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### **Stop the Military Plans! Save Pagan Island! Save Pagan**

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## LETTER TO

U.S. Military

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## Petition Signers

The petition closed with 6,528 supporters.

When signing, petitioners were asked the question, "Why is this issue important to you?"

- "In Mariana Islands, land is scarce. Saving it means everything to the people. Please help me Stop the Military Plans! Save Pagan Island!" - Gus M. Kaipat, May 15, 2013
- "Pagan is my childhood home. Allowing the military to destroy this beautiful island and deprive the former residents and their descendants from ever returning home is unacceptable. Free Pagan from the Military. Return her to her people NOW!" - Cinta Kaipat, May 15, 2013
- "Because this is part of Northern Marianas Island.and It belongs to some of my families out there.keep pagan alive and leave it as it is.I ask this in a respectful way and peace.this Island is so beautiful.so please leave it as it is.thanks for your understanding." - 0, May 15, 2013
- "It's important to me for a lot of reasons; first of Ask yourself this question. What are the values of Chamorro and Carolinian? Our land and Pagan is part of us, our land where our ancestors came from, second value is our culture, Pagan has all the culture that our future generation will see and learn from it and the list can go on and on." - Angelina Fitial, May 15, 2013
- "Enough with FMD, Tinian, Marianas Trench and the other 2 precious islands way up north. Leave Pagan alone." - gus litulumar, May 15, 2013
- "Respect us all and leave Pagan Island.why not use the states? you got bigger Lands to do your thing." - Martin Nepaial, May 15, 2013
- "It is my families home island and my ancestors then." - alex mettao, May 15, 2013
- "We need ALL our Northern Islands protected. Are they not enough with one island that is left barren already?" - Victor Cabrera, May 15, 2013
- "No island should be a dumping ground." - Fedora Camacho, May 15, 2013
- "We need to protect what's ours and its natural beauty. For a country that so wants to preserve the natural resources yet wants to destroy an island, is unacceptable. As long as it's not within the 52 states of the U.S., then it does not matter." - dora taitingfong, May 15, 2013

- "If the U.S. wants to trial run their bombs, they should use their own territory!! Arizona has an abundance of deserts use those areas!!!!" - Celine Orsini, May 15, 2013
- "Land is at a premium in the Mariana Islands, and any desecration of the islands will further destroy their culture and the land where their ancestors came from. No to a military site!" - Pam Sypniewski, May 15, 2013
- "Haven't we destroyed enough of our natural environment, devastated enough of our wildlife. Leave this stunning island in peace. I'm sure there is somewhere else we can go to"practice" bombing and shooting at other people." - Kelly Peters, May 15, 2013
- "I fear this island could become another Kahoolawe and ask the question,"Why do we have to use live fire for training?" Surely our military can find a way to fire same weight blanks that are numbered to see how well their troops perform. Also, surely there are other places this could be done besides Pagan where we have such cultural and ecological richness." - Charlotte Vick, May 15, 2013
- "Our military should not be destroying other people's lands. if they must do this, do it in California or Better yet, Texas" - Richard Litvin, May 15, 2013
- "This land is cherished by my dear friend and her dear friends and the family of them all. Save this island from violence; save the Earth from violence." - Cherie Nick, May 15, 2013
- "The beauty of the Northern Islands and it does mean a lot to the people of the Northern Mariana Island and the future young children." - Bernard Taitano, May 15, 2013
- "IMPORTANT TO US N OUR FUTURE GENERATION.... - NGIRCHONGOR  
beongirchongor@gmail.com, May 15, 2013
- "It's unbelievable to me that the military needs to continue practicing how to drop munitions. You have drones now, practice on terrorists, not Pagan!" - Kiko Oliver, May 15, 2013
- "I have been to Pagan and it is such a great place. It is an island that should be available to everyone and not restricted due to military control." - F. Matthew Smith, May 15, 2013
- "First and foremost? Because I have complete distaste in strong arm tactics usually adopted by the federal government. Second? Because it violates the Covenant. Third? Because WE need to develop this island while keeping its natural beauty as it ought to remain! Fourth? IT IS OURS! The list goes on and not necessarily in either ascending or descending order." - Juanita Mendiola, May 16, 2013
- "Destruction is easy; construction is hard" - Nadine Harrach, May 16, 2013

- "The poor and few people of our small islands are falling prey to U.S.A. from the T.T times to becoming Commonwealth times. It's in their blood to deceive and take over. Know their history and you will know them well. What, United States of America is not big enough place for your training area? Leave Pagan alone!!!" - Alfred Teregeyo, May 16, 2013
- "I also have a home on Saipan and am Chamorro. I fought long and hard over three years to protect Pagan island from environmental damage from strip-mining. Pagan has a community that wants to move back home. It is also a treasure - the most beautiful place I've ever been. It's value as a home to the Pagan residents and as a homeland to the Chamorro people is far more important than the US Military's interest in finding a target for their practice bombs." - Pete Perez, May 16, 2013
- "Duh! Important to anyone that is concerned about our natural resources." - George Fiedler, May 16, 2013
- "Let's stop destroying pristine areas. Protect our planet and think of the next generation. We are lucky to be in such a beautiful place but we need to respect the needs of all other living species." - Pollyanna Fisher-Pool, May 16, 2013
- "It is unacceptable that the US military will devastate pristine land in order to train! Kaho'olawe in Hawaii is still suffering from military bombing decades ago. Do not continue this pattern on other islands please!" - mette erbs, May 16, 2013
- "because i was born in themarianas islands and that is my home." - Arthur Sanicolas, May 16, 2013
- "Because these islands are all that we have left to call ours in this world." - Alvin Aloysius Tagabuel, May 16, 2013
- "its home to families and friends." - jose saures, May 16, 2013
- "The United States should be protecting our environment, not destroying it. Come on Uncle Sam. Leave our beautiful, pristine Northern Islands alone." - Edwin Propst, May 16, 2013
- "I think that this is awful. I had no idea that this goes on, I guess like the article says"out of sight out of mind." What makes the US think that it is ok to just come in and take over? Maybe americans should look at putting more money into preserving eco systems and endagered species, than training warriors." - Shauna Sober, May 16, 2013
- "We have only so many pristine places left in this world and they should be protected rather than demolished. Just look at what live firing exercises did to Kahoolawe in Hawaii!" - Angela Woolliams, May 16, 2013

- "I am from Pagan and my family are from Pagan. I just cannot sit and watch my beautiful island taken away when even us as people from there are being deprived of going back. I just don't understand why the CNMI Government may want to entertain the military proposal when it hasn't even cleaned up it's own backyard. To say that the residents can't go back to live the way of life they know best and now for the military to just come in and destroy it is an injustice. If it is not safe for us residents to live there then what makes it safe for the military presence. Governor and Lt. Governor do the right thing! work with the military with what they got already Tinian, Farallon and portion of Tanapag Saipan and build on that. Let's stop giving our islands away in an easy fashion just so that a few deficits could be resolved at an instant manner. Do the right thing!" - Jerome Aldan, May 16, 2013
- "It's important to my friends who live in this area!" - Jo Manning, May 16, 2013
- "why?...cause it's unquestionable to not care for peoples hardship, and growth of the island meaning the peoples safety, peoples worries of contamination to air, water, land, sea...and mostly animals...what i think to all this is what you might have think is right but deeply it isn't cause us northern island people are well standed to fight for what we have build since way back and we are not gona stop till it ends...cause you guys might say that you went to all the procedures of safety reasons for pagan and other islands but what really is the main idea for all this inhabitants of explosive materials....of radiations!!!!!!!!!!!!" - jenny santos, May 16, 2013
- "Pagan was made for the indigenous people. Do not take their pride and joy away. Who signed and what agreement was made that gave Pagan Island to the military? God gave us the Indigenous people the stewardship of Pagan Island, so get your "Pitchfork" ready and stand strong! Mr. Someone told me the other day that since we became Americans we have lost our rights to our islands and we are owned. I am happy to be an American but I am forever proud I am 1st a Chamorro. Leave Pagan to the Indigenous People!!" - Susana Blas-DeLeonGuerrero, May 16, 2013
- "Let's keep our planet beautiful - especially remote barely touched places - why ruin such beauty to test the atrocities of war??" - Kristen Harley, May 16, 2013
- "Pagan Island is beautiful; let's leave it that way." - James Freund, May 16, 2013
- "doesn't seem right to destroy nature" - angela guy, May 16, 2013
- "iam againts the use of pagan for military..my family are from there..and i lived there and hoping to return..." - steven lee, May 16, 2013



- "My husband and I served in the Peace Corps as teachers on this island. It is beautiful and does not deserve to be an ammunition target." - Cindy Burrell, May 16, 2013
- "Not many people know of the island of Saipan where I was born. You can't find another island like it. I've never been to Pagan, but I believe that it is just as unique and should be cherished." - Janene King-Sablan, May 16, 2013
- "CONSERVATION" - Bonnie Young, May 17, 2013
- "It is unfair to the people of the Mariana Islands..this is their home" - Nancy Rego, May 17, 2013
- "The Pacific Islands are home to some of the most diverse flora and fauna on the planet. Sadly, it is among the most threatened. Allowing this to happen will be a tragedy and crime against the animals with which we share the planet." - Kenneth Hayes, May 17, 2013
- "From artillery to bombing on Pagan Island will kill or wipe out the biological and geological diversity of Micronesians' threatened and endangered species which can not be found anywhere in the world. Help save our Future Generations of Pagan for today and tomorrow kids!!!" - Iakop Ioanis, May 17, 2013
- "I trained on Saipan Island in 1970 for Peace Corps and later worked for the U.S. Federal Government and for a short while Saipan was my duty station...I had the chance to visit the Island and it would be such a tragic loss to the people of the Marianas Islands. There is much culture and history embedded in that land...it should remain available in all its quiet beauty for the generations to come." - John Kelly, May 17, 2013
- "Use some other Island already wasted." - Gary Wuchner, May 17, 2013
- "This island is a place where I have grown to love. It was the home of my late grandparents whom could not fulfill their wish of returning before their death. I pretty much grew up there and I am currently a residing resident on Pagan. The island has enough scars of war and does not need anymore. I strongly stand against said plans, I understand military need to train to better themselves, be mission ready, and continue to protect our freedom, but the people of Northern Islands have been displaced for far too long and have lost enough islands." - Daniel Kaipat, May 17, 2013
- "jst coz derr" - Irene Funkugub, May 17, 2013
- "I see no reason for the islands north of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota to be put to such use. They should continue to be preserved and protected." - Edward Hofschneider, May 17, 2013
- "I'm from the nmi" - Marce King, May 17, 2013

- "Military playgrounds are always devastating for nature and useless." - Andreas Fröbius, May 17, 2013
- "The indigenous people of Gani Islands (real name for the N. Islands) deserve to be given the first priority for resettlement and redevelopment for sustainable living on their ancestral land." - lee torres, May 17, 2013
- "This is extremely important because the military and U.S. government ruined kaho'olawe, don't want to clean it up and now they are going to ruin another amazing island to train. This is absurd!" - John Fitzpatrick, May 17, 2013
- "Natives wanted to resettle the islands where they called home." - Cynthia Taitano-Saures, May 17, 2013
- "It is important to me to preserve biodiversity and wild places." - John Zardus, May 17, 2013
- "What do you think?, we don't want to turn like Guam.. It's our future." - Gabriel Manglona, May 17, 2013
- "To help save the endangered species living on the island." - Sheera Cruz, May 17, 2013
- "What will we have for our children and thier children? Just stories? It's not right and it's not fair!!! Please don't destroy where our ancestors once were and not to mention the wild life and the beauty to create"test sites"" - Donna Gonzalez , May 17, 2013
- "PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE CNMI." - DAVID ATALIG, May 17, 2013
- "This is important because this place is one of the only remaining instruments left, that we have to be connected to our Chamorro ancestors, our history, and further, our identity. We have lost much of our culture because of imperialism. Thankful as we are for the rights we are given, even through all the hardships of imperialism, it is extremely saddening that much of our language and culture has been lost due to outsiders taking over. It is imperative that this island stays the way it is, and that it is always protected from colonialism." - Tatiana Perez, May 17, 2013
- "The EIS done for the MIRC made it very clear that there are things on and around Pagan that are unique in the Marianas, and even unique on the planet. Pagan has the potential to help sustain the CNMI and the Chamorro people in the future, and we owe it to future generations not to hand it over for destruction." - Therese Terlaje, May 17, 2013
- "The environment and indigenous cultures of the Pacific are priceless and will continue to be a resource for generations to come. Military spending is short term, destructive and only benefits the few. Save Pagan!" - Christine Lipat, May 17, 2013

- "My wife is chamorro and we have seen enough ecological destruction due to US military on Guam. Coral reefs on Guam used to be stunning 20 years ago, but now they are completely devastated. This has to stop, do not let US military invade and destroy another ecological jewel. Save beautiful Pagan. Every signature count." - Xavier Pochon, May 17, 2013
- "This is part of my home! This is still one of the purest islands in the Northern Marianas chain of islands! It should remain one with nature, you have no right to use it and abuse it (US Military)" - Charlyn Techur, May 17, 2013
- "This is our Island!" - James Guerrero, May 17, 2013
- "As a citizen of the State of Hawai'i, I am mindful of the devastation wrought by the US military's use of Kaho'olawe for live fire training. Do not make the same mistake. Pagan Island is sacred to the Chamorro people and precious to the citizens of the Marianas. The U.S. should not use others' land, especially where land is so scarce and so pristine, in this destructive way." - Linda Krieger, May 17, 2013
- "Is it not enough that the Chamorro people are already sacrificial lambs of the Pacific? What have we done to deserve all this destruction to our islands and culture?" - Bernard Punzalan, May 17, 2013
- "Live fire exercises have no place in the Marianas (including live bombing on FDM). Makes no logical sense for the military to destroy a beautiful island. Imagine the thriving, rich underwater environment that will also be destroyed in the process. Although there is never a right time for "live fire" exercises in the Marianas, the current plans come at an extremely bad time. Our tourism industry is on the upswing and the Northern Islands hold great potential for Ecotourism related activities. Any "live fire" exercises on any island in the Marianas could also effect commercial airline activity. Imagine how much effort has gone into promoting the CNMI and asking airlines to fly to the CNMI and now that airline companies have committed we will have to go back to them and apologize and ask them to work around "live fire" exercises or even cancel flights. Makes no logical sense." - William Hunter, May 17, 2013
- "Because pagan is part of our home, the marianas" - victor torres, May 17, 2013
- "I'm born and was raised in Guam. I love my islands dearly." - Aileen Bivens, May 17, 2013
- "I have family there, and if they use Pagan, where would they go?" - Audrea Blas, May 17, 2013
- "Save Pagan from exploitation and contamination due to more militarization of our islands. Keep our pacific free of war and nuclear arms" - Jessica Nangauta, May 17, 2013

- "Why Pagan island? It has so much to offer with it's biological diversity and cultural history. Thou I am against the destruction of any land mass just for the purpose of some target practice, I do understand the military needs to practice some where. Why couldn't they pick some place with a lot less beauty and diversity?" - clyde watarai, May 17, 2013
- "Because they already ruined our island of guam. Everywhere they go becomes infected and destroyed" - Wolford James quintanilla, May 17, 2013
- "Enough is enough. We don't need any more military muscle flexing. In this region especially where tensions can run high. Think of the planet for once..." - Mark Thorpe, May 17, 2013
- "The US military doesn't need another beautiful island to destroy. It needs reform instead. They need to destroy that part of themselves that is the greatest threat to what they claim to protect instead." - George Lujan, May 17, 2013
- "Pagan Island can be described" - 0, May 17, 2013
- "Pagan is a place that deserves to stay natural for seafaring natives and the local people of Guam and C.N.M.I. especially the Chamorro people. Pagan needs to stay free from military influence do to the environmentally un-conscience, wasteful, unsanitary, dishonest, and unnecessary exploitation of a location that military and imperialistic and democratic countries force upon small population distributions such as Guam where over 1/3 of the land of Guam has been already taken for military use." - Robert Alexander, May 18, 2013
- "We have seen what they did to Kaho'olawe, sacred navigation island of Hawai'i (devastation!) & what they are doing to Muana Kea at Pohakuloa"bombing range". The US Military can not be trusted with wild areas! Period." - BZ Burnbridge, May 18, 2013
- "Because its just not right for the military to do such a thing." - Vernon-Lee Manglona, May 18, 2013
- "I was born and raised in the Hawaiian Islands. I have been to Kaho'olawe and seen first hand the total destruction of that island from live fire training done there by the U.S. military. This must not happen again! It's absolutely crazy that something like this is even being considered!" - Seana Walsh, May 18, 2013
- "CNMI" - Charles Manglona, May 18, 2013
- "it's important to me because it's part of my Island sister heart. this land is beautiful & all natural beauty with lot's of different plants & Wild Life. especially with our nature so called coconut crab, fruit bat & beautiful for future tourist attraction. I don't know why the military is not establishing their destruction else where like for example Goat Island (Faralon Demendemila)" - Cecile O. Blas-Taimanao, May 18, 2013

