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Respected Chairperson, NHRC,

Your kind attention is drawn to the enclosed material published by Survival for Tribal Peoples (Newsletter 41, 1999). We, at Naturhomist International, request your kind and immediate intervention in this crucial issue concerning the survival of the Jarawas of Andaman Islands.

The Jarawas must be allowed to decide their own future another way of life must not be imposed upon them. The Jarawa have rights to the ownership of their land. As a minimum, the Jarawa reserve must be restored to its original limits, the trunk road through their territory closed and all settlers and forest camps within this area relocated.

We request you to use your good offices to assure justice and survival to the Jarawas.

With respect and best wishes. Yours Sincerely

cc: His Excellency, the President of India.

Prime Minister of India.

Chief Justice of India.

Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment.

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