

Good practices and lessons learned regarding efforts to achieve the ends of the Declaration, with a focus on recognition, reparations and reconciliation

My name is **Áurea Anacé**, I belong to the Indigenous People of the **Anacé** and I represent the **Network of Indigenous Women of Ceará in the State of Ceará, Brazil**. We also assert our rights under the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The Anacé people are divided between two neighbouring non-indigenous municipalities, which means that we need to focus on being recognized also on a local level. We are one of Ceará's 14 ethnic groups; which make up a total of 35,000 indigenous people. Since the 16th century, our people has been massacred by large companies, land-owners and hired gunmen. The main Industrial and Port Complex in the Northeast of Brazil was established in Ceará in 1994, covering 33,000 hectares. For its installation, four roads and two quarries invaded our lands. The entire complex is in Anacé territory. This means: expropriation, theft of water and obstructing the demarcation of our lands, besides the environmental impacts and impact on our health. Some indigenous communities have been forced to leave; others have been in conflict for over 20 years. Many of us suffered attacks and death threats. Chief Roberto, my husband, is under threat of murder. Paulo, another Anacé leader, had to leave the State to avoid being killed.

A large number of companies are occupying our area: Vale, the Korean companies Posco and DongKung, MPX Energia and several banks: Santander, BDNES, BID, a Korean bank, HSCB, the French banks BNP and GDF-Suez. With Bolsonaro's government, the situation is worsening. He stated that no indigenous land will be demarcated any more. I am here to ask that you run a campaign to denounce these companies, disseminate the situation we are living in and support us in our continued existence.

Thank you.