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PHOTO-ESSAY: On-going, repetitive health harms in the Siria Valley, Honduras, near Goldcorp Inc's open-pit, cyanide-leaching mine

(Cristian Cerrato is a child in El Porvenir, Siria Valley, Honduras. Since two months ago, he is suffering health problems. His parents have sought medical help; his problems go away, and then come back.)

BELOW: A Photo-Essay prepared by Carlos Amador, of the Siria Valley Environmental Defense Committee (and Grahame Russell of Rights Action). Photos taken by Carlos Amador in March 2010.

- **JOIN AN EDUCATIONAL DELEGATION TO GUATEMALA, APRIL 17-25:** Mining companies (including Goldcorp Inc. & HudBay Minerals) *versus* Community

development, environmental justice & human rights (For information: info@rightsaction.org)

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Since 2003, Rights Action has supported and worked with the “Comité Ambientalista Valle de Siria” (Siria Valley Environmental Defense Committee) that works to denounce and try and remedy the environmental and health harms and human rights violations caused by Goldcorp Inc's open-pit, cyanide leaching gold mine, and in promotion of community-controlled development, in defense of human rights and the environment.

All the people, photographed and interviewed below, live in or near the town of El Porvenir, which is the municipal 'capital' of the municipality of El Porvenir, department of Francisco Morazan – 1.5 hours north of Tegucigalpa.

The town of El Porvenir is 15 kilometers (9 miles) from the “Marlin Mine”, an open pit, cyanide leaching mine owned by Goldcorp Inc, operated by its subsidiary Entre Mares. Goldcorp's ill-gotten mining concession also includes the municipality of El Porvenir, but due to community, national and international opposition, Goldcorp was unable to expand its gold mine from the municipality of San Ignacio.

All the families interviewed said their children had never had these skin problems before. All the people, below, have sought medical attention and been told by medical practitioners that the cause of their recurring skin rashes and hair loss is water contaminated by Goldcorp's mine.

Jose Luis Flores (9 years old). His mother says that he suffers these health problems since 3 months ago.

Luis Ramón Rodríguez (3). His mother: "We thought these things only happened to people who live near the mine. Now, look what is happening to us as well."

Juan Jose Cabrera (6). His mother: "We have never seen this in my village. They say that this happens near the mine, but now look how it is affecting us. My soon scratches and scratches – it hurts him."

Alexis Anain López (5). His mother: "Look how he is. You should seek how this hurts me, to see him like this, every night, scratching, scratching, until blood comes out – he can't take it. I cry when I see him so desperate. We have never seen this before."

Reina Jiménez (3).

Christopher Garay (6). His mother says that medicine does not help him: "My son scratches because it hurts him. Look how he is."

Juan Manuel Soto (7). His father says he never thought he would see his son like this. "School mates make fun of him because he has bald spots in his hair. Look, how his hair is falling out and medicine does nothing for him."

Wilfredo Velasquez (38). Affected all over his head – it hurts him.

Delfina Flores (72). This is hurting her. She scratches and scratches; she has tried for medicine.

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COMMON, REPETITIVE HEALTH PROBLEMS

Nothing reported here by Carlos Amador is new. Below, a few links to previous reports about identical or similar health problems at Goldcorp's open pit, cyanide leaching mines in Honduras and Guatemala. (At www.rightsaction.org, there is more info)

HONDURAS

Photo-Essay: "Gold mining and health harms in Honduras", April 2, 2009, by the Siria Valley Committee & Rights Action:

http://rightsaction.org/articles/photo_Honduras_mining_harms.html

Article: "A chronology of indifference: The lack of response by the governments of Honduras and Canada and Goldcorp Inc. to the Siria Valley population's health problems", March 2009, by the Siria Valley Committee:

http://rightsaction.org/articles/Chronology_indifference_32309.html

GUATEMALA

Article: "Who Is Emeterio Perez, & Why Goldcorp Inc. Investors Ought to Know", January 2009, by Grahame Russell (Rights Action):

http://rightsaction.org/articles/Emetrio_Perez_013109.html

Article: "Canadian Mine Accused of Causing Skin Infections", March 2009, by the BBC:

http://rightsaction.org/articles/BBC_Goldcorp_031109.html

Photo-essay: "Health Harms in San Miguel Ixtahuacan", March 2009, by Karen Spring (Rights Action) & Francois Guindon (formerly Rights Action, now NISGUA):

http://rightsaction.org/articles/San_Miguel_022009.htm

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to support the establishment of an independent, international commission to investigate the extent of human rights violations and environmental and health harms caused by Canadian mining companies in Guatemala & Honduras

to support the paying, by Canadian mining companies and investors, of complete compensation and reparations to Guatemalan & Honduran families and communities that have suffered health and environmental harms and human rights violations

to support the passing of civil legislation and criminal law reforms, in Canada, so that Canadian mining companies can be held civilly and criminally accountable, in Canadian courts, for harms and violations caused by Canadian companies operating mines around the world

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