

Experts mechanism on the right of indigenous peoples, Geneve

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Item 4. Follow up studies on extractive industries and advice

Thank you chair for giving me the floor and greetings to all delegates : I come from Pokot people of Kenya who are approximately 400'000 persons.

The report on extractive industries is important and what is remaining is its implementation.

The studies clearly showed how indigenous peoples are affected ant their lands, ecosystems, habitats and species in the name of development. Conflicts and tension with business enterprises or outsiders became a new phenomena for redress.

Our own people in Kenya are victims of mining and mineral extraction and I am convinced that a follow up activities are urgent.

I urge EMRIP to endorse it for it's implementation at country and community levels.

We have a new ministry of mining therefore our territories need protection.

I recommended that :

- The relevant UM agency to disseminate the results and recommendations of the studies at the country level.
- The relevant UM agency to facilitate regional and country dialogue forums with governments officials, business enterprises, civil society and indigenous peoples to promote understanding of indigenous rights in the context of mining, mineral extraction operations.
- The governments to implement Umted nations Declaration on the Rights of indigenous peoples.
- Training of governments officials on indigenous rights in tho context of extractive industries participation.

Thank you for listening time.