

## **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ACTION FOR THE AMAZON AUGUST 22 2011**

Amazon Watch is organizing an **International Day of Action to stop the Belo Monte Dam in Brasil** on Monday August 22. There'll be a photoshoot/press conference with placards outside the Brasil Embassy **19 Forster Crescent, Yarralumla** at 1pm on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and we'll deliver a letter of protest.. If you can show up for even 15 minutes to swell the numbers, that would be great.

[60-minutes programme on the issue.](#)

Friends, I am helping to organize an international day of action for the Amazon <http://tinyurl.com/AmazonSolidarity> on Monday August 22. This is to protest the Belo Monte Dam and 60 other dams that have been given the go ahead by the Brazilian government. Unless people worldwide rally in support of the local indigenous people and stop these dams, they will flood the heart of the Amazon rainforest and displace tens of thousands of tribal people who have been living in harmony with the jungle since time immemorial.

We will be gathering with placards and banners outside your Brazil embassy at 1pm on Monday August 22<sup>nd</sup> and delivering a letter of protest to the ambassador.

Brazil has Embassies and Consulates in over 125 countries [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_diplomatic\\_missions\\_of\\_Brazil](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_diplomatic_missions_of_Brazil) . Lets see how many places we can encourage such actions. Please encourage Canberra people to join us between 1 and 2pm on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and people everywhere to sign [the petition](#) .

If you're on Facebook, please let your FB friends know about the event <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=138340882919274>

The director and stars of the film "Avatar" are supporting this protest <http://amazonwatch.org/news/2010/0827-a-message-from-pandora> and in our Aussie action on the 22<sup>nd</sup> we are hoping that some people will paint themselves blue and dress like the Avatar Pandorans as promising this will surely attract the television media.

**If you are willing to be part of such street theatre**, please let me know

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