- "I'm tired of losing so much of our history and culture because of leaders who are only worrying about their own money. We've lost so much already for such a small group of people. The US has so much bombing areas already. Why destroy more homes of others?" - LUIS MANGLONA, May 18, 2013
- "Lots of people I know used to call Pagan home, and I too would love to one day visit Pagan and see for myself the natural beauty of that island. I would like my children to have the chance to see it too one day." - Maria Manahane, May 18, 2013
- "because it is my home" - matthew concepcion, May 18, 2013
- "I am against environmental atrocities!" - Lauren Chou, May 18, 2013
- "The South Pacific has already endured our unnecessary habit of conventional warfare practice and toxic waste dumping. Ancient cultures, beautiful earth and seascapes, and agent orange just don't mix and are a discredit to the human spirit." - Daniel Williams, May 18, 2013
- "Porque hay que preservar el Planeta en cada uno de sus rincones." - Alexis López Tapia, May 18, 2013
- "why? EEUU does not occupy the locations of Israel, in that place no matter what the species is destroyed .. which means that once again attack these people leaderless nature!!!!!!" - Sonia Castillo, May 18, 2013
- "It's important preserve the nature" - Alvaro Henriquez, May 18, 2013
- "I have good friends and family from the island. Its there home, and they don't these activities there any longer." - Bobby Rawlings II, May 18, 2013
- "Go fire train somewhere ugly, stop ruining the beauty we still have left." - Mario Martinez, May 18, 2013
- "We must protect our sacred island of Pagan!" - Eva Cruz, May 19, 2013
- "So dumb. There are plenty of spaces in America that are nearly deserted with few animals lurking about. Instead of butting in to yet another culture that doesn't want us there, how about we just use our own land?" - Kaitlin Magee, May 19, 2013
- "Let's not have another Kaho?olawe, an island in Hawaii rendered uninhabitable and very difficult to restore." - Russ Wells, May 19, 2013
- "Stop destroying nature's havens!" - Kristin Newton, May 20, 2013
- "A prominent attorney on island once said,"To us non-indigenous, land is just a commodity, but to the indigenous people, land is their heritage". I understand the need for military

enhancement for global security. But does it have to be at the expense of the natives of Pagan or the CNMI as a whole? Pagan is betrothed to the People of Pagan, and the U.S Military should just continue to look elsewhere." - Jimmy Sablan, May 20, 2013

- "Any harm to the environment, harms our home." - Elizabeth Furey, May 20, 2013
- "This is my home." - Ana Tenorio, May 20, 2013
- "The ocean is the life blood of this planet. We have destroyed enough of these pristine islands. Wasn't WWII in the Pacific enough?" - Greg Carter, May 20, 2013
- "Cultural and Ecological importance" - Ryan Camacho, May 20, 2013
- "We should be reducing the size and scope of our military while promoting biodiversity. This proposal would be extremely harmful and disrespectful to any and all inhabitants of the island." - Jordan Solomonic, May 20, 2013
- "I am a native to Hawai'i. I ask the US Military to humble themselves. To think first for the eco-system because it's too precious. To also think first for the native people of the Islands. Including our lands and Islands that goes back to our Ancestors. Do not forget the damage the US Military has done thru out history and continues today thru out the Pacific Islands. Just imagine what your military training will greatly ruin." - momilani thomas, May 20, 2013
- "Stop all wars, it is time to convert military budgets to peaceful purposes." - Rene Garipey, May 20, 2013
- "Question? Why does the United States of America need Kaneohe, Hawaii? What? For target practice? For reason(s) that address the immediate & future demands for military plan(s)?? What?? The U.S. say "To defend & protect citizens & foreign allegiance w/the U.S.A." Why will they not work on preserving families...not destroying families. Military plans from out of the United States, expressing constant demand for Hawaiian island military use has gone too far. STOP!! Back OFF U.S.A.!!! BACK OFF from your future plans. YOU'RE ONLY INVITING MORE TOXIC NEED TO TARGET HAWAII!! STOP now...please!!!" - MaryAnn Faitau, May 20, 2013
- "Environmentally. There are plenty of places in the desert that can be used where they can use for training. Why destroy and island that has rare animal and plant life. Haven't we done enough of that in the Amazon." - Dawn Gray Giani, May 21, 2013
- "My roots of human existance....." - Dave Salas, May 21, 2013
- "My mother's side comes from Guam. While we cannot afford the cost of visiting often I have on one occasion and been to the islands and I can say with much confidence that is was life-

changing. So many animals and plants. Please dont destroy this place just to test things that hurt more life!" - Henry Duclos, May 21, 2013

- "I had had the extraordinary opportunity to visit the island of Pagan many years ago. It is one of the most beautiful places in the world and it would be tragic to have it turned into a military dumping ground." - leslie beck, May 22, 2013
- "I am Chamorro. Pagan island is virtually untouched by Western Man. To use it as a firing range or training ground for War is not a purpose I approve of." - James Gaminde, May 22, 2013
- "There are so many endangered species there. Plant and animal. We cannot keep destroying the earth. We DO have to live here." - Annette Collins, May 22, 2013
- "It is time to start preserving these Pacific islands and the Cultures that were established there long ago." - Maggie Curtin, May 22, 2013
- "Want to protect my heritage." - Anita Dobbins, May 23, 2013
- "Not another Kahoolawe; Learning to Live more important than Killing with Accuracy" - Kersten Johnson, May 23, 2013
- "Nature needs to be protected not destroyed.!" - Robert Grzesik, May 23, 2013
- "My Home should never be mistreated especially by outsiders. Respect" - Richard Ogumoro, May 24, 2013
- "To preserve the natural and cultural beauties of pagan.I understand that not many have visited the island and don't care for it but I wouldn't want any island being destroyed. The northern islands are like our secret treasure and I don't want anyone to take it away" - Henry HOFSCHEIDER, May 24, 2013
- "Pagan's beauty has been here even before my ancestor's time. Why should it be destroyed within one's lifetime?" - Joel Flores, May 24, 2013
- "This is an important resource for biological conservation and should be protected." - Dan Barshis, May 25, 2013
- "Preservation for the Island" - John Hernandez, May 26, 2013
- "First of all , think about the people of the CNMI before thinking of money. I am only 16 years old. I love my home. My language and my culture means the utmost importance to me. Its enough that our way of life is slowly fading, What happens to the future generations when already the present generations like myself is struggling to sustain our intellectual and moral faculties. Pagan Island is sacred just like any of the northern marianas islands; it

homes beautiful living things-- turning it into a training ground will destroy everything the chamorro/carolinian people hold dearly. Just thinkg about giving one of our beautiful islands that contains our important historical values will take away all the knowledge we have to keep our culture continuing from ceasing. Destroying life on Pagan by turning it into a military field will destroy the heart of the people. We have laws that preserves wildlife and endangered species, and that law has been passed. Pagan and the rest of the islands in the CNMI should be left alone and be protected, not turned into training ground!" - Mary Grace Atalig, May 27, 2013

- "It is inexcusable to allow the destruction, regardless of what representatives from the military promise or say, of Pagan. What's worse is proposing the use of Pagan for military purpose in exchange for money. No money can ever replace the cultural significance or natural beauty that has been enjoyed for thousands of years. They claim they will not destroy but look to Hawai'i, FDM, Vieques, Diego Garcia, Marshall Islands and so on." - Lynyrd Puyat, May 27, 2013
- "As a born and raised Chamorro from the CNMI, I refuse to allow the exploitation of culturally sacred and environmentally invaluable land for the sake of training to end life. The U.S. is exponentially larger than this island; I'm pretty sure they can use their own land. I hear the local Chihuahuan Desert is perfect - empty and barren as the U.S. consideration of Chamorro land." - Aldrin Evangelista, May 27, 2013
- "You can't undo this once it's destroyed. It is also completely unfair to the indigenous people and their history." - Kathleen Caine, May 28, 2013
- "This action will destroy this magnificent island; once gone, it won't be restored." - Cecilia Quick, May 28, 2013
- "My best friend is from Guam, and presented the facts of this cause to me. After reviewing it for merit, I agree, and have decided to endorse it." - Ronald Gilbert, May 28, 2013
- "we need it for our future generations.,,it is a treasure to us...we need to guard it!!" - kiperly aiken, May 28, 2013
- "My ancestors came from the Northern Mariana Islands. I do not want to see this beautiful island destroyed." - Stephanie Roberts, May 28, 2013
- "save it for our future children to use for eco friendly tourist attraction" - keli tenorio, May 28, 2013
- "Pagan is my grandparents' home!" - Lupe Kaipat, May 29, 2013



- "Signing this petition is important to me because my family is from the Northern Islands. My great grandmother was buried on the island of Pagan as well as my grand mothers sisters. My grandmother was forced to move to Saipan during WWII and was never able to return. I also lived on Pagan last year(2012) and fell in love with not only the land but the waters and animals as well. I know for a fact that there are endangered species that live in the waters and land of Pagan. Shouldn't we be protecting our environment? How will we be able to preserve our environment when the military is trying to destroy it? Our environment will be at great risk if this proposal is approved. One day I hope to bring my children to Pagan and show them where our family is from as well as the history that sits all over the island. I want my kids to learn and enjoy the history that I was able to experience. Pagan is a place I can now call home. If we the people were to lose our island, we would all be heart broken and there will be no hope for our future in the Northern Islands. I am 100% against the military proposal. Many residents wish to return to Pagan. Please don't take away that opportunity from us. Give us our land that is rightfully ours and protect our environment." - Rica Concepcion, May 29, 2013
- "Don't allow this island jewel to be destroyed and ruined by the military." - Jenna Sablan Hall , May 29, 2013
- "Leave it alone for its home sweet home" - Vince Kaipat, May 29, 2013
- "It's a special place. I've been there several times and it is ,in fact, a jewel of an island." - Brian McMahon, May 29, 2013
- "As a former Marine Corps infantry man, I know first hand the damage that will come to this beautiful island." - derrick aughenbaugh, May 29, 2013
- "oh my gosh, she is a beauty! do we want to let them destroy it? Hell no! Culture is a value that is unique and should be passed down to our generation, so let this beautiful island alone-Save Pagan!" - kimberly tebuteb, May 30, 2013
- "To destroy mother nature is against my common instinct. There is not much left on this earth. Help keep some for our children." - Gisela Guile, May 30, 2013
- "Because pangan island is part of our ancestors." - julia nekaifes, May 30, 2013
- "BECAUSE, THE U.S. DON'T GIVE RESPECT TO OUR ISLANDS, OUR CULTURE, OUR LANDMARK, OUR CHILDREN AND THEIR CHILDREN'S FUTURE. THEY WENT TO WAR IN IRAQ AND THEY GIVE RESPECT TO THE IRAQIS ANCIENT AND HISTORICAL LANDMARK WHICH INCLUDES THE WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN AND OTHER HUMANITARIAN

ISSUES. THE U.S. SHOULD SIMPLY FIND AN ALTERNATIVE PLACE TO CONDUCT THEIR NATIONAL INTEREST WHERE IT DON'T INTERFERE WITH OUR SMALL ISLAND WAYS." - EDWARD DUENAS, May 30, 2013

- "Guam and the associated Islands are a 2nd home to my Wife and I. As well, we are blessed to have so many 2nd Families there. The military mission is very important and should not be diminished Perhaps an alternate location can be found..... How about North Korea! Land and culture there and all over the Northern Marianas is a very limited resource!" - Mark Brown, May 30, 2013
- "The use of this island is an abuse of power. It is, quite simply, not right." - Miles Perez, May 30, 2013
- "This is important to me because I am an islander; born and raised island style. The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is my home, for me my families and friends. Every island is precious to us, which is why it broke our hearts to hear that the Military damaged Farallon de Mendinilla beyond repair. Now the military wants to destroy Pagan? UNACCEPTABLE! North America is a big continent surely they must have large mass of land that is not inhabitant of humans. Why can't they do that instead of using our islands. Find a better way Unku Sam our islands is not your solution to your problems." - Lee Robin Kaipat, May 30, 2013
- "It is being preserved for our future generations. Pagan will provide tourism jobs, fishes, meat, vegetables and fruits and is certainly able to feed and provide jobs for the future populations of the CNMI." - Gerhard Sword, May 30, 2013
- "That goes for our CNMI Government just stop already, just stop finding ways to get solutions that continues to make us suffer. Pagan is not the answer, just because your casino plan is going down does not mean you have to take Pagan down with it." - Lee Robin Kaipat, May 30, 2013
- "These islands took millions and millions of years to form and with man made weapons it can easily take them away in matter of minutes. My bloodline started out from the island of Agrihan and my grandparents made it their home. My father was born on Agrihan but was raised in Pagan, where he made it his home. I want to join the cause to stop this foolish military plan, if it were the other way around I guarantee they would do the same on trying to stop us from destroying their home. The military took FDM, parts of Tinian and Saipan and now they want Pagan? This is downright unfair! North America is like what?...A HUGE

continent compare to us, we are but a speck...surely they can find a large mass of land to do their military practices. STOP UNKU SAM JUST STOP!!! Go find another solution because our islands is not one of them.

- "In a time of budgetary cuts, it is completely unnecessary to spend money to destroy a beautiful island that is very important to its original inhabitants. It would be shameful for the United States to do this." - John Sloan, May 31, 2013
- "The unique culture of the Mariana islands is very valuable. To damage this community would do a great disservice to human culture" - William Caine, May 31, 2013
- "Pagan is apart of our beautiful island chain in the Marianas, it does not need to be bothered by any military use" - 1, May 31, 2013
- "As a Chamorro I cannot allow this to happen without making a contribution. A lot has happend to the Pacific Islands for strategic reasons. We cannot allow this to happen without a fight." - Antonia Fajardo-Williams, May 31, 2013
- "Why because 2013,now is the Time for to being harmony not for war ! We need progress in this way, or Earth will be end for our human life. that is why we bettor stop it ! in whole world." - KImori Tatsuhiko, June 01, 2013
- "We need water. We need mountain. We need plants. We need air. We need good soil. We need natural food. We need people. We can't make them!! We can't live without these loves. We are living in this nature. ??????????????????" - ?? ??, June 01, 2013
- "Hu tatiyi mas ke dies anos i bidan niha imilitat guine gi un tano giya Hawaii...ya kada humuyog asunto gi gasetta...puro ha malabida, ni cuancto na asiguracion ginen i militat na esta gasgas yan safo i lugat para i natibu ... despues de manasetbe , ...guaha discuiedo yan ti mansinero ...gi para i linalala i natibo gi bandan hinemlo,, aire yan halom tano....pot este na rason ya otro siha muna MUNGA hit nu i taotao natibu sumedo, pumitmete yan numae licencia i militat para u usa iya Pagan." - chris inos, June 02, 2013
- "Why destroy a geologically diverse island and wipe out the animals as well. How about unihabitable islands instead. Remember how Bikini island was screwed up?" - Kim Griffiths, June 03, 2013
- "I am a direct descendant of the first settlers of the Mariana Islands, Pagan island included. We, the islanders, made the Marianas our permanent homeland. It has sustained us for over 3,000 years. Show some respect. How would you feel if your neighbor came over and raped your teenage daughter in front of you, repeatedly?" - tony cabrera, June 04, 2013

- "These Islands gave life to my families from long ago till present." - anna saures, June 05, 2013
- "Pagan is rich in culture, history, economic, has perfect environment, beautiful in nature not for contamination and destruction" - Herman B. Cabrera, June 06, 2013
- "Saipan MP. 96950" - Johanna Camacho, June 06, 2013
- "The US military has one of the worst records of environmental destruction. Pearl Harbor was once the food basket of Oʻahu, but is now a toxic superfund site with more than 748 contaminated sites. Kahoʻolawe, Makua, Lihūʻe, Waikane, Heʻeia, Waikoloa, Pohakuloa, etc. are some of the areas that have been contaminated with unexploded ordnance. Annually, US military training areas are among the top five sites for lead pollution. The military must not be allowed to destroy Tinian or Pagan! Solidarity from Hawaiʻi!" - Kyle Kajhiro, June 06, 2013
- "US's callous treatment Native lands and ecological biodiversity is not to be tolerated." - Ignacio Barcinas, June 06, 2013
- "Destruction Nature is self destruction" - Mudasar Aizaz, June 06, 2013
- "The US can poison their own country if they wish BUT NOT OTHER COUNTRIES WHERE THEY ARE NOT WANTED! Many people are angry. NZ activists are working hard to have US spy bases kicked out. We will get them out sooner or later." - Barney Richards, June 06, 2013
- "I have so much respect for the Military and what they do (don't get me wrong)BUT, as an islander I feel that it is wrong for them to use the place as a training target. For one, it is a beautiful island with so much life in it and for the other it is home for many islanders. If it were to be destroyed it'll be like taking our heart and slicing a big piece away...So, what I'm basically saying is SAVE Pagan and NO to Military use....." - Maggie Taman, June 06, 2013
- "Need to SAVE or HERITAGE...KEEP OUR Lands the way they were meant to be..." - Sally Swanson, June 06, 2013
- "the CNMI are my peeps!" - Dean Lloyd, June 06, 2013
- "I spent 12 days on Pagan Island in 2010 and found it to be spectacularly beautiful and a reservoir of unique birds, tree snails, plants and other animals. Two thousand Marines firing all manner of cannons, guns, and bombs from land, air and sea will certainly destroy most of this beauty and biological uniqueness. It is also a cultural home to many people who value

