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Dirty Paradise

Schweizer, Daniel. *Dirty Paradise.* Zurich: Dschoint Ventschr Filmproduktion, 2009. 35 mm, 76 min. https://youtu.be/TD3K0jOPMCQ.

> Today an incredible sanitary and ecological disaster is taking place in the heart of the Amazonia in an overseas department of France, on the border between Surinam and French Guyana. *Dirty Paradise* shares the plight of a thousand Indians who are trying to survive the devastation caused by 10,000 illegal gold-seekers who hide in the forests. The gold fever has swept across the region and mercury contamination has created health problems. Unfortunately, the worst is yet to come. Dirty Paradise is the story of an Amerindian tribe which refuses to disappear silently or remain indifferent. (Source: Official Film Website)

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This film is available at the Rachel Carson Center Library (RCC, 4th floor, Leopoldstrasse 11a, 80802 Munich) for on-site viewing only. For more information, please contact library@rcc.lmu.de.

About the Environmental Film Profiles collection

Further readings:

- Fréry, N et al. "Gold-Mining Activities and Mercury Contamination of Native Amerindian Communities in French Guiana: Key Role of Fish in Dietary Uptake." *Environmental Health Perspectives* 109.5 (2001): 449–456.

Websites linked in this text:

- http://www.dschointventschr.ch/en/movies/documentaries/dirty-paradise
- http://www.carsoncenter.uni-muenchen.de/index.html
- https://www.environmentandsociety.org/mml/collection/9449?page=0%2C1