**Statement of Solidarity with *Terra!***

Last May the Italian environmental organization Terra! uncovered a link between the Italian paper manufacturer Cartiere Pigna and the deforestation of Indonesian rainforests carried out by Asia Pulp & Paper (APP). The destruction of Indonesian rainforests has become one of the major causes of greenhouse gas emissions in the earth and is threatening the continued existence of Sumatran tigers, rhinos and elephants, among many other species. APP has been implicated in numerous human rights abuses and corruption. Sales of the products of APP threaten the whole planet, local people and global biodiversity.

Instead of admitting the truth and demonstrating corporate accountability and cleaning up its production, Cartiere Pigna sought charges against Terra! in a suit for damages to its corporate reputation.

In the court Terra! proved both that Pigna is a customer of APP and that Pigna's products contain fibres coming from tropical deforestation (mixed tropical hardwood) and from plantations related to deforestation (acacia). However, due to technicalities and convoluted legal interpretation, Terra! was convicted for having told the truth about Pigna.

The law should prosecute those companies involved in environmental crimes against the Indonesian rainforests and against the global climate, instead of convicting those pointing out the problem. This is a blatant abuse of the right to free speech and an attempt to prevent environmental campaigning, and we express our full solidarity with Terra!

We - the signatories - support Terra! in its struggle against Pigna and this unjust court ruling. We regard Pigna’s attack on Terra! to be an attack on all of us working for a sustainable environment. We will make sure that information about this scandal will be spread as widely as possible.

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