



# WHO OWNS THIS SACRED LAND?



RIO TINTO,  
THERE IS BLOOD  
ON YOUR HANDS

[www.freewestpapua.org](http://www.freewestpapua.org)

Dear Mr Albanese

I was shocked to discover that Rio Tinto are operating the Freeport gold and copper mine in Indonesian controlled West Papua, and pay members of the Indonesian army to protect it. Human rights group estimate that over 400,000 innocent civilians have been killed by the Indonesian military since they colonised West Papua in the 1960s. Thousands more have been tortured, raped, forcibly removed from their land and imprisoned. Foreign media and human rights groups are banned from entering West Papua by the Indonesian authorities in their attempts to cover-up this genocide.

By operating in West Papua, Rio Tinto is stealing from the indigenous people (who live in abject poverty), and actively supporting the genocide and vicious oppression that Indonesia is committing against the indigenous people.

I am calling on Rio Tinto to immediately halt operations in West Papua and to make strong representations to the Indonesian Government about the ongoing atrocities that are being committed by their military there.

Yours Sincerely

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