## PETROLEUM IN THAILAND 2003

## 1. ALLIANCES AGAINST THAI-MALAYSIAN GAS PIPELINE AND GAS BASED NDUSTRIES.

## **SONGKHLA, THAILAND**

The Prime Minister of Malaysia The Embassy of Malaysia 33-35 South Sathorn Road Thung Mahamek Bangkok 10120 Thailand

## **Dear Prime Minister**;

You may be well reported about Thai government's crackdown to the pipeline opposition groups in late December last year. Many of our loved ones and friends were mercilessly beaten by police batons and got seriously hurt.

We know the new round of violent and brutal crackdown, the worst maybe, will happen soon. Hundreds of frontier police have been deployed to occupy and demolish "Lan Hoy Seap", our concentric camp of resistance. It is hard to imagine what extents of loss would be.

That can not, however, dishearten our courageous spirit to stop opposition. We will keep fighting on for our home and good environment. Map Ta Phud people who live next door to the industrial estate and gas separation plants have no clean air to breath and no safe water to use.

The rain water and ground water are badly polluted and not safe enough for drinking and household use for over ten years. Very few communities can access to the public pipe-water. We can not stand still and let such evil development breaking in our home and destroy our land. You may have good control of environment and pollution in your country but it is different in Thailand. You protect your people from bad environment but our government protect the investors particularly the foreign rich people and let their local poor dying. No honesty and no honor available in Thai government and PTT's people to guarantee our future if we let the gas project proceeds here.

Take back your pipeline, bring your dirty gas being onshore at your home, we plead to you. Don't take a risk in the gas separation plants here. Stay away from joining hands with Thai government in selling their dignity and national benefits to

those bloody American and British oil companies who are crushing Iraqi people to dead and have been exploiting our natural gas, we demand to you. Don't agree with Thai government to do harm and kill Muslim people at Chana. We believe in the same Allah!!

With sincere respect and boundless peace

Alliances Against Thai-Malaysian Gas Pipeline and Gas Based Industries Songkhla, Thailand

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