Pagan Island greatly. Their rights to a homeland must be respected." - Michael Hadfield, June 06, 2013

- "we already spend too much on a excessively large military in order to struggle to maintain an unsustainable colonial empire. It would be much cheaper to use money wasted on these armaments to pay for us infrastructure, education, health care, scientific advances, etc." - David HAFNER, June 06, 2013
- "The US military must stop bombing beautiful islands! We finally stopped the US bombing of the Hawaiian island of Kahoolawe and the Puerto Rican island of Vieques. Don't even think about bombing Pagan!" - Ann Wright, June 06, 2013
- "Esta meggai tano'-na i militat guini gi isla-ta siha. Sa' hafa pa'go ma kekehakot este na sen gefpago na pidasu?" - Michael Lujan Bevacqua, June 06, 2013
- "The U.S. has all the land necessary to be battle ready. There is no need to destroy another island because the previous one is boring. I am not Chamorro or Carolinian, but I do understand their part in saying that we should preserve what still have left. In times of "peace" why are we preparing of war?" - Yoshi Yagi, June 06, 2013
- "Destruction of nature is self destruction" - Adil Ali, June 06, 2013
- "Pagan is where my family lived, it was my mothers home, please leave it alone, so that our future generation could see what a beautiful place it is and where our family grew up." - Rita Omar, June 06, 2013
- "There are few places in the world that haven't been intentionally screwed up by civilization. It's unconscionable." - Ronald Rodriguez, June 07, 2013
- "Because the earth needs to heal and we are already doing so much damage to it. Bombing it and shooting at it testing weapons etc.. is not a good idea." - Reid Isaki, June 07, 2013
- "I live on an island, Oahu, which has already been bombed and occupied. The U.S. (or any country!) has no right to bomb an island for 'practice'. Bomb your own homeland & neighborhoods." - Ramona Hussey, June 07, 2013
- "Why does our military feel the need to destroy the most beautiful places on the planet? And to disrespect local sovereignty and rights??" - Sarah McKibben, June 07, 2013
- "Various reasons. All people, of any culture, value the harmonious relationship to their lands and languages over the creation of atomic atrocities by men." - Ray Tebuteb, June 07, 2013

- "Why don't you go bomb Washington, D.C. You like bombing other places and ignore the Indigenous Peoples that live there. Is it because you think that they are less than human, less than you. I don't think so. Or, why not bomb your home state, they are indigenous to that State. Ignore them like you are not ignoring Pagan Island Indigenous Peoples." - Thomas Ah Yee, June 07, 2013
- "Let her live... There is no reason for another island to die." - Lonnie Fread, June 07, 2013
- "It's like Bikini Atoll all over again...no respect for the land and its inhabitants." - Bob Odell, June 07, 2013
- "Home" - Debbie Purcell, June 07, 2013
- "Leave Pagan alone! The governor of Texas, who loves guns & bombs, has millions of acres he could offer the US military for their stupid war games." - Mitchell Hagerstrom, June 07, 2013
- "Do not destroy this island! Destruction for live-fire training is an outrageous decision by the US Military. I lived in Micronesia, the wanton destruction of any of the islands or atolls as fodder for target practice must STOP." - Anastasia Hagerstrom, June 07, 2013
- "We just need to stop destroying and start protecting our world." - Elaine Mayes, June 07, 2013
- "Did we learn nothing from the Bikini Atoll atrocity?! Stop being stupid and do the right thing....protect all of earth's landscapes....do not destroy any sliver of her!! Stop the madness of the US military wasting yet another chance at redemption for these people and their heritage." - Susan Petersen, June 07, 2013
- "Because it's wrong to destroy Mother Earth. Creatures are living too. How would you feel if the military wanted to destroy a part of your history and culture?" - Gina Pal, June 07, 2013
- "God gave this jewel of an island to the people of the Marianas, not as a place to be damaged or compromised." - Jesse Perez, June 08, 2013
- "I don't want Pagan to be destroyed from live firing training and aerial bombings. Farallon de Medinilla is enough!" - Duane Torres, June 08, 2013
- "This beautiful island should not be desecrated by weaponry. To use it for weapons practice is an unthinkable stupid idea." - Russ Mason, June 08, 2013
- "No need to destroy a beautiful island and many other locations would host the trainings" - Raymond Austin, June 08, 2013

- "Places of unique beauty are rare these days. Let's leave them as nature intended" - Alan Stanford, June 08, 2013
- "Enough displacement of islanders .. enough destruction .." - Jimmy Gaudin, June 09, 2013
- "I am Chamorro. If we can't preserve our island of Guahan. We must preserve Pagan, as a symbol that our ancient people still live in the hearts of Chamorros everywhere. We need to keep it off limits so that our cultural heritage still remains. So people will know that the Chamorro people were here." - Cary Salas, June 10, 2013
- "Chamoru islands belong to the Chamoru people." - Mikhael Phelps, June 10, 2013
- "Because, my grandparents, my father and his siblings grew up in Pagan, farmed in Pagan, used it as a refuge during WWII and collected Sasaki eggs on the cliff sides on the island. The island of Pagan, carries many fond memories of stories told by my Grandmother, father and all my uncles and aunt. The coral reefs surrounding the island has an abundance of marine life and will definitely have a major environmental impact to the wildlife on land and at sea. The wildlife will be destroyed with bomb ordinance and ship to shore artillery fire. The military should practice precision bombing, targeting and artillery fire using battle simulation systems, then deploy to Hawaii or to Palm Spring California, Ft. Erwin, Ca. For their live fire exercise on a semi-annual basis to maintain their proficiency. Why can't the Marines, Naval Gunfire crews, and Air fleet not deploy to the Big Island of Hawaii for this exercise? If there was to be a war, the troops will deploy away from the island of Guam, as it will be in Areas Unstable in another continent. I suggest that the Artillery crews, ship to shore fire use flammable training aids and drones for the air fleet for target practice way out in the ocean away from the islands. The military has taken so much and has given very little in return to the Pacific islanders.....Mr President, stand up and be accounted for! The CNMI is so small, the indigenous people have very little left on what we can call home! How much of our souls does America want to take from the CNMI... SO on and Daughter of the Marianas.....SADOM.....stand Up!" - Antonio Taitano DeLeon Guerrero, June 10, 2013
- "Chamorro people still exist." - Jennifer Ho, June 10, 2013
- "The future of my daughter and other Chamoru children is being destroyed." - Lindsay Williams, June 11, 2013
- "I am from Guam. These are neighbors. Whatever happens in this region affects every Islander. It's devastating that there are people in the world that disregard the lives of others to pursue their own interests. I thought that this country was all about freedom and justice

for all peoples. Our husbands, sons, and fathers have died for freedom yet the military would infringe on the freedoms of the inhabitants of a small island, their home." - Jeanene Phelps, June 12, 2013

- "Biba Marianas" - John Torres, June 12, 2013
- "As a native Hawaiian, I have seen the devastation from the bombings on Kaho'olawe firsthand. Please do not make the same mistake again." - Malina Koani, June 12, 2013
- "Stop American imperialism! Killing the beauty of the Pacific" - Natasha Saelua, June 12, 2013
- "I'm indigenous Chamorro and it is my duty to protect my ancestral homeland from further destruction, desecration and colonization." - Christopher Santos, June 12, 2013
- "because it is a horrible mistake and I refuse to approve it--ever." - Roger Marble, June 13, 2013
- "Pagan is part of my home islands of Mariana. It is important to protect our islands from colonial exploitation." - Ramon Castro, Jr., June 13, 2013
- "I am a native Chamoru, Pagan should be preserved to its natural environment. The military can do their training via computer simulations. Using explosive ordinance is a waste of tax payer dollars. If anything, shoot or train in a desert environment...I'm a 35 year veteran and I know the environmental impact that will cause this beautiful island." - Albert Taitano, June 14, 2013
- "Pagan must keep its beauty for our future generation to see." - Flora Castro, June 15, 2013
- "I am from the CNMI & I would like the islands to be preserved as much as possible from any outside influences. Keep it beautiful the way God made it." - Rachelle Ogo, June 15, 2013
- "Because it doesn't make sense" - Davon Stephens, June 15, 2013
- "The environment should be preserved!" - Kevin van der Meer, June 15, 2013
- "Nature it's as simple as that" - Keith Brown, June 15, 2013
- "Because doing so would ruin our earth even more than what we are already doing. When is it ever gonna be enough?! I mean.. try counting your money while there's no more air to breath. This is our planet too!" - Sara Syversrud Nordøy, June 15, 2013
- "Because stupid bullies with big scary weapons don't own this planet." - Joshua McMillan, June 15, 2013



- "It is a big part of Home for our people. One island that has yet to be destroyed by the military and their defense reasons. We are still picking up the pieces of the destruction of past occurrences. Like chemicals left in our grounds, lost of indigenous plants and animals, and so forth. It has to stop sometime. Leave some sanctity of Home for us. It means so much to me, my children, grandchildren and my people." - Glenda Babauta, June 16, 2013
- "I think it was harder to cope with the greater loss of my Maternal home from the Destruction of the Bikini Bombing. It wasn't only that she and her families were taken from the only home passed down by their ancestors and called it home, they had, and still to this day suffered health complications (i.e thyroid, cancer and short lifespan etc..) My mom suffered a lot from Radiation exposure, but we are grateful to the Lord that we, her children, were not expose to any of health issues, although my mom still have her health today, regretfully my Aunt and Grandmother (maternal) and other relatives from Marshall islands had Died with Cancer and other health complications, due to Radiaiton Exposure... So, whether it is for an excercise or whatsoever, Rest assured, these deadly chemical's will sure be found buried underground, and spilled or erode into the lagoons, in addition, where we gather food will be off limited resourcres because of contaminants.I am part of the waters and these neighboring islands, I will stand for my Paternal Relatives who have put so much effort to protect this Precious Land they will always Call"HOME".. Its the Livelyhood of our Future Generations that we look upon for their sole pride of calling it a"Home" passed down to them.. These islands are not made for your Disposal!..You are suppose to PROTECT it for"THE PEOPLE!" - Esther Sablan Seman, June 17, 2013
- "Because the U.S military wants everything for the army. why our island? We have to protect all the islands for our visitors & our NMI people & the animals. So SAVE PAGAN!!!" - sonja santos, June 17, 2013
- "Go find another island!!" - Caitlin Newman, June 17, 2013
- "to preserve it....it is the best of our islands and would like to keep it at that. I would like to visit the island one day with my family." - sindina laniyo, June 17, 2013
- "Native plants, animals, and ecosystems must be protected for future generations. High-quality diverse habitats, such as Pagan Island, should not be used for live-fire training. This is not the highest or best use of the land. It should be protected and managed for its natural and cultural values. Please do not allow the proposed training to go forward on Pagan Island. Mahalo nui loa." - Marjorie Ziegler, June 19, 2013

- "because it is so wrong on every level...destruction of the land and the native species, both human and plant life.Don't allow this to happen." - Gail Pyburn, June 19, 2013
- "This is NOT necessary!! The US military have enough areas to"practice" their manouvres without destroying this island and its wildlife. Not to mention the US citizens who want to go home, that are disenfranchised. they have the basic human right to be allowed and enabled to return home.." - Tia paton, June 19, 2013
- "The Northern Marianas are a jeweled necklace in the Pacific, and this jewel on the necklace strand should not be destroyed; nor should her residents suffer the rending of heart from home; nor should her endangered wildlife be threatened. The land, the culture, the people" - 0, June 19, 2013
- "Paradise is a place I believe in which everything man-made does not exist. All is kept preserved in its natural state. I do not want to see this island disappear. I want to be able to visit it someday, the way it is right now - untouched. Islands such as Pagan is a benefit to its people. It may one day be named one of the best tourist destinations and/or provide land for the future generations of the Marianas descent. It is proven that man can build then why not build an island isolated in the sea for such activities of destruction? Pagan has many resources to aid our beaten up economy, why take away our chance to live better?" - ANN ATTAO, June 19, 2013
- "Who are you to come to my home and tell me you want my land to use as target practice?!!" - Joseph Taisakan, June 20, 2013
- "from Saipan I understand the importance for keeping the island of Pagan safe." - Wayne Wagan, June 20, 2013
- "To protect the beauty and wildlife of the island." - Rebecca Grimes, June 20, 2013
- "Our island is beautiful the way it is. It does not need to be destroyed for military training. That island may just be our future survival land for our future children and their generation. Please, please don't do this!!! Anything but that. Our islands should be protected by our people for our children or else we will never have anything left for our future generations to live for." - Evamarie Demapan Coss, June 20, 2013
- "A very precious natural resource (ponzollan) is present there and should not be destroyed until mined." - FLORENCE KIRBY, June 20, 2013

- "I'm sick of all these plans to dump our crap on other people and their lands because we think we are more important than they are. Let the military build their own little barren island and bomb the so-and-so out of it all they want!" - Tina Owens, June 20, 2013
- "Pagan is one of the most biologically and geologically diverse islands in the archipelago, and is home to many threatened and endangered species, some of which are found nowhere else in the world." - Emily Herb, June 20, 2013
- "We cannot destroy these wonderful islands. They are under so much stress already" - Carol Davies, June 20, 2013
- "The US Military has got to stop bombing inhabited islands anywhere. They can practice bombing the Pentagon or the White House." - Annette Kaohelaulii, June 20, 2013
- "I saw what they did to Kahoolawe (Hawaiian Islands) and they tried to clean up the UXO at tremendous cost, and the job is still not done. They must find something else, less environmentally precious, to practice on." - Gene Dashiell, June 20, 2013
- "Endangered fruit bats, megapodes, and snails - why would anyone even consider bombing this island? This is crazy." - Paul Talbert, June 20, 2013
- "There are other ways to train our military than destroying yet another unique, beautiful, and biologically important island. Pagan has already lost its endemic bird species (Pagan Reed Warbler). The island should be a national park or preserve instead of a bombing target. Don't we have other places that are less sensitive?" - Douglas Pratt, June 20, 2013
- "Islands shouldn't ever be purposefully destroyed." - Curt Sanburn, June 20, 2013
- "I'm three quarters white and half Republican and I still think this is a terrible idea. I'm sure the United States can maintain the world's greatest military without maiming this little island." - Oliver Perez, June 20, 2013
- "Coming from the Marianas Islands, it is very important that we keep our Islands safe for the many generations to come." - Yessica Muna, June 20, 2013
- "We lose too many unique species without knowing the impact that will have." - Kate Kevit, June 20, 2013
- "There is no need for continued wanton destruction of Pacific Island habitats. Wasn't WWII enough?" - Storrs Olson, June 20, 2013
- "WHY MUST THE MILITARY DESTROY another ISLAND? WOULD YOU DO THIS IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA? WHY NOT? TOO MANY PEOPLE TO OBJECT? WELL, WE IN HAWAII OBJECT. no more destruction of islands. FIND SOME OTHER PLACE. GEORGIA? SOUTH

CAROLINA? LOUISIANA? i'll bet they'd love the jobs. NO MORE ISLAND DESTRUCTION." -

