works in partnership with forest peoples in the Amazon to defend their rights and protect the environment. We investigate and challenge industrial projects that threaten pristine Amazon rainforests, and work to strengthen and support forest peoples' organizations.

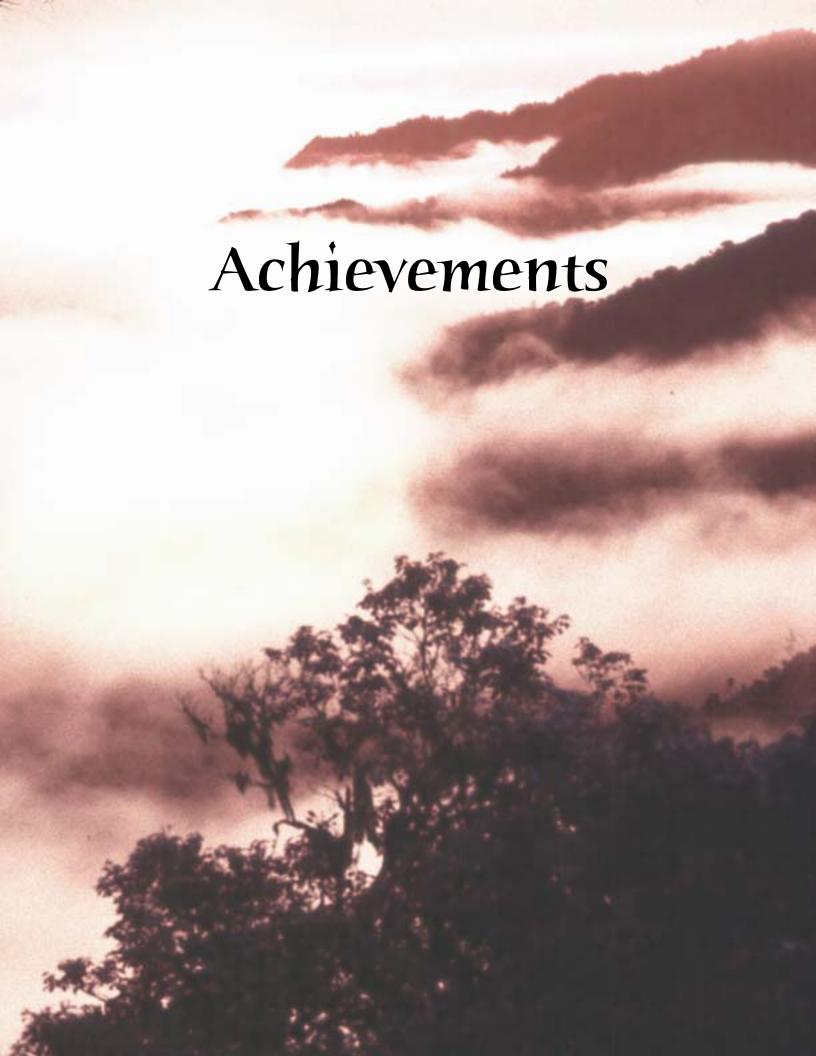
Programs

Amazon Watch has four key programs:

Monitoring Mega-Projects. Track, investigate, and publicize controversial mega-projects in early planning stages to catalyze local and international response.

Supporting Rainforest Peoples. Mobilize direct support to affected communities and generate media and public attention to pressure key decision-makers.





Monitoring Mega-Projects

sing our extensive Latin American networks, Amazon Watch monitors controversial Latin American resource extraction and infrastructure projects that are in the early planning stages. Our priority is to identify decision-makers and key decision points. Based on this research, Amazon Watch publishes timely project profiles, action alerts, news releases, and directs campaign resources to where they can have the most impact.

