

ED #1 – Economic Democracy – Stop Corporate Plundering of Resources of Other Nations and States
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In the chapter on Economic Democracy, append plank as follows:

x. Stop Corporate Plundering of Resources of Other Nations and-States

Governments and corporations exploit resources located within the borders of other nations and states. All companies should be required by law to take steps to identify, prevent and address human rights abuses and resources exploited in the absence of an internationally recognized sovereign government's permission (known as due diligence). Companies, their officers and their significant shareholders must be held to account for abuses. People whose rights have been abused by companies and whose resources have been consumed must be able to access justice and effective remedy. Since companies operate across borders, so the law must also operate across borders to protect people's rights to an economically and environmentally sustainable standard of living. Companies who import into the United States products whose supply chains violate these laws should be fined and sanctioned in a manner sufficient to deter similar operations, including dilution of corporate control, and remedy to the victimized populations should be drawn from fines and/or distribution of corporate shares. Appropriate criminal charges should be brought against the officers of these companies.