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## Why this is important

A corporate wind energy consortium--formed by FEMSA/Coca-Cola, Heineken, Mitsubishi, Macquarie, Vestas, PGGM (a Dutch pensions fund) and others, and financed by the Inter-American Development Bank--is forming paramilitary shock troops and preparing them to invade the ancestral lands of the Mexican indigenous Ikojts/Huave people in order to build by force Latin America's largest wind farm.

This is happening in the Ikojts/Huave village of San Dionisio (Oaxaca, Mexico). The Ikojts (in their own language) / Huave (in Spanish) are one of the most historically oppressed peoples in Mexico, with approximately 22,000 survivors left in four communities that speak one of the most threatened languages in the world. They now face a bloodbath for refusing to allow self-proclaimed "sustainable and responsible" corporations to invade their territory.

The wind farm will produce power for FEMSA, the Coca-Cola bottling company in Mexico, and for Heineken's operations in Mexico. The only beneficiaries are the corporations and investors, and a handful of corrupt politicians that have been bought by the Macquarie-led consortium.

This project is a striking example of how violent and destructive the "green economy" can be if it is driven by corporate interests. We cannot allow the renewable energy sector to be as neo-colonial and violent as the fossil fuels and nuclear sectors. The advance of renewable energy is the result of tireless efforts by the peace and ecologist movements to build an alternative economy that responds to the needs of communities and of the planet. The Ikojts communities, and many other communities threatened by violent corporate takeovers of their land, need us to reclaim green power as community power.