Major Achievements in 2002:

Tracking Energy Sector Trends: Amazon Watch identified and analyzed the following broad trends in the energy industry in the Amazon region:

- Increased oil exploration and production in Ecuador and Peru in territories of isolated and vulnerable indigenous populations and in national parks
- Increased oil exports from the Andean/Amazon for consumption in U.S. West Coast markets.
- Proposed pipelines in Rondonia and Amazonas states of the Brazilian Amazon
- Plans for gas shipments in form of Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) to U.S. markets from Bolivia and Peru

Pivotal Energy Companies: Amazon Watch closely followed the activities of U.S. companies: Halliburton, El Paso, Hunt Oil, Enron, Occidental Petroleum, Burlington Resources, and ChevronTexaco.

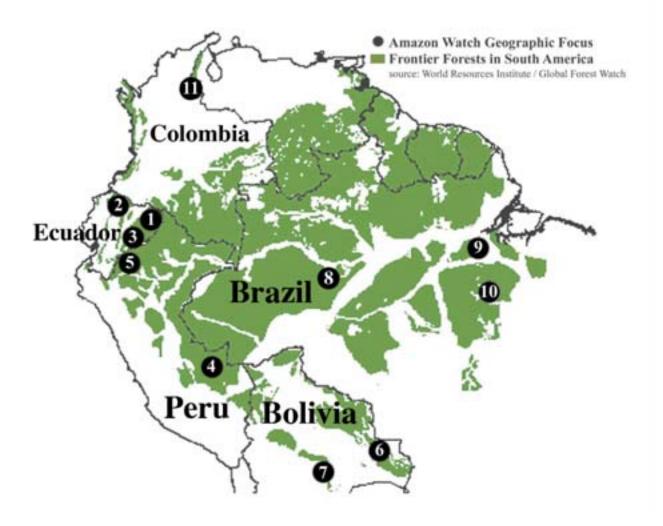
Threats on the Horizon: Amazon Watch researched and tracked proposed oil and gas investments including: Bolivia's Pacific Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) project, New oil pipelines between Ecuador-Peru, Bolivia's Gasyrg and Yabog pipelines, and Ecuador's proposed oil exploration concessions covering nearly five million acres.

Amazon Watch also conducted the following investigative missions during 2002:

Assessing Impacts of Peru's Camisea Project: At the request of local groups, Amazon Watch brought together experts and conducted field missions to evaluate the environmental and social impacts of the massive Camisea fossil fuel project. We brought attention to the threats facing Machiguenga communities as well as the vulnerable and isolated populations who shun all contact with the outside world. U.S. Government's Export Import Bank (Ex-Im) is considering a loan for drilling in the Indigenous Reserve.

Exposed Unethical Company Conduct To Financiers: Amazon Watch documented oil companies' harmful activities including Pluspetrol and Hunt Oil's practice of sending search parties to forcibly seek uncontacted indigenous groups in the area of the gas concession. Our monitoring reports were sent regularly to the Ex-Im Bank, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), Andean Development Corporation (CAF) and Citigroup.

Field Investigation of Impacts of the Cuiabá pipeline: Amazon Watch joined our Bolivian partners in an investigative delegation to the Chiquitano Forest to document the social and environmental impacts in the aftermath of the Bolivia-Cuiaba pipeline. The delegation gathered documentation showing that the pipeline has opened up the Chiquitano to rampant logging and mining. We prepared a report and video documenting the project's longterm consequences to serve as a case study for similar projects.



