

Pacific Island Logging November 2004

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- That Australian Greens wish to send a message of understanding and solidarity to Pacific citizens who are struggling to preserve their remaining forest resources from imminent destruction.
- The Australian Greens recognise and acknowledge the paramount importance of customary rights of land ownership and resource access.
- Foreign owned companies are destroying the Solomon Island heritage and subverting customary ownership rights at an accelerating rate, despite the current implementation of the Australian "Forestry Management Program."

The Voko Noko people of Western Solomons have, through their landowner representations and their women, pleaded for assistance from the Australian Government; we (AG) call on the Australian Government to acknowledge and respect these requests as the legitimate and rightful claim

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