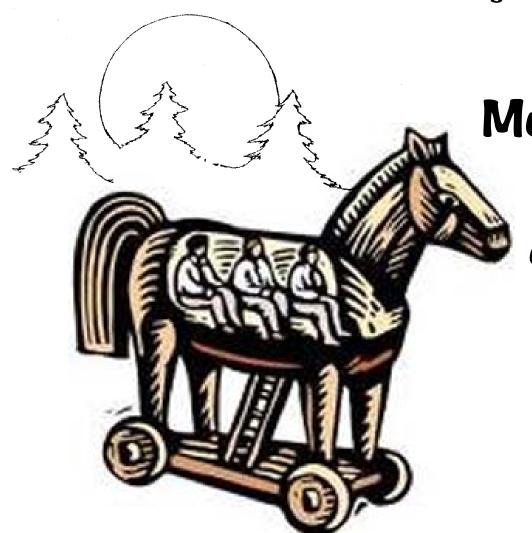
No to Pillaging and Pollution

PROTEST outside the Augyva shareholders meeting to denounce their supposed cleanup project on the former niobium mine site on Mohawk territory, which threatens the health, environment, and agriculture of Kanesatake and Oka.



Monday August 29th from 1:30 pm

1, Place Ville-Marie Corner University and René-Lévesque (Bonaventure or Peel metro)

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A Trojan Horse for Oka?

The struggle against the mining of niobium in Oka has taken a new turn. Two mining companies are now vying for this lucrative resource. The company Niocan has been trying for many years to obtain a permit to operate, and now Augyva Mining Resources is doing the same. But this time they have refined their methods. Augyva is using environmental language to break the resistance of the Mohawks and the citizens. Under the pretext of cleaning up the large quantities of mining waste left behind by St. Lawrence Columbium (SLC), which operated a niobium mine in Oka until 1976, Augyva is proposing the construction of a \$35 million plant that would operate for twenty years or more.

Investing \$35 million for 20 years and creating 10 to 250 jobs for a cleanup project??? The cleanup of the SLC site looks like a Trojan Horse-merely an underhanded way of gaining the support of the population and of the Mohawks to mine niobium. This was confirmed by a special media relations adviser from Augyvas peaking to a journal ist from a regional weekly paper [1].

The Mohawks and the citizens of Oka reject this ploy and continue to oppose the mining of niobium on their territory. Land claims are still an unresolved issue, and must be addressed before any resource extraction projects proceed in the region.

[1] L'Écho de Saint-Eustache, June 27 2011

No to a bogus cleanup! Yes to a BAPE on social acceptability! Land claims first!

Come tell the Augyva shareholders that their clean up project doesn't fool anyone.