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The greed of mining and oil companies is driving Native peoples to the brink of extinction. Acclaimed scholar of Native and environmental issues Al Gedicks describes how a multiracial, transnational movement is fighting back.

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In Mexico, the Philippines, Colombia, Ecuador, Nigeria, West Papua, Canada, and the United States, indigenous peoples are working with environmentalists and anti-racists to stop corporate and state takeovers of their traditional lands and waters. Al Gedicks looks at these and other regions and documents how mining and oil companies subvert local opposition and rely on military forces to carry out their exploitation.

Global activists will find *Resource Rebels* an essential key to effective campaigns. As native communities have come under assault, there has been an extraordinary growth of native organizations asserting their rights on the international stage. Gedicks documents how a growing transnational environmental and human rights network has come to the assistance of native communities under siege by the international oil and mining industries.

Praise for *The New Resource Wars*:

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Al Gedicks is a professor of sociology at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and an environmental and native rights activist. He has written extensively about the impact of mining on native populations and is the author of the critically acclaimed classic, *The New Resource Wars: Native and Environmental Struggles Against Multinational Corporations* (ISBN 0-89608-462-0, South End Press 1993).

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