Mark Koppel, June 20, 2013

- "With today's technology we don't need to be live bombing anywhere for practice. However, we do need to protect those few places that haven't been touched and damaged by us; they cannot be replaced." - MaryAnn Tasker-Thompson, June 20, 2013
- "I am a former resident of the CNMI. Pagan is the only habitable island in the CNMI that remains untouched by development. It is still a natural place and should be preserved as such." - George Coates, June 20, 2013
- "culture and habitat are important to all off us" - Sally McIntyre, June 20, 2013
- "I do not support the destruction of another Pacific island or its diversity of flora and fauna including the nearshore waters." - Cynthia Rezendes, June 20, 2013
- "There must be another approach to training that will not destroy a biologically diverse place. I've worked in the Mariana Islands and would hope that we might preserve what's left." - Oscar Johnson, June 21, 2013
- "Please don't repeat the shortsighted military actions of the past. I have spent time on Kaho`olawe and seen the devastation firsthand. Haven't we learned anything?" - Laura Kaakua, June 21, 2013
- "The military has desecrated many lands in Hawaii including Makua Valley & Pohakuloa, and almost an entire island, Kaho`olawe. The damage done is almost irreversable and completely heart-wrenching! The effect this will have on the land, wildlife, all life is devastating. We need to, collectively, all over the world, put a stop to this!" - Mercy Ritte, June 21, 2013
- "We attempt to do our little be to keep this planet sustainable. We recycle, we pick platic and other garbage off the beaches, we try to make a tiny difference. Then in one act of incomprehensible stupidity the USA government blows it to hell." - Steven Josefsberg, June 21, 2013
- "we must protect the earth, not destroy it." - teri tico, June 21, 2013
- "We all know how difficult it is to clean up an island once it has been used as a target island. It would be crazy to repeat this folly on Pagan Island!" - Andrew Bushnell, June 21, 2013
- "There are animals and a who eco-system that will perish just because our military does not value life." - Shiree Burt, June 21, 2013
- "We must protect the biodiversity of this unique place from willful destruction" - George Stender, June 21, 2013

- "I was on Pagan Island in 1980, we were drilling for geothermal sites. It is a beautiful island, however the locals were into killing birds to eat and they were all very small. I worked in Saipan at the time. Not another Kaho'olawe!" - tlaloc tokuda, June 21, 2013
- "Outrageous! I can't believe that this proposal is being made. We will not allow the US Military to destroy yet another biologically rich island." - ann kobsa, June 21, 2013
- "We, Americans have made too many mistakes in the past in the name of supporting military training. I worked on a project to rebuild Bikini Island after our activity there. One mistake of that magnitude is enough." - K. B. Hom, June 21, 2013
- "Paradise, and the natives. Irreplaceable." - Eckhart Beatty, June 21, 2013
- "native species, indigenous knowledge - because it's wrong!" - Gail Peiterson, June 21, 2013
- "Is there nothing left in our world that is worth saving?" - Dana Anderson, June 21, 2013
- "I understand the need for U.S. military bombing targets, and do not have a problem with that. However, Pagan Island is home to several significant and endangered species, and so another target site must be found. Using Pagan for this purpose is unacceptable. Thank you." - Burke Burnett, June 21, 2013
- "Pagan is a beautiful, treasure island" - Kaye Christian, June 21, 2013
- "I spent 12 years in Micronesia, in the Peace Corps, and as an attorney for Micronesian Legal Services and for the FSM Political Status Commission. I am very familiar with US Government abuses of the Micronesian environment. This is yet another gross insult." - Alan Burdick, June 21, 2013
- "US military should not be bombing and otherwise desecrating any island. I helped the Protect Kaho'olawe Ohana 30 years ago in the long struggle to rid the island of Kaho'olawe of the military and the bombs that they dropped on it, and know first hand how permanently destructive military ordnance training is at an island scale. I had previously surveyed military ordnance training sites for rare native plants at Makua, Schofield and Pohakuloa ordnance impact areas, and have seen the permanent damage to sensitive biological areas at each. When I was a child growing up in several areas of Hawaii, we saw left over ordnance from WWII training all over certain regions, and it still remains, despite faithless promises from the military. Once the military gets access to any land for ordnance training it is despoiled forever. Do not let the US military on to Pagan. Learn from islander experiences in Hawaii. Re-occupy Pagan, stay there and defy the military--deny them use of Pagan. This is the moral and patriotic thing to do!!" - Frederick Warshauer, June 21, 2013

- "This sounds way too familiar folks. Think about it and please sign..." - loriann tavares, June 21, 2013
- "The United States military has made great progress over the last decade in its efforts to consider ecological impacts. The proposal for "live-fire" training on Pagan Island is giant step backwards. Surely there is a better way to prepare our military without decimating an intact ecosystem." - Wendy Kuntz-Hood, June 21, 2013
- "I don't think the military should be allowed to destroy landscapes. Practice bombs on areas that are already destroyed, not living areas." - Page Else, June 21, 2013
- "Because it was decades before the State of Hawaii got Kaho'olawe returned from the military and we don't need that again anywhere. The military has no right to evict an entire population for target practice." - Lisa Rodrigues, June 21, 2013
- "I have seen first hand the devastation of military training on a pristine island -- Kaho`olawe! Our beautiful Hawai`i Nei has been, and is still being used for military training throughout the archipelago. Destroying the very things that is makes life worth living. The U.S. Military is responsible for the extinction of species throughout our lands." - Tomylu Whaley, June 21, 2013
- "If invasive species were removed first, this might be a trade-off, but without that, Islands are too precious to destroy when there are already alternatives for training." - Mark Rauzon, June 21, 2013
- "I am tired of the military destroying people's land." - Sheena Wise, June 21, 2013
- "I have seen the damage the military has done to the Marshall Islands and the destruction of Kaho'olawe. We must stop this insane war on the Pacific Islands." - Jeannette Hereniko, June 21, 2013
- "i have seen what this dose and wish never hear or see this action be taken again. practice in your own backyard if you like but stay out of mine with your war" - sam hambek, June 21, 2013
- "The u.s. military has absolutely no right to do this. You must knowbetter" - Nicole Tergeoglou, June 21, 2013
- "The Military should already know that destroying any island brings serious environmental consequences. Please stop this madness." - Michele Nihipali, June 22, 2013
- "Why is it even contemplated to use a living island anywhere to bomb and test live ammunition?" - Mark McGuffie, June 22, 2013

- "the military has no business bombing ANY natural habitat" - syd crawford, June 22, 2013
- "We can't keep destroying our planet for the sake of military training. The military has more than enough existing places to drop bombs. Please don't destroy another pristine island." - Gary Jardine, June 22, 2013
- "I" - Brew Rudd, June 22, 2013
- "One of the purposes of the US military is to protect and defend the US and its interests. Destroying Pagan Island is contrary to that mission. My country needs to stop indiscriminately destroying our planet. Choose a better target." - Henry Holthaus, June 22, 2013
- "public dollars should have a public voice." - Cha Smith, June 22, 2013
- "I live part-time on Guam. I love and appreciate the Mariana Islands and feel there must be another better option." - mary berryman, June 22, 2013
- "Our Earth is a precious commodity. With each parcel of land destroyed we lose not only many animal and plant species, but other means of habitat. NO TO PAGAN BEING USED FOR MILITARY PRACTICES!!!!" - kuincey banac-aricayos, June 23, 2013
- "To Preserve wild life and the beauty of the island" - Annika Rasa, June 23, 2013
- "It seems we have become so"politically correct" that we show more concern for our enemies' well-being than we do for our own." - Regina Fayne, June 23, 2013
- "The jewels of the islands should be kept its natural beauty. Pagan is one of these islands that needs to preserved from its treasures." - Bertha Reched, June 23, 2013
- "The Marines have more than enough room at Le Jeune and other bases. Why must the USA keep destroying the world? Will it never end? Thanks for fighting this for all of us." - Margaret Crenshaw, June 24, 2013
- "save the planet before its too late" - Joanne Farmer, June 24, 2013
- "Give me one good reason to destroy Pagan." - Paul Mathews, June 24, 2013
- "The military needs to stop destroying everything it touches, including our pockets and the world's resources." - Gavin Meeks, June 24, 2013
- "We must defend the history of our culture by preserving in the present. We must stand up and be strong in the face of adversity!" - Jennifer Arceo, June 24, 2013
- "We must stop destroying fragile & beautiful places!" - Fred Dodge, MD, June 25, 2013
- "Tired of the US military using our islands for target practice" - Tom Pohaku Stone, June 25, 2013

- "To protect and preserve native species. It would be a crime against nature to turn this island into a dump." - Judy Dalton, June 25, 2013
- "Aloha 'Aina - as a member of the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, I oppose the abuse and waste of the land and it's natural resources." - Davianna McGregor, June 25, 2013
- "Pagan Island is precious." - Ku Kahakalau, June 25, 2013
- "My biological grandchildren are part Chamorro, and I lived on Saipan for 4 1/2 years. It is outrageous to think Pagan could be destroyed like this." - Joan King, June 25, 2013
- "The US military has destroyed too many Pacific islands already. They don't need to destroy another." - Jim Dennis, June 26, 2013
- "In this day and age, with all the modern methods for disposing of waste, to use an unsullied, beautiful Carolines island is a crime. My children are half Carolinians and to have their birthright ruined is a sin!" - Anne Rasa, June 26, 2013
- "As a member of the Protect Kaho`olawe `Ohana, I believe in the sacred and living nature of all islands and have seen firsthand the long lasting devastation in munitions" - Kelvin Ho, June 26, 2013
- "I do not like the way the military rides rough shod over the Marianas (e.g. Marines from Okinawa)." - Mark Eric Sewell, June 26, 2013
- "No people connected to their land deserve to be restricted from access." - Noelani Puniwai, June 26, 2013
- "Government should first intervene to assist people and to enhance their environment, not to advance the its own the M./I. Complex." - blair dickerson, June 26, 2013
- "I support the US military, but these plans are just wrong. It would be absolutely immoral. Don't do it!" - John Martin, June 26, 2013
- "My herritage is of Guamanian descent - and I hope to one day visit!!!" - Michele Henry, June 26, 2013
- "We don't want another Kahoolawe!" - Ati Jeffers-Fabro, June 27, 2013
- "We must protect the land and its natural resources. We cannot wait and be silent until its all lost and cry"What have we done". Love the Land as if it were your Family, Let no man rape it." - Joelle Hussey, June 28, 2013
- "Enough is enough. We know that any promise of an after the fact"clean up" program will be completed, so why even start. Lets not destroy another beautiful land mass no matter how small." - Sharman Elison, June 28, 2013



- "Surely the military can find something to destroy other than a beautiful island." - Phillip Prickett, June 29, 2013
- "Enough bombing other People's home." - Dawn Kepa, June 30, 2013
- "stop the madness" - jerry mosimann, June 30, 2013
- "Pagan is a beautiful island and the U.S. military must find another way to train that does not include destroying Pagan!" - Deborah Smith, July 02, 2013
- "Indigenous people have always been shown disrespect when It comes to their culture and beliefs. We, the Hawaiians are 21st century evidence of this. We are still trying to recover our lost past to colonialism. In the name of "world order", has long been the call for the colonialist occupation and assimilation into foreign or indigenous cultures. We need to put a stop to the continuing cultural and political degradation." - Roy Brooks, July 02, 2013
- "It's part of my heritage." - Lorie Tuey, July 03, 2013
- "Pagan island retains one of the most intact ecosystems int he Pacific Ocean, whereas most islands have been devastated by destruction, development and/or invasive species this island retains species that are extinct elsewhere or close to extinction. Preservation of its biodiversity is extremely important." - Justin Gerlach, July 05, 2013
- "It is extremely important to protect the biodiversity of island species, especially these isolated mid-ocean islands. Politically , the USA Military should confine itself to testing weapon on their own continent and stop destroying other people's homes." - Ron and Gill Gerlach, July 05, 2013
- "Respected leaders, Pagan is not a good fit for the US military for many reasons. I hope you will you will reconsider when you see that thousands of people are passionate about this issue and do not want to see another Pacific isIand robbed from its people and of its beauty. I do not believe the island should be taken from it's rightful caregivers and settlers, the residents of the island prior to the eruption in 1981. This islands land deserves to be shared with those families and the residents of the CNMI. It has many potential uses with its fertile agricultural land and wild game. It is an excellent location to pursue opportunities in Eco-tourism or environmental education for CNMI residents and visitors of the archipelago. Pagan is a safe harbor for ships in the area that need a place to anchor during a storm, a valuable resource since some fisherman still travel north to find fish. Theg island is covered in history not only from the Japanese occupation but also from ancient Chamorro times. Latte stones, mortars and pestles, traditional jewelry, and tools are still being discovered by

archeologists today and should remain safe in their island context. The sea life, mammalian life, human life, and plant life (both wild and agricultural) of Pagan have and will continue to abound. A place with such history and potential should not be condemned to a fate of bullets, bombs, and tanks. Leave the island as it is; invite people to settle on the island again permanently. Allow the people who are passionate about Pagan and its preservation, the endangered fruit bats, the whales that birth their young in south bay, and the island to thrive individually and find a less devastating location for military testing. Perhaps a place which could benefit economically from the installation would be a better fit. Please, don't take away one of the United States' last beautiful natural places in the Pacific and use it for military purposes as has been done many times in the past. Make a wise decision and leave Pagan to nature, scientists, historians, sailors, students, visitors of all types, and the people that want to live there sustainably. Sincerely, Jackie McMahon" - Jackie McMahon, July 07, 2013

- "Please do not ruin one of our last truly wild regions of the world. Respect Earth and it will respect you." - Devdharma Khalsa, July 08, 2013
- "Unique habitats which harbor endemic species are of global biological importance. A live-fire range can be located in already-degraded and desolate habitats; it is a travesty to take a valued biodiversity site and purposely reduce it to cinders, when many other alternatives with few environmental impacts exist." - Marilyn Loveless, July 08, 2013
- "I am 100% against the use of Pagan for military purposes. There are so many bases in the Pacific already! This is absolutely unnecessary! With all this US debt, there sure seems to be a lot of money for military training and expansion. Why not use this money to preserve Pagat or simply save money by LEAVING IT ALONE. The extra money could be used for education, social services, health care, etc." - Jaynina Smith-Prince, July 09, 2013
- "The people living here need to be honored and allowed to live their lives without any interference from the US military or any other negative force." - Hari Atma Khalsa, July 10, 2013
- "We need to come up with alternate ideas for reducing, storing or destroying our trash other than trying to hide it on healthy ecosystems. Also, why does the US Military get to decide which islands are practice fields? We need to stand up for our planet." - Stephanie Arne, July 11, 2013

- "Because I think it is awful the we kill off natural resources so we can test more weapons to rage war, I don't believe in this philosophy" - Monica Baietti-Schnibs, July 11, 2013
- "Because Nature comes first." - Mary R. Mederos, July 12, 2013
- "environmental devastation is not okay ever.This is a piece of paradise and a habitat..what are you thinking?" - Tamara Oosterkamp -Parks, July 12, 2013
- "The ecological resources of this planet need to be protected and maintained not destroyed. We are fast approaching irreversible ecological planetary disaster." - Lizbeth Horsley, July 12, 2013
- "We've already spoiled HI. We need to leave other unique ecosystems alone." - Brian Peters, July 12, 2013
- "My husband Jerome K. Aldan is from Pagan Island and he has been fighting to keep Pagan in the hands of the Northern Marianas Descent. Although I have never been to Pagan I have pictures of it from my husband and he would tell me great stories about the island while growing up. I want the island to be still there so that our children could grow up and see the island where their father is from reach in cultural and historic values. It is too precious for me to just see Pagan given to the Military like a box of chocolate." - Antonia Aldan, July 13, 2013
- "because this is where my ancestor lived ,including me ,ive lived on pagan since 2002 until now at this very moment im signing this petition. eco tourism rather than eco terrorism" - santiago castro, July 14, 2013
- "Im signing this petition for the sake of pagan island. I have lived explored and experience life at Pagan. I would love the future generations to be able to see and experience the enchanted island many call home." - christina justino, July 14, 2013
- "There is a reason to save threatened and endangered species. It may be something that saves my life." - Cheryl Weese, July 14, 2013
- "These islands are my heritage, culture, tradition, language, life, love and family! It is natural law that our heirloom is never given away nor taken from us, the Chamorros and the Carolinians." - ROSEMOND SANTOS, July 15, 2013
- "It's my dad's home. Would you like it if my went to your home and bombed it to hell? Please save Pagan!!" - Jerome Tudela Aldan, July 16, 2013
- "The island of Pagan is a gem that is filled with so much biodiversity, so much native and endemic species of flora and fauna grow and roam the island of Pagan, and the beauty of it

is that the species is rarely or not found anywhere else in the world. It would be devastating to lose all that to "live-fire training". In addition, some of my family members, ancestors have spent much of their time staying there, they would tell me stories of their experiences on Pagan and how beautiful it is, and the best part was that they lived off the island's resources. I haven't been there myself, but being a Chamorro, Pagan holds evidence of our native Chamorro ancestors. Simply, I don't want to see another island taken for "live-fire training" exercises. Its enough that the U.S. military has taken large portions of Tinian, conduct bombing exercises on FDM, and now wants Pagan? If live-fire exercises do go on, after years of bombing, what happens to the island? Will it be left barren and hazardous due to bombings and artillery? I know that the CNMI is under so much pressure in regards to the economy, the military offers money as part of their proposal, however, money comes and go, but an island filled with so biodiversity, coupled with a pristine environment, lives on. So please, save Pagan Island." - Robert Deleon Guerrero, July 16, 2013

