First Peoples Worldwide



First Peoples Worldwide advocates for internationally recognized rights and promotes to companies the use of the following principles:

- respect the right to self-determination;
- respect land and natural resource rights and traditional homelands of indigenous communities;
- respect cultural heritage, ceremonial, and sacred indigenous sites;
- obtain free and informed prior consent to operate or explore on indigenous lands;
- avoid relocation of indigenous communities, except in cases where there is informed prior consent, agreement on fair compensation, and an option for return to homelands;
- negotiate agreements with indigenous communities fairly and transparently with independent observers present;
- avoid exacerbating any tensions between indigenous communities and local or national governments;
- protect and respect customary knowledge and use of natural resources;
- provide restitution and fair compensation to indigenous people when any property, including intellectual property, has been taken from them; and



Indigenous woman with her children, Siberia

• establish a mechanism for monitoring company compliance with codes of conduct and principles.