We indigenous leaders find ourselves defenceless and faced with repeated death threats from groups of land traffickers, organised mafia and corporate entities opposed to the recognition and titling of our communities

Statement by FERISHAM indigenous organisation, Peru

"When approaching the site, three shots were fired at the delegation by the invaders. One is well known to community members as an ‘enforcer’ associated with the operations of the palm oil company (currently known as Ocho Sur Pe SAC), which has converted an area of almost 7000ha of forest into an oil palm plantation on community lands without community consent."

*Adapted from Global Witness (2017) Defenders of the Earth: Global killings of land and environmental defenders in 2016*