The Pulp Invasion: The international pulp and paper industry in the Mekong Region

This report was produced in 2000-2001 for the World Rainforest Movement, looking at the current state of the pulp and paper industry in the Mekong Region: Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam. The research covers the extent of plantations and their social and environmental impacts in the region, the role of the various institutions in supporting the expansion of industrial plantations, and the patterns of local resistance to ecological damage and loss of livelihood. It was written to encourage debate on the issues raised about the pulp and paper industry and the development of industrial plantations in the Mekong Region.

The aim of the report is not to provide "solutions" or "recommendations" but to support the rights of communities to make their own decisions over the management of their rivers, farmlands and forests.

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