# Hudbay Minerals AGM (annual shareholder meeting) today 9 years later, still no justice for Q'eqchi' victims of Hudbay mining repression in Guatemala, as opposition grows to Hudbay mine in Arizona

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As German Chub, Angelica Choc and the 11 women of Lote 8 continue with their courageous and risky precedent-setting lawsuits against Hudbay in Canadian courts, for mining repression they suffered in Guatemala in 2007 and 2009, ...



... Hudbay faces opposition in Arizona, USA, due to a massive, open-pit copper mine they hope to operate.

<u>National Geographic article</u>: In a land of wild cats and scarce water, a battle over [Hudbay Minerals] mining heats up

• <a href="https://www.nationalgeographic.com/environment/2019/04/rosemont-copper-mine-arizona-environmental-impact/">https://www.nationalgeographic.com/environment/2019/04/rosemont-copper-mine-arizona-environmental-impact/</a>

# "Friends" in high places

In April 2017, U.S. president Trump nominated David Bernhardt to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. Bernhardt, now Interior secretary, was a <u>lobbyist for Hudbay from 2011 through 2015</u>, and a consultant to Hudbay for more than a year thereafter.

# **Background**

- Hudbay Minerals corporate documents reveal extensive knowledge about and enabling of repression and corruption in Guatemala, By Grahame Russell, July 19, 2018, https://mailchi.mp/rightsaction/hudbay-minerals-corporate-documents-reveal
- Media links: http://rightsaction.org/hudbay-minerals-lawsuits-media/
- Award-winning documentary film Defensora (2013), about the Maya Q'eqchi' peoples' struggle in Guatemala to reclaim ancestral lands and to seek justice in Canadian and Guatemalan courts for murder, shootings and rapes committed by police, soldiers and private security guards working for Canadian mining company Hudbay Minerals and its Guatemalan subsidiary CGN. Film: <a href="https://vimeo.com/75725049">https://vimeo.com/75725049</a>

### What to do?

### Why Hondurans and Guatemalans Flee

The U.S. and Canadian governments, and northamerican and global businesses and investors (hydro-electric dams, mining, African palm, tourism, cattle, fruit, etc.) maintain profitable relations with corrupt, repressive governments in Honduras and Guatemala, turning a blind eye to and benefitting from repression, environmental devastation, human rights violations, corruption and impunity.

### These are "U.S. & Canadian problems"

Keep sending copies of this information, and your own letters, to families, friends and networks, to politicians and media, to pension and investment funds, asking: Why our governments, companies and investment firms benefit from and turn a blind eye to poverty, repression and violence, environmental and health harms in places like Guatemala and Honduras?

**Rights Action (U.S. & Canada)** directly funds community-based human rights, environmental and territorial defense organizations in Guatemala and Honduras. We provide relief funds to victims of repression and human rights violations, health harms and natural disasters. We work to hold accountable the U.S. and Canadian governments, companies and investors, international actors (World Bank, etc.) that cause, contribute to and profit from repression and human rights violations, environmental harms and forced evictions, corruption and impunity.

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