THE FOCUS OF AMAZON WATCH'S MONITORING & ADVOCACY PROGRAMS

- 1. Ecuador: New oil drilling in protected areas of lowland rainforests (Yasuni, Cuyabeno, Limoncocha, Pañacocha).
- 2. Ecuador: OCP pipeline route through Andean montane cloud forests (Mindo Nambillo, Guayllabamba Basin Reserve).
- 3. Ecuador: a) Oil Exploration in Achuar / Shuar Territories in pristine Southern Amazon rainforests. b) Oil exploration concessions (9th round) in pristine southern lowland rainforests.
- 4. Peru: Camisea Gas field $\mathcal B$ pipelines in isolated indigenous peoples' reserves in intact Southwestern Amazon rainforest.
- 5. Peru: Cleanup of contamination in block 1AB and new oil exploration and drilling in block 64, territories of Achuar People.
- 6. Bolivia: Bi-Oceanic Highway and new gas pipelines through Chiquitano Forest (Dry Tropical) & Pantanal Wetlands.
- 7. Bolivia: Pacific LNG pipeline to export gas to the U.S, and also Gasyrg and Yabog pipeline expansion projects through Chaco forests.
- 8. Brazil: Urucu-Porto Velho & Urucu-Manaus gas pipelines through isolated indigenous peoples' area in intact lowland rainforests.
- 9. Brazil: Belo Monte hydroelectric dam on the Xingu River to flood tropical forests and affect indigenous reserves.
- 10. Brazil: An industrial waterway for shipping grains is proposed for Tocantins and Araguaia Rivers.
- 11. Colombia: Oil exploration in the U'wa Indigenous territory in the Cordillera Oriental Montane Forest.



Supporting Rainforest Peoples

Amazon Watch assists front line communities through campaigns, technical and financial support. In 2002, we closely coordinated our efforts with our partners, specifically with the Achuar, Shuar, Zapara, the U'wa, the Chiquitano, and the Machiguenga peoples. We also formed alliances with communities and environmental organizations in vulnerable areas. Our campaigns enabled indigenous and local peoples to directly confront and engage international decision-makers such as shareholders, corporate executives, government officials, and financiers.

Achievements in 2002:

ECUADOR

Supported Local Resistance to the New Oil Pipeline in Ecuador. Amazon Watch directed funding, equipment, training, and generated media coverage in support of local communities affected by the OCP pipeline. Along with groups in Germany, Australia, and Canada, we focused public attention on the financiers of the pipeline. Amazon Watch helped commission two independent studies that documented the project's failure to adhere to the minimum environmental standards set by the World Bank or those of OCP's main financier, the German Bank WestLB.









Shined International Spotlight on Ecuador. In July 2002, Amazon Watch accompanied the celebrated environmentalist Julia 'Butterfly' Hill to Ecuador to express solidarity for anti-OCP activists. She visited local residents who had led protests and tree sits in the Mindo cloud forest reserve. Ms. Hill's arrest during a peaceful demonstration in Quito and her subsequent deportation shone the international spotlight on the OCP project and the environmental destruction in the Amazon being perpetrated by North American oil companies.

Launched Clean Up Ecuador Campaign. Amazon Watch visited Ecuador in September 2002 to strategize with local partner groups about the newly created Clean Up Ecuador campaign focused on ChevronTexaco. Corporate accountability, cleanup and community reparations form the main goals of the campaign which seeks solutions to the toxic legacy the company left behind after 20 years of oil drilling in the Ecuadorian Amazon. In December 2002, Amazon Watch launched the campaign timed with the U.S. visit of indigenous and community leaders from affected communities.

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Accompanied Communities Affected by the Camisea Project. Amazon Watch publicized the Camisea project's impacts and accompanied delegations of people affected to Washington D.C. to meet with the project's potential financiers including ExIm Bank, the IDB, and Citigroup. Decision-makers heard first hand about the project's serious impacts. Project loans to Hunt Oil and Pluspetrol were subsequently delayed and Citigroup withdrew from the project.

Strengthened Communities Affected by the Camisea Project. At the request of Peruvian partner groups, in August Amazon Watch helped convene workshops for local environmental and indigenous organizations in preparing for public hearings held by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) on the Camisea Project. The workshop provided insight into IDB's policies and offered our Peruvian and Bolivian partner groups a space for exchanging experiences in dealing with pipeline projects.



BOLIVIA

Challenged Financing for New Gas Pipelines in Bolivia. Amazon Watch faciliated meetings for our Bolivian partner groups with the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington, D.C. to dissuade the bank from financing new gas pipelines in Bolivia, in particular, Enron's projects. We also held meetings with OPIC and presented information on the environmental and social impacts from the Bolivia-Cuiaba project.