- "Our Island is not a place for anyone to come and destroy. It's small on the map, but is a beautiful island and abundant of natures gift from Ocean to Land." - Wilmer Sablan, July 16, 2013
- "This land belongs to the Chamorro people. The solution is that simple." - Daven Camacho, July 16, 2013
- "With the declining fauna and flora around the world, we as humans must intervene and make known our voices to protect the environment for the betterment of the future generation. We as islanders have been living off what our lands and ocean offer for thousands of years. Why do we have to our natural resources now?" - Dexter Meninzor, July 16, 2013
- "The island holds both cultural and biological/ecological importance to my friends, family, and people." - Lee Roy Sablan Jr., July 16, 2013
- "Why waste a wonderful Island called Pagan when we CNMI can make use of it." - Froilan Jr Camacho, July 16, 2013
- "The islands are prestine and unique and irreplaceable. This is our heritage. The military has not business or right to take what belongs to the poeple." - Vicente Palacios, July 16, 2013
- "Pagan is our gem." - Zabrina Shai, July 16, 2013
- "Because Pagan is important to me." - Aldebert Deleon Guerrero, July 16, 2013

- "Pagan is one of the beautiful island here in the Pacific and most especially to the Northern Mariana Islands. We don't need to have this island destroyed and having it look ghetto and all. There may not be humans there but there are beautiful creatures who inhabit the island, it's not fair they get to lose their home. It's like if someone came to you and your family's home and MAKES you move out. That is not right. The U.S. Military has already used Farallon de Medinilla for bombing exercises, and have been using parts of Guam and Tinian for training purposes. Do they really need another one of our Islands?" - Daphne Dela Cruz, July 16, 2013
- "It's my home, it's where my heart lies, it's where my memories took birth. Why would I let this beautiful nature from our mother earth to be plundered by total un-necessity like other places around the world. Peace and love. That's all." - Tommy Baik, July 16, 2013"ev" - Ha'ani Aldan, July 16, 2013
- "What if the radiation affects neighboring inhabited islands like us?" - Jose Dante Santiago, July 16, 2013
- "The Mariana Islands are my home." - Jellian Cuartero, July 16, 2013
- "I'm from Saipan and of all places for the military to use Pagan as a weapons training ground is uncalled for! Why not use the current training and testing centers in established locations being utilized NOW?!" - Jack Taitano, July 16, 2013
- "Because I am a scientist." - Rhiana Jones, July 16, 2013
- "Pagan is a unique ecosystem that exists nowhere else in the world. It belongs to the people of the Northern Mariana Islands." - Gabriel Asper, July 17, 2013
- "Saipan was my home growing up, and I know what an island is like in its pristine condition. The U.S. Military will destroy Pagan's beauty." - Kai Staal, July 17, 2013
- "Nature is beautiful when left to prosper of itself. We as humans have the tendency to see dollar signs, can you imagine a role reversal?" - Kina Bermudes, July 17, 2013
- "Because I am a Northern Marianas decent local who would like the island left as it is as it has been ever been by our great ancestors. First these Federal tell us our bird species that are on the extinction list and take away our ocean under PEW with these non-profit organization, Military bombing Farallon de Madeniza, and they going to get these island for another target. Hello where is the sense in that !!" - Sylvestre Sablan, July 17, 2013
- "Because it's not theirs to bomb." - Chelsea Brown, July 17, 2013
- "Save our culture and resources." - Amanda Santos, July 17, 2013

- "As an indigenous from this beautiful island chain. It is our rights and our future generations rights to protect our Ancestors lands!!" - Marlyn Tenorio, July 17, 2013
- "I recently moved to California, but the Mariana's is my home. Home to my family and home to my ancestors. Chamorros have this land to call ours, dont take it away from us! si yu'us ma'ase" - Diana Quinata, July 17, 2013
- "Because of the abundance. It is rich. I have been here before and many of us from the CNMI WANT to go there. Besides, if Pagan goes, air space the size of the whole northern islands must be restricted. I don't support this at all!" - Analee Villagomez, July 17, 2013
- "Pagan is a beautiful place where people can stay and enjoy life" - Vioncee Reyes, July 17, 2013
- "I may not be a local, but I was born and raised in Saipan. I know how precious these islands are. The military can find someplace else to bomb. Maybe some island off the coast of the East or West side. Maybe somewhere in the barren lands of Alaska. It'll be a treat for all of America to see how powerful they've become." - Judy Ann Primack, July 17, 2013
- "To preserve our worlds natural beauty." - Taylor Primack, July 17, 2013
- "Because im from saipan. I do not need any more reason to sign." - evelins elewel, July 17, 2013
- "This place is one of the last few natural places on this Earth largely untouched by man, it is truly a beautiful island paradise of freedom. We cannot allow it to fall into the hands of the United States military, who will use it for training purposes to further expand their imperial conquest powers. I refuse to allow another one of our islands to be used this way. We must save and protect Pagan (and every other island in the Marianas). Stand up and fight, people of the CNMI!" - Kelvin Rodeo, July 17, 2013
- "Islands are some of the most beautiful and fragile environments..they need to be protected, not destroyed." - Adrianna Nimer, July 17, 2013
- "There are better uses for the Northern Islands than bombing. We also have to protect them from mining." - Angelo Taotaotasi, July 17, 2013
- "I grew up in the CNMI for 18 years. I love my home, I refuse to see Pagan used in such a disgusting way. Our small lands need to be left alone, there are lands in the main land that can be used for military practice. But not the little bit that we have left!" - Keishannild Paez, July 17, 2013
- "We dont need to destory planet to train our military" - Anni Hallmark, July 18, 2013

- "Never been there. Until that day, I want to see it in it's original form..." - Vince Cabrera, July 18, 2013
- "this island is the best because of all the features and the history about it . this island is the life that's why people are living there ,it's nice and peaceful." - carlos aguon, July 23, 2013
- "I want Pagan pristine as it is today." - John Attao, July 26, 2013
- "My father was a teenage US. sailor on Saipan during WWII. The USN sent him back with his young family in the '50's. I was born on Saipan in 1959. My father died in 1982. Could we please not blow up an island member of the Commonwealth the US has been defending for over 70 years? This is beyond outrageous." - Josephine Huddleston, July 27, 2013
- "We have so much to learn, to share, to enjoy, and to share with future generations. Our islands are our home." - Lawrence Hocog, July 29, 2013
- "Stop supporting the Destruction stop supporting the Destruction of our planet by the US government!!!" - Brian Sullivan, July 29, 2013
- "NO live firing in the Marianas!!!" - James Hinds, July 30, 2013
- "I am ashamed that my country believes that it is ok to use Pagan as their training ground. How would you like it if someone was bombing and using your back yard??? Figure out another way..... That doesn't involve using someone else's land." - Lauren Chadwick, July 30, 2013
- "The Mariana Islands are my home. Like Memories, I think a person's home should be something someone should keep forever. It's disturbing just thinking about this happening to such a beautiful place. Let the people of this Island continue their way of life. Let this Island live on!!! Save these people!!! Save Pagan!!!" - CARLOS SAN NICOLAS, August 01, 2013
- "Pagan is a natural paradise that could be a useful resource for the Marianas in the future, we're not gonna let people bomb the hell out of it." - John Paul Aglubat, August 02, 2013
- "I'm a concerned individual and also indigenous to the CNMI. I am a military retiree but the preservation of Pagan Island against certain environmental devastation must be considered." - Nonito Delos Reyes, August 04, 2013
- "cos nei bahttey pagan is good fishing" - michael lizama, August 04, 2013
- "Because we must preserve the beauty Pagan possesses" - Katrina Cruz, August 04, 2013
- "It Is our source of provision for spiritual, Physical, and mental necessity which all comes down to it being our well being for the continuation of our traditional and cultural practices" - John Castro, August 05, 2013

- "What an incredibly beautiful island!!! Pagan Island has far too much beautiful scenery, biological diversity & life to be destroyed!!! The island needs to be preserved!!!" - Sam Antha, August 05, 2013
- "I was lucky enough to go to Pagan around 2009. It is an amazing Island! The military should find some other place to do their training. They already have 2/3 of Tinian!" - Glenn Smith, August 05, 2013
- "This is Important to Leave Pagan as it is for the Benefit of all CNMI People instead of Destruction to its' Natural Beauty & abundance Resources, which Benefits the CNMI People & Its' Neighboring Countries like Japan, Etc...It is Important for so many other Good Reasons aside from Destruction." - Antonio Santos, August 05, 2013
- "All the Gani islands are important to me because it once belonged to my ancestors and now passed on to my generation. Pagan in particular is very important for me because the island is my great-grandmother's final resting place. Do not disturb her. Saina Ma'ase" - Gordon Salas, August 05, 2013
- "It's important to save the Island for the people and its Resources" - Norma Olopai, August 06, 2013
- "I plan to relocate to Pagan and reside there." - Jonathan Arriola, August 06, 2013
- "My mom and family were born there and it's a dream for them to go back one day." - Lorraine Pinaula, August 06, 2013
- "Pagan Island is my home place! Pagan is Paradise. Pagan is Pristine. Pagan is Peaceful. So lets protect and preserve it not poison and pollute it. Plans for bombing practice must stop NA PARA POTFABOT!!!. POWER TO PAGAN AND THE PEOPLE AND PLEASE PRAY FOR MORE PEACE ON OUR PLANET." - Diego Kaipat, August 07, 2013
- "Square miles of our Islands is so limited. Get Palau Gov. to help the Military needs." - George Flores, M.D./Col. US Army, Retired, August 11, 2013
- "It not right to the Pagan Island people! they deserve better!!!" - Wendy Ng, August 15, 2013
- "Save Pagan Island!!!" - Nina Hong, August 15, 2013
- "Saving it means everything to the people." - Ada Saponaro, August 15, 2013
- "Beautiful island. Would love to live there." - Barry Bennier, August 15, 2013
- "I was stationed in Guam in 1977 while serving with the US Air Force. The Mariana Islands are the most beautiful place I have seen in my entire life. Do not destroy any part of them." - David Medellin, August 15, 2013



- "The Military does not need this island, it is a huge mistake and just plain wrong to destroy an island and dislocate a "people" to develop bombs and weapons" - Melanie Panchula, August 15, 2013
- "Foremost, exotic wildlife - vegetation and animals. Second, annually Playboy shows up in Saipan. Pagan is an excellent road to relaxation without all the infrastructure."An academic learning environment, without scars of war or preparations thereto." - ARTHUR McMellon, August 16, 2013
- "Environmental sustainability is increasingly important." - David Jackson, August 20, 2013
- "My wife's family is Chamorro, from Saipan. Her father was a teacher on Pagan. This is a bad idea." - Patrick Downs, August 20, 2013
- "Because this is devastating for the environment and people's cultures. Why are we trying to perpetuate the ugly abuses of 20th colonialism in the present day? We should be done with this by now." - Josiah Savary, August 20, 2013
- "The biological diversity and the local community lifeways of the Mariana Islands have been disrupted for over a century by the United States armed forces. Leave Pagan alone; just because it seems empty and devoid of life, doesn't mean people don't value it in its current state. The military does a shitty job of cleaning up after itself, and Pagan will be no exception." - Nina Peck, August 20, 2013
- "It is important to the eco system and the environment." - Kathleen Radich, August 20, 2013
- "This island belongs to the Chamorro people. The United States does not have the right to bomb it." - DiAnne Bradsher, August 20, 2013
- "This should not go, A home is a home, don't think it away." - George Peter Sablan, August 20, 2013
- "The military should stop bothering/wasting beautiful islands. How many more islands do they need to be satisfied?" - George Peter Sablan, August 20, 2013
- "I dont want the same thing that has happened to the Hawiian island of Kaho`olawe to happen to any other island!" - Cheryl Naluai, August 20, 2013
- "Noone should be allowed to destroy our beautiful planet, it's a crime. No nukes!" - ?????? ??????, August 20, 2013
- "Dear President Obama. Please see Pagan Island. You will appreciate the wealth of environmental beauty and home to many endangered species, which humanity must

appreciate for future generations. Bombing it should not be part of your legacy." - Simeon Palomo, August 20, 2013

- "500 years of being told repeatedly that we islanders DON'T MATTER is enough!!!" - Genevieve Cabrera, August 20, 2013
- "No respect for the islands and its people! Uncle never gave a damn about the islands. They already have bombed the hell out of one of our islands! Now another one! Lets learn from the Hawaiians and stop the madness!!!" - Anthony Taylor, August 20, 2013
- "My friends visited Pagan and said it was a beautiful place. I live on Guam and want to see it and its neighbors saved." - Alex Versackas, August 20, 2013
- "Pagan Island is part of an island chain of my ancestors. It does not need to be desecrated by the US Military or any other country for their own selfish, inconsiderate, and destructive reasons. Outsiders need to understand the connection indigenous people and their descendants have with the lands of their ancestors. Especially, on small islands where the land is limited and it is ecologically diverse with some endangered species." - Jonita Pecjo-Marques, August 20, 2013
- "First of all, it is important to Me, simply because it is home to many endangered animals, secondly I would think we have enough firing ranges as is. Last of all, it is ultimately up to Us Marianas Islanders to decide the fate of this Ancestral Island." - James Smau, August 20, 2013
- "There is no need for destruction. This does not protect me, my beliefs, or my family. I believe in rehabilitation, reconstruction, and restoration, and the American people deserve a better image." - Margaret Messerschmidt, August 20, 2013
- "I have close friends who consider this island as part of their homeland. It is wrong to destroy such a place with bombs and bullets. Train somewhere else." - Robert Taylor, August 20, 2013
- "This island (part of the island chain of my ancestors) does not need to be desecrated by the US Military. It needs to be left alone for future generations to hold sacred and appreciate." - Jonita Pecjo-Marques, August 20, 2013
- "home to many threatened and endangered species" - Jett & Carolyn Mercer, August 20, 2013
- "It is one of the Most Natural Stunning places in the Pacific..How about sharing it's beauty instead of destroying what has been one of the most Geologically Diverse Islands with

SEVERAL endangered species that are only found in this part of the world!" - JOSEPH SABLAN JOHNSON, August 20, 2013

- "How would you like if we go to your house and start shooting up the place." - John Leon Guerrero, August 20, 2013
- "Pagan is sacred ground. Pagan is the home for many living things. The USA has got to STOP! PARA! Destroying other people's properties! PEACE!" - Bernadita P. Grajek, August 20, 2013
- "I grew up and my home is the Pacific Islands. I want to continue to protect my home." - Renee Echavez, August 20, 2013
- "there is more to mention about this island of Pagan, say no to the U.S. Military plans..." - Ray Anthony Camacho, August 21, 2013
- "The military has taken too much from the Chamorro people. Pagan's natural beauty, resources and life are destined to be compromised. We can't let this happen. No home should be disrupted and destroyed!" - Joshua Aguon, August 21, 2013
- "My daughter spent many days exploring the island for birds! Her pictures show it is a jewel." - Ann Rounds, August 21, 2013
- "As a former resident of Saipan, I have heard nothing but good things about this island." - Brian Caldwell, August 21, 2013
- "A HEALTHY AND DIVERSE ECOSYSTEM IS SUPREMELY IMPORTANT ; WE ARE THE MILITARY AND WE DON'T WANT THIS TO HAPPEN!" - JAMES LIEBER, August 21, 2013
- "It is my RIGHT!" - Roke Kichichu, August 21, 2013
- "I think that the military engages in too much environmental destruction in order to appear to be "prepared"." - David Chorlton, August 21, 2013
- "Saving Pagan means saving our people. Our culture is undeniably connected to our land. Destroying our land means destroying our people." - Edward Sablan, August 21, 2013
- "Terricide should be of concern to this all. It's senseless, outrageous murder of the earth." - Paul Lyons, August 21, 2013
- "it is an unnecessary destructive activity, that will maim the land" - Andy Brady, August 21, 2013
- "I am a Chamorro from the Marianas Islands. The use of Pagan is an affront to our Chamorro culture, our land, and the right for my people to inhabit Pagan. Hasn't the military occupied enough property on Guam and the Marianas? Isn't enough that the island of Tinian

will forever be known in history where WWII bombs were launched to annihilate Hiroshima & Nagasaki? I beg of the military and CNMI leaders to prevent further environmental rape of our islands." - Antoinette Celes, August 21, 2013

