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Mill Valley Film Group teams up with Robert Redford to highlight environmental heroes

Synopsis - Global Focus VI - The New Environmentalists

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Narrated by Robert Redford, *Global Focus VI - The New Environmentalists* features portraits of seven passionate and dedicated activists. These are true environmental heroes who have placed themselves squarely in harm's way to battle intimidating adversaries, while others are creating partnerships with unlikely allies. Their goal: safeguarding the Earth's natural resources from shortsighted exploitation and unbridled pollution, while fighting for environmental justice in their communities. The stories feature:

Maria Gunnoe | USA - where a fifth generation Appalachian native put herself at risk by battling Mountaintop Removal coal mining that was destroying her family's valley.

Yuyun Ismawati | Indonesia - where a woman helped solve Bali's waste management crisis by organizing and training poor communities to start profitable recycling businesses.

Wanze Eduards & Hugo Jabini | Suriname - where two indigenous leaders organized their communities against logging on native lands, leading to a landmark ruling to control resource exploitation.

Rizwana Hasan | Bangladesh - where an environmental lawyer won a decisive victory against her country's powerful "ship breaking" industry for decades of ecological and worker abuse

Olga Speranskaya | Russia - where a scientist has created a massive educational network to help identify and eliminate the Soviet legacy of toxic chemicals in the environment.

Marc Ona | Gabon - where a crusader stood up to the government at the highest level to help save a majestic waterfall and rainforest from an iron mine.

'Global Focus VI' illustrates how ordinary people are affecting extraordinary change. The New Environmentalists employ a formidable array of weapons to

wage their battles. Picket signs, GPS devices, legal briefs, chemistry labs, the press, spirituality, traditional dance and sheer determination are among their many resources.

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