

## **Solidarity statement for the Peoples of the small Pacific islands**

We, La Via Campesina, the global movement of peasants, express our deep solidarity to the peoples of small island states in your struggle for climate and food justice.

The Pacific region bears the greatest impacts of the climate crisis and neoliberal capitalism as their islands face severe human-induced disasters.

We denounce imperialism and neo-colonial aid and trade that impose structural reforms on Pacific states, undermining self-determination, and sovereignty. We all drown in epidemics of non-communicable disease when our local food systems are flooded with corporatized cheap and unhealthy foods from liberalised trade.

We stand in solidarity with your struggles against global imperialist powers, your struggles for Indigenous rights, your labour migration struggles, your struggles for land, sky, and sea, and your struggles to feed your families.

La Via Campesina does not stand idle while your islands become inundated. Together we will continue fighting for food sovereignty, agroecology, and climate justice as the solutions to the multiple global crises we face.

To our brothers and sisters in Tonga, in Nauru, in Sāmoa, in Vanuatu, in Hawai'i, in Fiji, in Niue, in the Marshall Islands, in Kiribati, in Tuvalu, in Solomon Islands, in Palau, in French Polynesia, in Tokelau, in the Cook Islands, in New Caledonia, in Wallis and Futuna, in the Mariana Islands: Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota, in American Samoa, in Papua New Guinea, and in the Federated States of Micronesia, we stand in solidarity with you.

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