- "this is a biological treasure!" - Luanne Johnson, August 21, 2013
- "To preserve the natural beauty of the island." - lindsay davis, August 21, 2013
- "Biodiversity is its own irreplaceable value. Islands are unique." - Jorian Sartorius, August 21, 2013
- "Has historical meaning for the people that once occupied this land, ecological and environmental preservation." - K. guy, August 21, 2013
- "This beautiful island is part of my ancestral history. Coupled with that it is an ecological wonder. Moreover, is this was to happen on the mainland US people would be up in arms!" - Davin Reyes, August 21, 2013
- "I am done abdicating the destruction of our planet!" - Charlotte Karth, August 21, 2013
- "The biological diversity and pristine ecological environment are far more important to future generations than providing the United States military another "target" to destroy." - John Diaz, August 21, 2013
- "The destruction of an island supporting endemic wildlife is abhorrent. But to also ignore the local people's claim to their island is absolutely terrible." - Stacey Mann, August 21, 2013
- "This is tragic! Stop the madness." - Dustin Albertson, August 21, 2013
- "Cultural heritage and huge environmental impact." - Joel Steinpreis, August 21, 2013
- "Because all land is sacred." - Roldy Aguero Ablao, August 21, 2013
- "Because I love our islands and we should preserve them for our children. It is all we have left to identify who we are and where we come from and the last thing we need is for Uncle Sam to come in and take more of what we have away from our people. Wake up Marianas!!!!!!" - Joan Christine Pangelinan, August 21, 2013
- "ENOUGH already." - Mandy Mantzel, August 21, 2013
- "In a day and age where War is perceived by most to be abominable (no pun intended!) ~ how on Earth can we move forwards when a civilized Nation such as USA are considering bombing an area of outstanding natural beauty...? Please re-evaluate thinking... Sincerely, Marine Scientist Nick" - 0, August 21, 2013
- "The Chamorro people are losing just about everything from their language to their lands." - Edwin Cadag, August 21, 2013

- "Because it is such a beautiful piece of nature and many wild animals on the ground and in the waters needs to roam and swim around and be FREE!!" - Alison Carpenter, August 21, 2013
- "It's important because our lawmakers need some help justifying why it is such a horrible idea. Pagan Island is an ecological play ground not a deserted waste land!" - Ian Babauta, August 21, 2013
- "This is important to me because of the history behind this small island and the fact that it is home to many of our endangered species in the Marianas. We need to start taking a stand in preserving what should remain part of our culture and local heritage." - Jolynn Redmond, August 21, 2013
- "why cant one of the existing islands already destroyed by live fire military exercises be reused for the same purpose, why destroy the home of the Pagan islanders and bird species for what , havent you destroyed enough..." - RACHEL WILLIAMS, August 21, 2013
- "I am a proud Chamoru woman. I don't want any more land that rightfully belongs to the people to be used for military agendas." - Jourdene Rosella Aguon, August 21, 2013
- "I visited Pagan in the 1990's. It is remote, and a rare jewel of Pacific Island history and habitat. It should be preserved and appreciated." - Mike quinn, August 21, 2013
- "Stop the Military from destroying the pristine Pagan Island. The wildlife, ocean life and people don't deserve this!" - kirsten Massebeau, August 21, 2013
- "The ocean is life and our future we need to protect it." - Craig Johnson, August 21, 2013
- "The US Military has occupied enough of our native land. The remaining native land need to be preserved and respected." - Sea Alvarez, August 21, 2013
- "Because of the beautiful nature the Island has itself" - 0, August 21, 2013
- "I grew up there! its the love of the land" - dana cruz, August 21, 2013
- "I am from the Marianas Islands & want the environment to be preserved." - Josepha Taylor, August 21, 2013
- "I am against all destruction of natural habitat when there are other alternatives. Let's face it, the military already has a bombing range in this archipelago, Farallon de Pajaros, three islands north of Pagan. Does this really make sense. Is this the best that the United States can come up with. Did they already blow Farallon off the face of the earth. And they want to do it again. Those are just a few reasons why. But what if it was you hometown,or family

property. Would you be good with this proposal. I doubt it." - Rueben Olivas, August 21, 2013

- "it's the land of the marianas people and it should stay the way it is." - STEVEN VAN WINKLE, August 21, 2013
- "As an indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian of the Northern Mariana Islands, I am against the military bombing of Pagan or any other island in the Marianas. I think this is the US's way of slowly moving out the indigenous population so that they can take over the islands and use it purely for military buildup since Guam does not have enough land space to accommodate their original plan. Let's see- they got Guam, Tinian, FDM, the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument (military exempted), and now they want Pagan. What island is next on their list? I wonder if they're will to share their 20 year strategic take over action plan?" - Sam Sablan, August 21, 2013
- "I am from the Island of Guam. To use Pagan Island as a military"live training" ground is uncalled for. Why ruin something so prestige and beautiful. It is one of God's many creations. The Mariana Islands have suffered enough with World War II. It should remain as is. Praying for all of the Mariana Islands. God Bless!" - Jeanette Cruz, August 21, 2013
- "There is exceptional life on this island and indigenous history. Please rethink this very bad idea." - Sharon Messinger, August 21, 2013
- "This is an outmoded warmongering model. At the expense of bio-diversity and the natural world. Enough." - jamie lewis, August 21, 2013
- "I'm shocked and appalled that the US feels they have the 'right' to destroy parts of the earth, just for the sake of 'practice' (or for any other reason...). So much has been destroyed already, when will humanity realise you can't keep destroying the only place we have to live. There's only one Earth..." - Francis Dalebout, August 21, 2013
- "Please stop the non-sense and do not touch this sacred island!" - Jonathan Diaz, August 21, 2013
- "I don't consent this practice, if tax dollars are going to be taken then they should be limited to protection not environmental destruction." - Zachary Fisk, August 21, 2013
- "I feel as though the military is expanding its presence unnecessarily. I think that in order to save this island, and more like it in the future, we ought to begin talking about shrinking the military itself. Perhaps this can be done through more cuts. I've spent 8 years in the military, and continue to work with the military as a civilian, and strongly feel that the military is

becoming way too big, influential, and expansive. I stand with you in hopes of seeing the preservation of this island." - Kristopher White, August 21, 2013

- "Are you not already masters of war? Do you honestly need to devastate more of our natural resources for the sake of war? What is this about the U.S.?" - Hester Appoyer, August 21, 2013
- "Because we need to protect the remote untouched biodiversity we still have, not blow it up." - tom Williams, August 21, 2013
- "Don't destroy this polynesian island and all the threatened and endangered species.!" - Kelly Holden, August 21, 2013
- "This should be important to EVERYBODY!!!" - Bianca van der Wiel, August 21, 2013
- "Biology" - 0, August 21, 2013
- "I have travelled extensively through this prt of the world, to destroy any of these amazing, beautiful, environmentally and culturally rich islands would be a travesty." - Jo Ruxton, August 21, 2013
- "The real question is How can NOT be important to anyone. Straight choice between endangered species and the protection of the planet for future generations or the mindless, needless destruction of human life through weapons. Sick" - Eleanor Taylor, August 21, 2013
- "My family is from these islands. I have seen the beautiful sunsets and felt the gentle ocean waves in the CNMI. This island is a treasure than cannot be replaced, and I know there are other alternatives that the military could find if they looked." - Debra Rantilla, August 21, 2013
- "Stop already with defense buildup and conventional bomb arsenal. Think outside the box!" - terry cambro, August 21, 2013
- "save the beautiful beaches ... save the animal who call this island home!" - shellie cannon, August 21, 2013
- "Because its the right thing to do." - Colleen Jogan, August 21, 2013
- "What is the US doing in other people's Country? Then they are going to destroy it.Where are the people's Rights to their land? USA stamping on non Americans yet again. Disgusting ." - Barbara Prescott, August 21, 2013
- "We have only one earth, it belongs to all who live here, not just humans, not just Americans." - Edith Louw, August 21, 2013

- "We should not be destroying ancient lands or biodiversity - we've destroyed enough and should be contained to those places." - Meghan Kelly, August 21, 2013
- "Keep weapons of mass destruction and nuclear weapons out of our homes." - John Chu, August 21, 2013
- "This is important to me because Im Chamorro, for the U.S. Military to destroy my home is outrageous." - Jack Castro, August 21, 2013
- "Such destruction in order to further propagare violence is a crime against nature." - Sam Bartlett, August 22, 2013
- "Preserve biological diversity - it is not a renewable resource in anyone's lifetime." - Sharon Lawler, August 22, 2013
- "No military or government has the right to destroy someone's homeland!" - Jyotishma Naicker, August 22, 2013
- "save planet" - XENIA SOULA, August 22, 2013
- "To preserve the beauty of the island made by mother nature as well as the living creatures on it. Also, CNMI has to come to a better solution in making money by expanding the island than destructing it." - Emiliana Reyes, August 22, 2013
- "I am of Chamorro decent and I feel it is my duty to protect the islands for the future generations." - Robin Vargas, August 22, 2013
- "I lived in the Marianas for 3 years and enjoyed the beauty of several of the islands. Using an environmentally rich island for target practice is a very poor judgment call. Please reconsider." - Darlene Barrett, August 22, 2013
- "what do u mean why is this important to me ?! it is a freaking piece of nature and our home and earth ! please stop this idiotic action" - Mohammad Amirisefat, August 22, 2013
- "We need to protect land that is biologically and geologically diverse. We have already destroyed more than our share. Save this island." - Ann Oliver, August 22, 2013
- "We need to protect the beautiful places that are left in the world." - Karen Fink, August 22, 2013
- "How can ANY sane human being destroy a tropical paradise, let alone for such a bafflingly petty reason?!" - Spencer Brant, August 22, 2013
- "These islands need to be saved" - john venezia, August 22, 2013
- "Our world is ot a war park for a few !" - Pascal Maubois, August 22, 2013
- "It's important for the future." - Audrea Blas, August 22, 2013



- "Preservation of wildlife and human habitat" - Enrique Seman, August 22, 2013
- "To save this beautiful island that I'm hoping to visit someday! This place means so much to my father, it's his home and I wouldn't want to see it get taken over and destroyed." - Alexandra Kaipat, August 22, 2013
- "The question is" - 0, August 22, 2013
- "islander pride" - andre ursua, August 22, 2013
- "threatened and endangered species, some of which are found nowhere else in the world, should not be slaughtered - eradicated from the earth for ever - just so people can practice combat skills" - sara verrall, August 22, 2013
- "The Marianas Islands are my home and have been for the past 63 years - please reconsider." - Anne Gorby, August 22, 2013
- "I'm sure the Marines have destroyed enough islands already, why not go back to one of those instead of destroying yet more rare and beautiful species of plants and animals?" - Charlotte Williams, August 22, 2013
- "Species conservation anywhere on earth is a top priority. Letting them go in favor of training activities to help kill more humans and non-humans is not acceptable." - Sabir Muzaffar, August 22, 2013
- "Because I want my kids, grand kids, great grand kids, and so forth, to be able to see what beautiful things and islands I have seen. If the military were to use pagan, they are just destroying so many lives, homes and etc. God didnt give us lands so we can waste it to bombings and such." - Francine Santiago, August 22, 2013
- "We need to protect this sensitive and beautiful island for the preservation of biodiversity, and culture." - John Trehy, August 22, 2013
- "Protecting our planet's last pristine biodiversity hotspots should win over military testing everyday, everywhere!" - Shawn Kefauver, August 22, 2013
- "Destroying an entire island, it's terrain and wildlife and affecting the rest of the environment with pollutants just to test military weapons that we know contain uranium and the like - that you have already used in Iraq and Afghanistan on people, just doesn't make sense." - Erica Kierulf, August 22, 2013
- "There is no logical reason to destroy paradise to practice hell." - Owen Gale, August 22, 2013

- "I am signing because I care, I know the people who are originally from there, they're my friends and families." - Francella Iginoef, August 22, 2013
- "To preserve the natural life there." - Kevin Iginoef, August 22, 2013
- "The planet is full of millions of unique life forms, we cannot just allow the military or navy or anybody to destroy them. The lifeforms on this planet are numerous, but finite." - Michael Fuentez, August 22, 2013
- "Because this has been done to other islands of the Pacific and the effects are negative and hurt the entire world." - Kory Jones, August 22, 2013
- "This is simply a waste. There are already islands the US can use that have already been destroyed by previous live fire exercises." - Kirk Demlinger, August 22, 2013
- "I am a Chamorro raised to respect Mother Nature. It breaks my heart to hear this!" - Peter Diaz, August 22, 2013
- "why? i love nature and cant understand this!" - felix Benzmüller, August 23, 2013
- "I BELIEVE THAT DESTROYING THIS ISLAND IS AN INTRAGAL PART OF THE ENVIROMENT OF THESE BEAUTIFUL ILANDS!" - GERSON MICHELSON, August 23, 2013
- "My father and my in-laws are from pagan, and my husband was one of the victims when Mt. Pagan Erupted. Wanted to bring our children and grand children there and live as long as we possibly can." - Marianne Kaipat, August 23, 2013
- "In this day of simulated everything, why blow up a real island? Use one that already has been destroyed." - Janice Stanley, August 23, 2013
- "The world is not yours to destroy. Work for peace not practice for war." - Bill Harvey, August 23, 2013
- "I do not support the destruction of fragile ecosystems, especially to that for "testing" reasons." - Michael Burns, August 23, 2013
- "Its important because ALL living and breathing species and plant life are required for a balanced eco system. If you continue to destroy everything that this earth provides soon there will be nothing left and and you can say good bye to the human race. This island is beautiful, untouched, god given and you have NO RIGHT to touch it. How about you spend some of that much wasted money on people in poor countries who have no food, no water and no roof over their head. Grow some common sense otherwise you will soon be judged." - Jami Wright, August 23, 2013

- "Pacific Islanders have very close connection to their islands and surrounding. This very project denies Chamorros and Carolinians their basic rights as indigenous peoples and culture." - Albon Ishoda, August 23, 2013
- "Because we can never replace our natural environment." - Michael Garner, August 23, 2013
- "Jamey told me to sign" - jack syme, August 23, 2013
- "These islands are a national treasure and not a disposable product." - Mary Rolufs, August 23, 2013
- "Ecologically significant." - Cylene Rantilla, August 23, 2013
- "Because this island is pristine. The military need to find a ruined area of the world to use. Save the pristine areas so people can enjoy their beauty." - Kathleen Lee, August 23, 2013
- "This would be a wanton and unnecessary plundering of an exceptional ecosystem that is essentially irreplaceable." - Linda Hollingsworth, August 23, 2013
- "The beautiful Marianas Islands are my homeland where I was born and raised. Not a test site. This makes me so upset!!!!" - Natalie Whitlock, August 23, 2013
- "We need to protect our delicate ecosystem and endemic species like those on Pagan." - Joseph Gronwald, August 23, 2013
- "There is no rhyme, reason or excuse to run rampant all over the planet to destroy things of beauty or anything else just for the practice. Look at all the "incidents" where we have had no plan and not finished the job. Viet Nam, Iraq, Afghanistan, the world trade center . . . We huff and puff and that's about it. Either send the military to do a real job or don't. Why practice to do NOTHING ! ! !" - Michael Handy, August 23, 2013
- "This is a historical island and should be saved for the Future." - Charlene Pierce, August 23, 2013
- "Not another Target Island" - aimee pacheco, August 24, 2013
- "We need to protect the Earth, not smash it up." - Irene Gale, August 24, 2013
- "As if the destruction in the ongoing wars around the world isn't enough" - Ernst Pendl, August 24, 2013
- "Keep the impacts of war away from nature's refuges and traditional owners lands" - David Noonan, August 24, 2013
- "The US Military is one of the biggest polluters on the planet and destroyers of natural habitat, people, and life" - JAN STRAIN, August 24, 2013

- "Our Non Profit, The International Society for the Preservation of the Tropical Rainforest, I'm the CEO & Founder of it for the past 28. We've been working in the Peruvian & Brazilian Rain Forests & know how delicate the balance of nature is. Destroy one island & you will be destroying our animal, insect & plant evolution & habitats. PLEASE YOU MUST NOT DO THIS HORRIFIC & TRAGIC ENDEAVOR. . THANK YOU AS EACH TIME YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS IT EVENTUALLY WILL DESTROY OUR HUMAN RACE & WHERE WILL WE GO? . . ." - Roxanne Kremer, August 25, 2013
- "For our kids" - Kary Ramos, August 25, 2013
- "The environment deserves constant attention and the loss of biodiversity for military purposes is foolish and irresponsible." - Andrew Derrington, August 25, 2013
- "Damage will be done and it is not ok" - sally mitchell, August 25, 2013
- "The US military has conducted a war on the environment since the end of WWII. It must stop now." - Dian Deevey, August 25, 2013
- "The inhalation of a jewel of nature as Pagan in favor of the practice of war, is a vial practice. It takes an ignorant brain to decide in favor of this practice. Wake up." - Patrick Caldwell, August 25, 2013
- "The question is why isn't of prime importance to every single person in the world." - Robert Kennedy, August 25, 2013
- "I believe all life is precious including plants and animals." - Eoin O'hAodha, August 25, 2013
- "Why ruin this beautiful Island?? Or any other environment? Terrible!!" - William & Katrina Dresbach, August 26, 2013
- "This magnificent island should not be destroyed so boys can play with bombs. Stop this insanity!" - barbara sher, August 26, 2013
- "Why intentionally destroy endangered species? It goes against common sense!" - Shelley Childs, August 26, 2013
- "No need to destroy island for testing. Use old ships or somewhere already impacted. God would have us live in harmony and respect of all living creatures." - Steve McIntosh, August 26, 2013
- "Too many natural places have been lost already and we can't afford to lose anymore. Also, we have lost respect for humanity and indigenous people." - Lawrence J Dente, August 26, 2013

