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Acts of Resistance: Forum on the Struggle of Indigenous People's Land Rights in Upper Baram Forest Area



Date : 13 August 2022, Saturday Time : 2:00 pm via Zoom and FB Live Zoom
registration : <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlcemqrj0vH9aJFhwfqYQhB0t8BUKVnqyf>

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In May and June 2022, timber giant - Samling encroached into the Penan's customary lands in the Upper Baram Forest Area (UBFA). The communities filed the police report on July 9th. Shortly after that, Samling pulled out their machinery and left the area.

On Saturday 16th of July, the Penan from the villages of Long Ajeng, Long Lamam and Long Murung erected blockades on two of Samling's roads, one leading into the conservation area and one into a community use zone of the Upper Baram Forest Area (UBFA).

The Penan decided to build blockade houses across the roads instead of simple barricades to signal their determination to permanently stop timber extraction: the communities and the blockades are here to stay.

In conjunction with International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples, please join us and hear first-hand from the leader of the Penan communities, indigenous peoples human rights defender.

The Forum aims to highlight how these acts of resistance are important in protecting indigenous territories and also one of the last remaining forest areas with richest biodiversity in the world.

Speakers: **Komeok Joe - Leader of KERUAN (Penan Community-based Organisation)**

Mark Bujang

- Representative from Save Rivers

Colin Nicholas

- Coordinator of Center for Orang Asli Concerns (COAC)

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