COLOMBIA

Publicized the U'wa People's Story. Amazon Watch continued to support the U'wa people of Colombia in their valiant efforts to defend their territories and culture from oil drilling. We translated and disseminated U'wa communiqués and kept the U'wa story—in particular the news of Occidental Petroleum's withdrawal from the U'wa land-in the international spotlight. We helped raise and channel funds directly to the U'wa for land recuperation and travel. Amazon Watch accompanied the U'wa on their US visits and recruited Hollywood celebrities in their support.









Informed OXY's Shareholders on Company Abuses. Amazon Watch attended OXY's May 2002 Annual Shareholder Meeting and held public rallies to bring attention to the company's role in Colombia's conflicts. We questioned OXY executives on the company's environmental and human rights abuses in Colombia and in northern Peru. OXY announced its withdrawal from the U'wa Peoples' land at their AGM.

Exposed the Chain of Complicity in Violence. Amazon Watch defended human rights in Colombia by exposing the complicity between U.S. military aid, Occidental Petroleum, the Colombian military and other armed groups behind massacres and abuses of indigenous peoples. In March 2002, we published a report entitled *Civil Conflict and Indigenous Peoples in Colombia* that examines how the location of Colombia's lucrative oil reserves beneath indigenous territories has increasingly put indigenous peoples directly in the crossfire of Colombia's civil war. We also organized an U'wa delegation to Washington D.C. as part of the National Mobilization on Colombia in April 2002. Workshops, rallies and action alerts served to educate U'wa supporters about the human rights crisis being perpetuated by more U.S. military aid.

BRAZIL

Investigated New Pipelines in the Brazilian Amazon. Amazon Watch embarked on a field mission to the communities that would be affected by the proposed Urucu-Porto Velho gas pipeline to gather information and coordinate campaign strategies with local groups. The trip included visits to the Solimões gas plant and the town of Coari, which is heavily affected by the existing Coari-Manaus pipeline. In Porto Velho, we met with indigenous organizations who are concerned about the uncontacted indigenous groups who will be affected by the new pipeline's route. Following the trip, we presented our concerns to the project sponsors, the US-based company, El Paso Gas and Petrobras (Brazilian state-owned oil company) and warned them of the growing international opposition to the project.

Influencing Investors

North American investors and energy markets are a major driving force behind the proliferation of new oil and gas mega-projects in the Amazon.



Roberto Perez, U'wa President, Speaks at Oxy Annual Meeting

Amazon Watch questions the economic rationale for fossil fuel exploitation that for the past 30 years has left massive contamination, cultural disintegration, violent conflict and escalating debt throughout the Amazon. We challenge international financial institutions, private banks and corporations to consider the ecological and social

risks of drilling in pristine or culturally sensitive rainforests. Amazon Watch also monitors the projects and policies of international financial institutions like the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank. We call on these institutions to end lending to industrial projects in sensitive forests. When necessary, we intervene to block financing for harmful projects.

Major Achievements in 2002:

Occidental Petroleum Leaves U'wa Land. After nearly ten years of resistance led by the U'wa people

and backed by Amazon Watch and supporters around the world, in May 2002, Occidental Petroleum pulled out of the U'wa land in northeast-



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The Colombian Government continues to look for other investors to take over the oil concession. Amazon Watch remains vigilant in support of the U'wa people.

Enron Pipeline Loan Cancelled. After 30 months of pressure by Amazon Watch and our allies, OPIC cancelled a \$200 million loan to Enron for the Bolivia-Cuiaba pipeline in the Chiquitano Dry Forest.

We provided detailed information about Enron's noncompliance with loan conditions. Our efforts contributed to a front-page exposé on the pipeline in the Washington Post in May 2002.



Ecuador's OCP Pipeline Delayed.Amazon Watch pro-

Activists from Mindo stage a tree-sit in protest of the OCP Pipeline.

vided critical support to local communities opposed to Ecuador's new OCP pipeline. The campaign generated significant international media attention and resulted in \$300 million in cost overruns, and several months' delay in the construction schedule. The project has became a lightening rod for criticism focused on the German bank, WestLB which has since committed to adopt stronger policies.

