

Mundemba, the 09th November, 2009

THE CHAIRMAN,
LAND CONSULTATIVE BOARD,
MUNDEMBA-NDIAN
C/O THE DIVISIONAL DELEGATE,
DELEGATE OF LAND TENURE
MUNDEMBA - NDIAN.

Sir,

**SUBJECT: OPPOSITION TO GRANT OF LAND CERTIFICATE TO SITHE
GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE OILS, CAMEROON.**

We have the honour to address to your high office this opposition to grant a Land Certificate to SITHE Global Sustainable Oils, Cameroon on all lands presently owned and occupied by the Batanga within the area SITHE have indicated interest in.

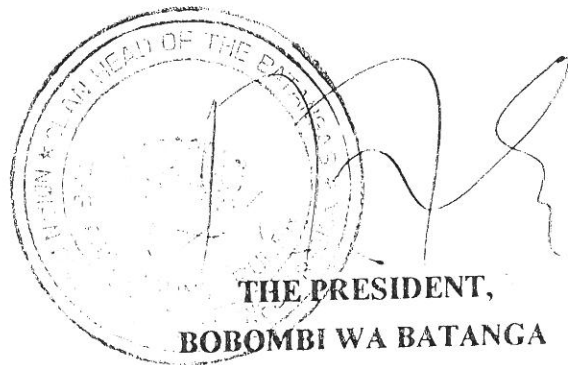
Since the creating of the Korup National Park in our area, we have learned to imbibe the culture of conservation and, accepting the present SITHE Project will be contradictory to this culture. Moreover, we have already approached Government who have commenced consultations with our various villages for the creation of a Community Forest which will enable us have full protection over our natural flora and fauna.

In addition, Sir, considering the on-going Copernagen talks on Climate Change, and the world -wide trend in favour of environmental conservation, we find this current move to de-forest our lands by SITHE Global Sustainable Oils contrary to the preservation of the biosphere, thereby contradictory to our objectives.

As at now, Sir, the land proposed to be covered by the Project is under effective occupation by the Batanga people and, in the absence of a cadastral survey report, we cannot say which private and collective interest would be adversely affected.

We therefore, vehemently, state our opposition to any grant of Land Certificate over the little remaining land of Batanga to SITHE GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE OILS especially as we already sacrificed so much of our land when the Korup National Park was created.

Accept our sincere expression of deep respect for your person and office.



**THE PRESIDENT,
BOBOMBI WA BATANGA
HON. CHIEF N.N. MBILE
PARAMOUNT RULER OF THE BATANGA, NDIAN**

CC:

- The Minister of Forestry and Wildlife, Yaounde
- The Senior Divisional Officer-Ndian
- The Divisional Delegate, Delegation of Forestry and Wildlife - Ndian
- The Country Representative K.F.W. - Buea
- The Country Representative D.E.D. - Buea