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A show-down between the West Papuan liberation movement and the Indonesian government is taking place in the Pacific. The liberation movement has applied for <u>full membership of the Melanesian Spearhead Group</u> (MSG) – and Indonesian diplomats are pulling out all the stops to halt them.

The people of the Pacific are preparing a wave of solidarity demonstrations to bolster the West Papuan efforts. But they need financial assistance. They have asked for £3,000 from international supporters for a mass demonstration outside the MSG HQ in Vanuatu.

## I'll help support the Pacific resistance

Indonesian diplomats are attempting to bully the MSG into rejecting West Papua's application. But we have something the Indonesian government doesn't: mass popular support across the Pacific. We need Pacific people power to overcome the backroom pressure of Indonesian officials.

A huge demonstration is being planned to coincide with the MSG summit in Vanuatu. To make it big enough to beat back the Indonesian offensive, activists in Vanuatu have asked for £3,000 for transport, banners, food, a PA system and more. You have a chance to be part of this international counter-offensive in defence of the West Papuan people.

## I'll chip in to the £3,000 demo fund

The Pacific is the beating heart of the West Papuan solidarity movement - but organisers there often lack resources. Those of us in the rest of the world can help support their work at this crucial moment.

With warmth and solidarity,

The Free West Papua Campaign

## Take more action:

- Ask your friends and family to sign up to the newsletter <u>here</u>.
- Write a letter about West Papua to your political representative <u>here</u>.
- Buy Free West Papua Campaign merchandise <u>here</u>.

Note: additional funds will support our additional support for the ULMWP's work at the MSG.

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