Citibank Pulls out of the Camisea Fossil Fuel

Project. Amazon Watch worked directly with affected communities to monitor the Camisea oil and gas project in the Peruvian Amazon. Through extensive research, analysis, documentation, we coordinated an international campaign focused on the issue. Results at the end of 2002 were: a six-month delay in the approval process of the project's loan by the Inter-American Development Bank and ExIm Bank; and the announcement by Citigroup, the Camisea project's financial advisor that Citibank withdrew from the project in late 2002.

Urucu Pipelines Suspended. One of two gas pipelines proposed for the Brazilian Amazon, the Coari-Manaus pipeline, was suspended indefinitely as a result of a pressure campaign led by Brazilian and international environmental organizations. The environmental license for a second pipeline, the Urucu-Porto Velho, was first approved and then suspended due to public outrage and pending further review of deficient environmental impact studies.

Amazon Communications Team

To enable our local partners to effectively reach international allies, decision-makers, and their own communities, the Amazon Communications Team (ACT) delivers cameras, computers, and 2-way radio equipment as well as facilitates training in media, public outreach, and campaign strategies. Since the program's inception four years ago, Amazon Watch has provided more than \$200,000 in equipment and funding to our partners.

Achievements in 2002:

Financial and Technical Support

During the year, the Amazon Communications Team transferred nearly \$13,500 in communications equipment (laptops, radios, cameras, field / rain gear) and \$27,000 in emergency funds to our partner groups. We helped raise additional funds by translating and forwarding grant proposals to US-based foundations and individual donors.

ACT led missions to provide assistance to partner groups. The communications training and the equipment has proven crucial and improved the internal communications of the indigenous groups. For example, Amazon Watch:

- Delivered digital camera and audio-visual equipment for the Peruvian indigenous rights organization, Racimos de Ungurahui.
- Delivered donated communications equipment (2-way radios) and conducted trainings of local communities threatened by oil development in Ecuador.
- Provided expert radio technician from Wave Bridge Communications Project who spent six weeks training Achuar and Quichua communities and activists in Mindo in equipment operation and maintenance.
- Acquired funding and purchased a laptop computer for OPIAC, the indigenous organization of the Colombian Amazon.
- Delivered equipment and financial support to indigenous and environmental groups in Ecuador affected by the OCP pipeline.
- Delivered donated laptops to the leader of National Council of Rubber Tappers (CNS) in Rondonia, Brazil.
- Provided digital camera gear to Associacao dos Seringueiros Kaxinawa do Rio Jordão (ASKARJ).



Team members deliver much needed equipment and training to indigenous organizations in the Amazon.

Video Productions

Based on footage we gathered on our missions, Amazon Watch produced and released the following videos in 2002:

- Produced a seven-minute documentary on Amazon Watch's work and achievements narrated by Martin Sheen.
- Produced a ten-minute video entitled "ChevronTexaco: Ecuador's Black Plague" about the toxic legacy the company left behind after 30 years of operating in the Amazon.
- Disseminated select video footage (B-roll and testimonies) about Peru's Camisea project and distributed it to project financiers (Ex-Im, IDB, CAF, Citigroup) and to the Washington Post.
- Produced video entitled "Plundering the Forest: An Audit of Enron and Shell's Bolivian Pipelines".
- Produced B-roll on the OCP pipeline in Ecuador and distributed to CNN, German TV networks, and APTN.
- Assisted Acción Creativa, an Ecuadorian organization to produce, translate and disseminate a 30-minute documentary entitled "Amazon Oil Pipeline: Pollution, Corruption and Poverty."