- "We need to begin preserving natural areas and indigenous peoples homelands for future generations, not destroying more. seems like humanity is bent on destroying the planet that supports us and in doing so, ourselves." - Mike Rawnsley, August 27, 2013
- "I lived in the islands as a kid....love them and don't want to see them destroyed" - Rachel Stewart, August 28, 2013
- "this island is important to my father" - cassandra kaipat, August 28, 2013
- "The delicate balance of nature is more important than people and their wars. Please respect this ecosystem." - Jen Huddleston, August 28, 2013
- "All of the environment is important and the military is out of control" - Edgar Beaver, August 28, 2013
- "Its home to me" - Maiku Miyazato, August 28, 2013
- "I am a Chamorro who lived on Tinian. I live in the US and still call CNMI my home. We are a US citizen and have the right to stop this outrageous request. I vote no! Pagan is part of our heritage. A historical landmark!" - Maryann Nichols, August 29, 2013
- "It is a very wicked thing to do. To destroy a island so naturally beautiful.for no good reason. It just goes to show you mankind to truly the most evill creature on earth!" - Debra Haynes, August 29, 2013
- "It is important to me to save my Northern Islands because it is my home and where I want my future generations to see as their home too." - Aisha Rebueng, August 29, 2013
- "It's not right. Plain and simple." - Daniel Burmester, August 31, 2013
- "Its a beautiful place and its part of a chain of islands where i grew up" - Tasi Limtiao, August 31, 2013
- "I know a LOT of people, including myself, who would want to visit Pagan Island, without the US military training there. I even know a couple in the military themselves who don't want to see Pagan Island ruined." - Yui Ito, August 31, 2013
- "I'm signing because I don't want to see one of my friends lose their home." - Megan Savage, September 01, 2013
- "If we continue to destroy beautiful environments like this, what will there be left to enjoy besides ash and debris." - Miles Furuichi, September 01, 2013
- "Environment is beautiful" - William Crowley, September 01, 2013
- "This is a very special area and should not be potentially toxified or environmentally degraded." - Chris Phillippi, September 01, 2013

- "Such beautiful locations shouldn't be destroyed like this! Have bombs stopped working?" - Jenna Schweizer, September 01, 2013
- "Every bit of Environmental protection in the Marianas is necessary" - Jonathan Salas, September 01, 2013
- "save nature!!!!" - maria Hoevers, September 01, 2013
- "We have seen the destruction on the slopes of Mauna Loa and Kahoolawe, and the dangerous, unexploded ordinance left behind after decades of bombing and military shelling. Clean up and restoration of these locations has been prohibitively expensive. And what good comes of it? Nothing but wasteful and unnecessary target practice." - James Scanlon, September 01, 2013
- "The reduction of defense spending and the protection of beautiful places on Earth" - Edward Brekhus, September 01, 2013
- "My friend grew up here." - Miranda Mills, September 01, 2013
- "Please save pagan island so that future generations can visit it. This island is home to many beautiful plants and animals, many of them found nowhere else in the world." - Frank Mather, September 01, 2013
- "I am not of Chamorro decent but I have come to love Guam and would hate to see any island of the Marianas fall to military testing." - Tyler Nowling, September 01, 2013
- "Keep it beautiful and pristine. The military should be made aware that nature is not the enemy." - ross fink, September 01, 2013
- "I lived in the Northern Marianas for over 17 years." - Paul Riley, September 01, 2013
- "I live on Saipan." - john fraser, September 01, 2013
- "I have lived in the Northern Mariana Islands and am well aware of the ecological fragility as well as the rights of the native peoples." - Sonya Schmoll, September 02, 2013
- "For environmental and endangered species protection." - Elitza Stoilova, September 02, 2013
- "We can't destroy all the untouched places on the planet. What would be left?" - Sally Wallace, September 02, 2013
- "I grew up in the Northern Marianas Islands. This area of the world is one of the prettiest and most untouched by human affairs. Let's keep the Pacific peaceful." - Kelsey Wallace, September 02, 2013

- "we need to keep what land we have let soon their want be any." - Juanita Irwin, September 02, 2013
- "I am person of Micronesian blood. Our islands are sacred lands to us and everyone else. Not only are they valuable to the people of the islands but also to the rest of the people in the world. Ecosystems with so much biodiversity and novelty in such density could lead to huge pharmaceutical breakthroughs, and therefore economic prosperity." - Jeremy Taitano, September 03, 2013
- "I don't believe US global hegemony is a cause worth sacrificing anything for, much less this beautiful national treasure." - Mikhail Plungis, September 03, 2013
- "Don't kill the environment!!!!" - Matthew Luhn, September 03, 2013
- "I am a social scientist who has done work in the area including oral histories with part-time and former residents of the area." - Dawn Kotowicz, September 03, 2013
- "These actions are disgusting. The Military's job is to protect the people of this country. Yet, in the process of training it to do that, the government is simultaneously destroying the lives of an entire culture." - Samuel Blattner, September 03, 2013
- "Isn't it bad enough that they "bombed paradise and put in a parking lot"? Now they want to bomb one of the last earthly paradises and leave behind a devastated, polluted and shattered landscape. May God spank the Pentagon silly and send the generals to bed without dinner!" - Gar Smith, September 03, 2013
- "We need to keep this and other beautiful island for people not bombs" - Becky MacIsaac, September 03, 2013
- "I love islands!" - Rigoberto Fuentes, September 03, 2013
- "Friends Reside there" - Jereme Sanders, September 03, 2013
- "My friends family lives here and they have every right to continue doing so." - Andrew Obenreder, September 04, 2013
- "Because my friends family lives there and its just fucked up. it blows my mind taht the military still needs to test shit...wheres the love?" - Daniel Mannino, September 04, 2013
- "There is NO PRICE TAG whatsoever that can replace the sacred cultural homeland of my Chamorri ancestors and fellow Chamoru to date, esp. with the abundant natural and marine habitats and subsistence living in ALL our Islan Gagani siha." - John DLR. Bolis Gonzales, September 04, 2013

- "wasn't bombing Kahoolawe and ruining that island enough? this is Gods gift,do not destroy it" - Kirsten Anderson, September 04, 2013
- "Protecting natural resources should be a priority... I don't see any benefit coming out of the military's plan" - Justin Frevert, September 04, 2013
- "I feel that nature that can only be found in places like Pagan Island need to be preserved, not obliterated." - Cullen Scheland, September 04, 2013
- "Coral Reefs surround Pagan Island and live-fire training and other practices will negatively affect the coral reef, island, and surrounding area." - Dalton Zerkowski, September 05, 2013
- "I don't want this island to be butt raped" - Jocelyn MacAleese, September 05, 2013
- "Pagan is an important fishing place. Save Pagan!" - Jeanne Chouard, September 05, 2013
- "marine animals are my friends" - agnes barber, September 05, 2013
- "This is a pristine island, and one cherished by my indigenous family in the CNMI. Thus, it has tremendous cultural and environmental significance and should not be made into a military wasteland." - Lynne Bruzzese, September 05, 2013
- "Its my land that God gave me ...why destroy it!!" - sheila herwin, September 05, 2013
- "Its important to have a island where people from the Marianas can experience a life lived by our ancestors" - Andy Atalig, September 05, 2013
- "Pagan is important to me because I don't want the U.S. Military to turn it into another Kaho'olawe disaster. There are other places in the world. Don't destroy our islands anymore. We don't have much in the CNMI, but Pagan is still HOME to the people." - Gabriel White, September 06, 2013
- "I AM FROM THE NORTHERN ISLANDS AND MY FAMILY MULTIPLIED FROM THERE." - ANTONIO JOSE ANGUI, September 06, 2013
- "my kids future n heritage" - PAM PHONGSAY, September 06, 2013
- "we need all the land mass and all the resources that we have. we are small islands. We have donated to the natural marine monument 3 Islands and the water resources (PEW)." - Antonia Hossain, September 06, 2013
- "My parents and ancestors were born and raised there. I would like to return to live there, if we were given the chance to get an agriculture homestead. i have a dream of setting up a tourist attraction of a refaluwasch village as we lived in ancient times; no modern convinencies. the tourists would ride the canoes upon arriving on Pagan. spend the day



being entertained by the arts & crafts and local serenading band." - RITA CASTRO, September 06, 2013

- "It's God's gift and home to many islanders. Respect Mother Nature...SAVE PAGAN!!!" - Lisa Camacho, September 06, 2013
- "Why does the military have to destroy one of our nature, wild sanctuary, and the beautiful island of Pagan? No-no no!!!" - Kazunori (Kazu) Ikeda, September 06, 2013
- "A good friend of mine was one of the biologists who went to Pagan to study the diversity there." - Lauren Camp, September 06, 2013
- "I cant imagine what impact it would have on the Mariana islands people. We are talking about how a part of home can be destroyed. God forbid, this will only bring danger closer as well if we do not stop this." - Sirena Santos, September 07, 2013
- "The Marianas are beautiful islands with unique culture. I've spent more than a year living there. Much of that culture has been eroded through multiple rounds of colonialism. It's quite embarrassing. Let's not continue the embarrassment." - Stephen Vance, September 08, 2013
- "Pagan is the birth place of my father." - Emma Farmer, September 08, 2013
- "I grew up on Saipan (1969 to 1998) and have many fond memories of trips there before and after the volcano. The US already has one entire island and part of another for excercises. Besides the people, there are a lot of wildlife, including the Northern Marianas Flying Fox (Fanihi) which has only recently gotten off the endangered species list! Let's not let Pagan become another Kohoolawe!" - suzanne wright, September 08, 2013
- "We have to start REALLY working to save the environment. Please stop these military plans!" - Joyce Ramig, September 08, 2013
- "I grew up on Guam. As my dad was in the military and my mother originally from Guam, we still have family members living there also. It is a beautiful island that should be left with at peace." - Mallory Scott, September 08, 2013
- "Why do we need another bomb target? Leave Pagan in its natural beauty!" - Janet Tufvander, September 09, 2013
- "Because those island are apart of us ; the CNMI . we need those island , our ancestors grew up from those islands. a dump site is the last thing were gonna ever do to those beautiful islands." - Merissa Fitial, September 09, 2013

- "We should not be destroying pristine places for war toys." - Drew Martin, September 10, 2013
- "The Northern Mariana Islands is my home and Pagan is our "Crown Jewel"" - Yvonne Taisacan, September 10, 2013
- "It's important to me because I have yet to visit it and one day hope to with my kids. It's a treasure that needs no destroying" - Kayla Igitol, September 13, 2013
- "One word..."Preservation" - Edson Limes, September 13, 2013
- "Because I want my children to live up there." - Louise DLG. Hofschneider, September 13, 2013
- "Because, it is part of my Commonwealth, and although I have been to places farther than my neighboring Island, I dream that one day, my family and I will have the opportunity to see this natural beauty and serene of a place I always hear about." - Alina Cabrera, September 14, 2013
- "The military doesn't have to destroy environmentally important sites, but it are no sanctions to prevent its doing so. This is just wrong." - Dian Deevey, September 14, 2013
- "Because its my children childrens future!!" - Derek Joaquin Teregeyo, September 15, 2013
- "military has no business in Pagan." - Josepine Sablan, September 15, 2013
- "Respect culture, respect history." - Glenn Nagao, September 16, 2013
- "Crown Jewel it is! Contains felsic, igneous rocks that are relatively rich in elements that form feldspar and quartz; rich than iron, silicon, oxygen, potassium, alluminum, sodium. Hello?! Common rock is granite which currently runs at \$3,000.00 per 3ftx6ft over at Hong Ye hardware. After all tries of CNMI to invest, this may be the best potential now to manufacture rocks, glass, etc for exports rather than import. Hypothetically, Should bombing continues, this may cause enviromental calamities such as mother nature doing the same act. Like messing with a nerve on a cavity." - Marcia Calvo, September 16, 2013
- "I know a few family members from there and would rather have them live there because they WANT too and it's their rights!" - Lillian Bennett, September 16, 2013
- "It is important as Pagan's rugged and natural terrain, resources, and people should be protected. If the people of the CNMI wanted to allow it for military operaitons, they would have done so like Farallon de Medinilla. They'd didn't. So the island deserves to be protected from military activities and maintained for its natural resources, fishing and people. To use such an island for live-fire training is to destroy an area when other areas are already agreed

to by the CNMI. The military only WANTS more--- it doesn't NEED more." - Robert Torres, September 16, 2013

- "Pagan is Rota\Luta" - Kent Atalig, September 16, 2013
- "Because I've experienced the beauty the northern islands, specifically pagan, has to offer. Turning it into a militarized zone is just wrong and unfair to the indigenous people of the Northern Mariana Islands." - Jose Quan, September 16, 2013
- "It's important because we cherish our land, the natural produce that grow there, the wild animals that run freely....isn't it enough they are telling us what to eat and what not to eat? If they start bombing there, who is protecting the endangered species?" - jAMES ADA, September 16, 2013
- "It's a part of my life because it lies within the CNMI!" - Pete Manglona, September 16, 2013
- "To preserve our islands beauty and it's natural resources." - Raymond Diaz, September 16, 2013
- "Its important to me because I love the Environment and I really hate pollution! And Im staying in the MARIANAS!!!!Home is my HOME!" - KC Lynn Barcinas, September 16, 2013
- "I have an obligation to protect the ecosystem for the generations to come." - Mary Anne P. Borja, September 16, 2013
- "It's important to me because I do not want to see a part of my home islands being destroyed. Pagan is an exquisite place with its diverse plants and animals and destroying a piece of art would be such a waste. Also, the few Pagan inhabitants would have to find a new home and that would not be fair to them." - Vilhelma Manglona, September 16, 2013
- "Keep our islands safe and inhabitable to our growing generation!" - Deann Andrea Gonzalez, September 16, 2013
- "This is important to me because I am against the military from using Pagan Island for training knowing it will harm endangered species and affect the most habitable of the northern islands in the CNMI." - Jerrika Atalig, September 16, 2013
- "I have very fond memories of this area and to see it destroyed for unnecessary reasons makes no sense to me." - Frank CELino, September 16, 2013
- "Instead of adding Pagan to its list for target practice, the military ought to stop the FMD destruction. How about another petition to protest FMD." - Jacoba Seman, September 16, 2013

- "Why is the United States always looking to remote island nations to do its nasty weapons test? Remember Bikini Atoll? The U.S. is already bombing an island in the N. Mariana Is. and now it wants to take another beautiful island? Enough weapons testing, destruction of land, air, and sea, killing of countless creatures of the air, land, and sea! Once you let the U.S."in", there is no way to tell what"other" kind of weapons of mass destruction will be used here, in our air or in our water. I do not trust the United States govt. anymore. This govt. approves GMO products that destroy the health of millions of its own people. Europe and Asia have banned GMOs but the U.S. still approves and allows it for its own people! Who knows what other kinds of tests will be secretly done in our island waters?! The U.S. Navy is already on its way to killing millions of sea creatures with their latest sonar tests. I do NOT approve of the U.S. military conducting any more weapons test in our island region!" - Carmela Sablan, September 16, 2013
- "I have visited Pagan Island twice and it is one of the most amazing islands in the world. It should be protected not abused." - Martin ZELEZNIK, September 16, 2013
- "We need to preserve our natural resources, not destroy them!" - Lorraine Cabrera, September 16, 2013
- "why should we have military use pagan... for what purpose? will it better our island or the people, will it benefit our future will it stop all the crimes that is happen in our island, or will it better for the economic , so before we start selling our island or land to anyone ask why?" - Beverly Ngirmekur, September 16, 2013
- "Because this is my freakin land. You US have other lands that you can use for bombing go elsewhere!!!!!!!!!!!!!" - Eduardo Diaz, September 17, 2013
- "Many islands have already been sold for testing, we can't let this happen to our home. Please sign and fight to keep Pagan!" - Cayla Sablan, September 17, 2013
- "To keep Chamorro lands in Chamorro hands...stop colonialism." - Jeffrey Sablan, September 17, 2013
- "Using a Pacific Island as a site for weapons testing has never ended well for the indigenous people. Why would we expect this to be any different?" - Soleana Demapan, September 17, 2013
- "Because Pagan is a beautiful place filled with resources, that many people can use. Also the island can be for people who want to settle in a quiet and peaceful place. So I say Save Pagan!" - Maricel Atalig, September 18, 2013

