Brazil: Dossier launched about the resistance and traditional land tenure of the Turiwara Tembé people in the upper Acará River area, Pará state

Meticulous research conducted by the New Social Cartography of the Amazon Project in conjunction with traditional communities in the upper Acará River area over the course of five years has resulted in the dossier "Indígenas Turiwara Tembé no alto rio Acará: conflitos étnicos e territoriais". This outstanding work describes in detail the history and resistance struggles of traditional communities in this part of Pará, proving that the Turiwara Tembé belong in the territory they have demanded for many years.

This dossier makes a detailed account of the resistance, traditional occupation of the territory, recent process of re-occupations of territory, and brutality practiced against this indigenous people by the company Agropalma that illegally occupies this territory. As such, it is a strong denouncement of how this company brutally denies their existence and identity, treating them as 'invaders'. Given the evidence contained in this document, the inertia of the relevant agencies of the Brazilian State, evinced by the non-demarcation of the Turiwara Tembé territory, is unacceptable. The document may be accessed through this website.