R8 A1: Green Extractivism is Not a Climate Solution

Proposers Executive Committee

Motion text

Insert from line 77 to 78:

vision of territory grounded in care, heritage, and ecological interdependence (Antonelli & Sini, 2024). Another example of such abuses of raw mineral supplies in a strictly transactional manner is the minerals agreement which the United States signed with Ukraine. This deal would see Ukraine give up it's mineral independence as a trade off for promises to continue certain protections the United States offers Ukraine, utilised to safeguard their independence in the face of Russian aggression. It is important to note that from what is known about this deal, it is not clear on what guarantees are offered to Ukraine and there is instead a reliance on the good will of the executive branch of the United States government. These kinds of agreements made under duress showcase that rich countries can still openly exploit particularly vulnerable countries and communities, and can therefore condition their access to necessary support by utilising colonial extractivism as a leverage.

Reason

With this amendment we aim to address the way the raw minerals deal between the United States and Ukraine was framed and leveraged as a trade off for crucial assistance.