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## Complaints at the UN

After the Voltalia company began construction of the wind turbines in the habitat of the Lear's macaw (*Anodorhynchus leari*) in Bahia, northern Brazil, a complaint was filed with the "United Nations" by a group of 70 organisations involved with the protection of indigenous peoples and/or nature. For almost two years, Voltalia rejected all requests from biodiversity conservation organisations and local communities to move its project out of the habitat of the rare parrot. Since this did not lead to anything, all the organisations joined forces in a joint initiative and turned to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. They were supported in this by the multinational organisations "American Bird Conservancy" (ABC), WWF and "Re:wild". Meanwhile, the energy company has started installing 28 wind turbines in the Canudos region on an area of 55 hectares, without carrying out the necessary environmental impact studies. The construction of the power plants has already reduced or completely paralyzed the livelihoods of 600 local families who depend on agriculture and cattle breeding. The complaint to the UN calls for the relocation of the power plants outside the areas inhabited by the Lear Macaw, the same demand that the organizations published in an open letter in August 2021.

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