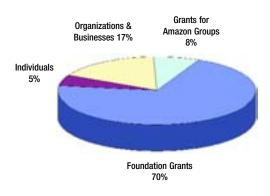
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

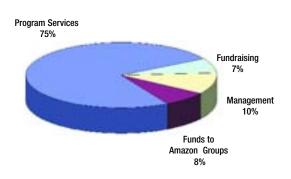
January 1 to December 31

| Revenues | 2002 | 2001 |
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| Foundation Grants | \$ 285,000 | \$ 308,000 |
| Individual Donors | \$ 20,379 | \$ 25,891 |
| Non-profit Organizations and Business Donors | \$ 69,095 | \$ 6,121 |
| Restricted Funds for Groups in the Amazon | \$ 30,377 | \$ 20,416 |
| Total Income Restricted & Unrestricted | \$ 404,851 | \$ 360,428 |

YEAR 2002 REVENUES



YEAR 2002 EXPENDITURES



| Expenditures | 2002 | 2001 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Program Services | \$ 350,231 | \$ 210,028 |
| Funds to Groups in the Amazon | \$ 36,430 | \$ 28,509 |
| Management & General Expenses | \$ 48,661 | \$ 47,830 |
| Fundraising Expense | \$ 34,289 | \$ 20,460 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ 469,611 | \$ 306,827 |
| Net Income | \$ (64,761) | \$ 53,601 |
| Net Assets, January 1 | \$ 154,570 | \$ 100,969 |
| Net Assets, December 31 * | \$ 89,809 | \$ 154,570 |

^{*} Year end net assets include \$80,981 in cash accounts and \$8,828 in property and equipment.

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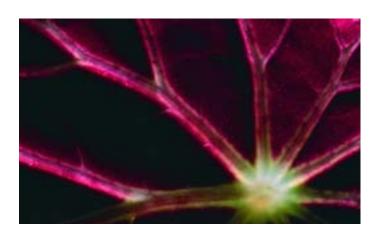
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Machiguenga girl from the Peruvian Amazon



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AMAZONIAN PARTNER GROUPS

Amazon Watch works in partnership with dozens of local organizations. These groups play a lead role in defining our program priorities. In 2002, Amazon Watch worked closely with the following partner organizations in the Amazon. We thank these organizations for their courage and commitment.

BOLIVIA

CPESC—Indigenous Peoples Organization of Santa Cruz, Bolivia

CEADES—NGO supporting the indigenous organizations in Eastern Bolivia

OICH—Chiquitano Indigenous Peoples' Organization

CIDOB—The national indigenous organization of Bolivia

Friends of the Earth Amazonia

Pastoral Land Commission—environmental / human rights group and part of the catholic church

COIAB—Indigenous Organization of the Brazilian Amazon

CNS—National Council of Rubber Tappers

ONIC—National Indigenous Organization of Colombia

U'wa Traditional Authorities—The organization of the U'wa people of northeastern Colombia

OPIAC—Indigenous Peoples' Organization of the Colombian Amazon

ECUADOR

Acción Ecológica—environmental organization based in Quito, Ecuador

ONZAE—Zapara Indigenous Organization, Ecuadorian Amazon

CDES—Center for Economic and Social Rights based in Ecuador and the United States

CONAIE—The National Indigenous Organization of Ecuador

FINAE—Achuar people's indigenous organization, Ecuadorian Amazon

FIPSE—Shuar people's indigenous organization, Ecuadorian Amazon

Frente de la Defensa de la Amazonia—An umbrella organization of communities adversely affected by oil development in the northern Ecuadorian Amazon

Fundación Pachamama—Foundation supporting indigenous organizations in the Ecuadorian Amazon

Accion por la Vida—Environmental community organization from the Mindo region

ONHAE—Organization of the Huaorani People of Ecuador, Ecuadorian Amazon

AIDESEP—Peru's national organization for indigenous peoples of the Peruvian Amazon

CEDIA— environmental and social justice NGO

COMARU—Machiguenga people's indigenous organization, Peruvian Amazon

FENAMAD—indigenous organization representing the indigenous peoples of Madre de Dios

Racimos de Ungurahui—organization defending the rights of Peru's indigenous peoples

Shinai Serjali—Support organization working on behalf of the Nahua people

ORACH—The Achuar people's indigenous organization Peruvian Amazon





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