- "To help the beautiful island of Pagan." - Alvin Jake King, September 18, 2013
- "We still do this crap? Haven't we bombed enough yet?" - Miriam Timmer-Hackert, September 18, 2013
- "We must stop destroying the earth. We must stop war and violence and live in harmony with nature. This island is beautiful and must not be destroyed by our military." - Susan Thompson, September 18, 2013
- "Dropping bombs will pollute the island for decades." - Jennifer Calkins, September 18, 2013
- "This island is too WONDERFUL to destroy. Continue using an island that has already been destroyed, instead." - Alan Lawrence, September 18, 2013
- "The childish, irresponsible actions of our military, (blowing up stuff to see if our bombs work), is an embarrassing example of our failure to become civilized. This arrogant, thoughtless behavior has got to be stopped." - Phil Seymour, September 18, 2013
- "My uncle was at Bikini. I know what can happen." - Carolyn Scarr, September 18, 2013
- "This beautiful place should never be used by the military or any organization that would seek to destroy habitat for endangered species." - Deborah Gavel, September 18, 2013
- "I believe we should preserve the environment as much as possible." - Michael Brownfield, September 18, 2013
- "A well trained military is important, but training can be accomplished at any number of locations. The number of pristine ecological environments globally, on the other hand, is declining, and once destroyed, can never be replaced. This island has history, great beauty, and potentially unique ecology and biodiversity. Preserving these is far more important than short-term goals like the convenience of local training for our south pacific stationed troops. Do not repeat the tragedy of Bikini Atoll, once of the most shameful chapters in U.S. Military history." - Jacob Levin, September 18, 2013
- "We bombed Bikini. What are we going to do, tear up another one of their islands. It's stupid & unnecessary. I'm sure there's a island in the pacific that's barren & worthless that can be used." - James Bishop, September 18, 2013
- "I spent 20 years in the Navy and Marine Corps. I am a retired HM1. It is pure insanity to take a perfectly inhabitable island with fresh water sources and good land for gardening that could support a small local community and instead destroy it. We have plenty of bombing ranges in the region. Why waste more valuable land? The world community is not best served by this." - Rob Bagley, September 18, 2013

- "Preserving nature is important, not deconstruction" - stasia yoshida, September 18, 2013
- "Would you allow your home to be bombed, invaded? Are you kidding me!!!" - John Chapman, September 18, 2013
- "Weapons have similar characteristics regardless of where they are tested. There are NO valid reasons for opening new testing grounds for any of our armaments." - Raymond Phoenix, September 18, 2013
- "It saddens and angers me that the U.S. still behaves a a bully. What right do we, or any other nation, have to do this? I believe that a basic human right is to be able to live on your own land without jeopardy." - beverly lewis, September 18, 2013
- "Unbelievably stupid! Stop right now!" - Carol Oberg, September 18, 2013
- "The destructive insanity of militarism must be stopped. Just look at this beautiful place and the extraordinary species that thrive there. What kind of monsters are we?" "We are a virus with shoes" - Bill Hicks." - Mike Willis, September 18, 2013
- "The creatures who call this island home have as much a right to exist as we do. If live training exercises are needed one of the many locations we have already destroyed should be put into use." - Kathleen Wolfe, September 18, 2013
- "Pagan is home to several endemic species found only in the Marianas and also, an island that was once inhabited by my ancestors." - Joshua Villagomez, September 18, 2013
- "We are destroying this beautiful planet at an alarming rate." - MaryJaye Simms, September 18, 2013
- "We have little enough wild space left. No need to destroy any more." - Terri Moore, September 18, 2013
- "Constant destruction, no matter where on the planet Earth, is devastation to all life. Stop "flexing your muscles" because "you are the US government" and cancel this plan. You still have the opportunity to stop this. As a taxpayer and human of this planet, I refuse to support this project. When will you realize that destroying is not the answer. Many habitats CANNOT be "reclaimed" or mitigated in anyway back to their original state. From creatures too small to the naked eye, to the creatures whom hide for fear of humans--PLEASE DO NOT MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS!" - Vicki Robertson, September 18, 2013
- "haven't we destroyed enough ?" - michael fleming, September 19, 2013
- "Is the US going to bomb the Galapagos next?" - Bret O'Connor, September 19, 2013

- "Its my peoples home. Its our life. Its part of our island chain. Its home to other species that we no longer have. Its our resource. It should be respected like any other peoples home. Why choose my home to obliterate? This island will become useless, uninhabited after using for military exercise. Among all the places in the world, why choose one of the most beautiful places on earth? The Military & the U.S. will definitely benefit from it, and how will this benefit us the people of the Marianas? You are a father, a mother, a daughter, a son, a brother, a sister. You all should understand how that feels to have something taken away, especially for no good reasons. and military excercises is not a good reason for me or anyone just to come here and destroy it. It takes seconds to destroy, it takes many, many years to rebuilt. If you really care & respect the living, its common sense not to disturb it. As a U.S. citizen, its no different from attacking your own country. You have used Farallon de Medinilla for your military exercise, which we were all againsts. Now Pagan. What island is next? This is no different from a terrorist." - Leila Rogopes, September 19, 2013
- "It matters to me that our military should not be bombing beauty and rare biodiversity such as this island which is precious to the people who live there, and to a personal friend who lived there." - Rita Varley, September 19, 2013
- "This is colonialism at its worst. When we can allow a group, whether it is a super power or any other group, to assume the rights on anything to the extent that it feels itself free to destroy it, we are living in the worst sort of dictatorship. With power comes responsibility - this is a huge abuse of power." - Julie Razryadov, September 19, 2013
- "I don't like the destruction of a beautiful place and creatures for this purpose. It is cruel." - Lenette Beagley, September 19, 2013
- "I am tired of military destructiveness and wastefulness." - Lynne Compton, September 19, 2013
- "it is important to preserve any natural habitat this world has left for our ecosystem and basic human morals." - Rachel Cowan, September 19, 2013
- "Peace not war!" - Suzanne Walker, September 19, 2013
- "we are rapidly running out of habitable sites as this. we also show extreme arrogance by ignoring indigenous peoples and forcing relocation/abandonment. find another site. lots already exist and are barren due to our short-sightedness." - roger herota, September 19, 2013

- "Distruccion of a natural habitat to many living things is wrong!!!" - shari withey, September 19, 2013
- "I am a memeber of the Florida Army National Guard and a combat vetran of Iraq and Afganistan. So I know the U.S. military can use simulations instead of live fire exerciszes and also continue to use land they currently occupy for live fire, they do not need more. overuse of live ordinance is a wast of taxpay money as well as unecessay envionmental degregation issue. With simulator technology live fire excesizes are less necessary. They are still necessary, yet not as much, so current sites that are used by the U.S military for live fire should be enough. That is why the military has live fire in areas such as the desert, where there is less enviornmental impact." - Michael Allgood, September 19, 2013
- "The real questions is why are we moving to bomb on this beautiful island? I haven't heard a good enough reason so far." - Stacy Gibboney, September 19, 2013
- "We must learn from our history! What ever the reasons were for bombing Bikini Island was not worth the disastrous and life altering effects the island, the people, and the wildlife/plants are suffering through till this day! Why must we give up another one of our beautiful pacific islands? Why must they take an island so untouched and unspoiled and pollute it with their"live-fire training"? This island is SCARED and BEAUTIFUL! Let is remain as it is!" - Mayumi Ogumoro, September 19, 2013
- "What a waste of both a place and taxpayers dollars. The Military should go bomb something, if they absolutely must, that has already been destroyed. How stupid to pick something untouched. This kind of action is what turns the public away from supporting our military." - Joni Bosh, September 19, 2013
- "This is totally unnecessary destruction. Stop the madness." - Allison Kateley, September 19, 2013
- "If this proposal is as described, it's utterly inconsistent with the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, to which the U.S. government has subscribed, and questionable under specific U.S. historic preservation and environmental laws as well." - Thomas King, September 19, 2013
- "Because its part of my home" - Joseph Tudela, September 19, 2013
- "Bombing any part of our Earth(Planet) is dangerous and have repercussions." - Claude Townsend, September 19, 2013



- "It is our home. beautiful and does not deserve to be a target." - Alisa Emwalu, September 19, 2013
- "There's been enough damage to the Marianas by the Marine Corps and the Navy. Stop it now. I suppose I feel a personal connection to the Marianas. In 1947-48 when I was about 4 years old, my family lived on Guam at a military base. My father was a Marine officer, and this was his second tour on Guam. He had also been there towards the end of WWII. I was one of the first Caucasian children the natives of Guam had ever seen, so I was treated like little royalty. The Chamorro people should have the right to determine the future of the island, not the Marine Corps." - Nancy White, September 19, 2013
- "Having spent time on islands in the Marianas and elsewhere in the West Pacific, I know how unique the biodiversity and cultural diversity of these islands is. These are resources to be preserved, not destroyed. Larger powers need to act like "civilized" societies and respect other cultures and pristine environments. Using up these islands and displacing their cultures to benefit for profit or "convenience" is environmentally shortsighted and culturally unacceptable. We need to find real solutions for the messes we create, not sacrifice others who have less power." - Carol Hopper Brill, September 19, 2013
- "For our kids, and the native people that have lived, love, and cared for the island." - Nobert I. Pangelinan, September 19, 2013
- "I am a Chamorro, originally from the island of Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands." - Regina Ann Torres, September 19, 2013
- "Mass destruction of any part of our Earth, in the name of "practicing for war," is an obscene consideration! How could any civilized, intelligent Nation conceive such a plan!" - Suzanne James, September 19, 2013
- "The Northern Mariana Islands is home to my family and Pagan is our "Crown Jewel" also home to many species and wild life. To destroy this Island for military practices is absolutely INSANE!" - Leilony Taisacan, September 19, 2013
- "I am Chamoru and this is our land." - Scott Naputi, September 19, 2013
- "Because I love the islands!!!!" - Stephanie Ricketts, September 19, 2013
- "This is not a good idea." - Searsyleen Saimon, September 19, 2013
- "We need to save and preserve the island and it's people." - Andrew Crisostomo, September 19, 2013

- "Its such a beautiful island, My dad originated from the Northern Island and then moved to Saipan." - Shiabe Bok Daga Pangelinan, September 19, 2013
- "There are numerous amounts of animals and species there. Pagan island is a very beautiful island that the military would want to wreck and it is not the first." - Ignacio Reyes, September 19, 2013
- "Stop the government/military from taking over the island of Pagan! Stop destroying indigenous species and habitat. Respect the land!" - Feora Cadina, September 19, 2013
- "The Chamorro people should be able to decide whether or not to have it bombed or not. This is a sad example of "eminent domain"... please leave our islands alone." - Stephanie Schilling, September 19, 2013
- "no more destroying islands for the military." - shantee brown, September 19, 2013
- "Because the ecosystem needs to be saved. We will all be affected. We must preserve natural beauty that is not polluted." - Jonathan Goins, September 19, 2013
- "This island is part of our Mariana Island chain wherein natural wildlife live. Why do any countries have the option to bomb the natural habitat and natural resources? We must stop this behavior!!" - Maria Espinoza, September 19, 2013
- "The military already has enough impact areas. This amounts to nothing more than senseless destruction" - Jeffrey Eiffler, September 19, 2013
- "ITS MY ISLAND!" - zodeanna aldan, September 19, 2013
- "Because I was born and bred in the CNMI .. it was and always be my home." - Karen Doctor, September 19, 2013
- "To protect our paradise from the destruction of mankind." - Cristina San Nicolas, September 19, 2013
- "I lived on another Mariana island, Saipan. Way too beautiful to be messed up by the government! Leave the island alone!" - Karen Pyles, September 20, 2013
- "destroying animals, human culture and the surface of the earth for military training is arrogant, stupid, selfish, repugnant and pathetic." - steve smith, September 20, 2013
- "it's a home to all of the northern islander(s)...and it's where you'll find many creatures if you may and animals dwelling there(it's their home )why destroy what mother nature has given us?!!!..... please leave it alone...." - alvina aquino, September 20, 2013
- "I was born on Saipan. Would really hate to see this happen to a sister island!" - Melinda Burnett, September 20, 2013

- " threatened and endangered species, some of which are found nowhere else in the world" - rachel clemons, September 20, 2013
- "The Island is part of my home. It is beautiful. I can't let military exploit and destroy it as they please..." - Ian Romolor, September 21, 2013
- "That any island, but especially one as significant and beautiful as Pagan would be considered for "bomb practice" is obscene." - Robert Hunter, September 21, 2013
- "Because it is my mother's birthplace and she would want us (her children) to keep it away from bad people and because it is rightfully ours!" - Raymond Anthony Kapileo, September 21, 2013
- "We have to save the beautiful nature of this island." - Kuntz Kazuko, September 21, 2013
- "Hasn't the US Military destroyed enough of the Earth already? Why not do Live Fire training on islands already destroyed by such practices?" - Alexander Zayachkov, September 21, 2013
- "It's ignoring the indigenous rights of Pagan Islanders, and the devastating environmental impacts that such activity will certainly cause." - KEITH STRICKLAND, September 21, 2013
- "Hell, My father grew up in Paga with his family and it belongs to the indigenous people of the Marianas. The military can use Battle Simulation centers!! Oh its not the real thing??? Go to the States and bomb there!!! When the military takes over, the fishing areas will be restricted!! Get out of here, we don't need your military in the marianas bombing our islands,we read all about the Bikini atolls and other islands the USA had destroyed and taken away from the indigenous people and resettled them elsewhere!! No one is living in Paga!!! So what! it belongs to the Chamorro, Whoever sold the souls of the people to the United States so they can change from the Federated States of Micronesia to now CNMI.....They can sit on ground zero and catch the bombs.... REALLY....This is what the people get, a right to US passport and live in the USA and the USA does what the hell they want??? USA, take your troops and go to the US mainland and play bombing there, we've had enough of your greediness!! STAY OFF PAGAN ISLAND and the whole pacific region!!!" - Antonio Leon Guerrero, September 22, 2013
- "SAVE THE WORLD" - Starost Thorsten, September 22, 2013
- "We have to save Mother Earth!" - Kuntz Anika, September 22, 2013
- "Leave Pagan alone!!" - Lilikoi Muusers-Litulumar, September 22, 2013

- "I can't believe the military is still destroying pristine places!" - Robbyn Jackson, September 22, 2013
- "Save Pagan! We all need to save Pagan because the people who used to live there don't want to move back. Why not? They're too fat and happy with modern conveniences that Saipan has to offer. At best, there are four to five people living on Pagan at any given time." - Man Agaha, September 22, 2013
- "Because I am an American and do not approve of what my government is doing!!" - Kate Emrich, September 22, 2013
- "Military usage would drastically mutilate and destroy a virtually untouched ecosystem." - Nicole Sablan, September 22, 2013
- "The Island of Pagan history has to be respect and let's not destroyed what we have now, cause if destroyed it's gone forever and we cannot replace them, so think about it, and let's save Pagan Island and the rest up north of Saipan cause the environment is so rich, instead of using for military training, let's us it on a better way," - Juan Diego Camacho, September 23, 2013
- "Please DO NOT let Pagan become another Kahoolawe, Hawaii... many years were of trials, demonstrations and protest to get the Island back and to STOP BOMBING!!!! Clean up continues after many years of allowing the Military to destroy an Island and Ancestral places of the Hawaiian People!! Get SMART CNMI dont let it happen to Pagan or anywhere in the CNMI!!!!" - Robert Harrell, September 23, 2013
- "As a physician I serve world wide 'cleaning' up the effects of toxic war games in people, the land, air and ocean. CANCERS and other fatal diseases. Please STOP this possible posioning of the world! thank you" - Valerie Lane Simonsen ND, September 23, 2013
- "The father and mother were at one time residence of these islands. These islands meant a lot to the people who were there before the eruption. I love to leave in these islands one of these days. My children and the generation who will follow would love nothing more than to continue what our elders did before then. To the US Leaders in Congress" - 0, September 23, 2013
- "The military does not need to destroy a beautiful island that is home to people who had to evacuate because of the volcanic eruption. The island is their land, their home, and the military can choose a site that is uninhabitable - like the islands they have already bombed." - nancy flood, September 23, 2013

- "I worked as a pediatrician in the CNMI for a decade. The local people very much see themselves as from each of the many islands, including PAGAN. While recent volcanic activity has forced residents to temporarily relocate to Saipan, they all feel this is temporary and have every intention to return. This island is theirs, by history, by all that is right. It is NOT appropriate for the military to attempt to take it over and use it as they wish. This island is the property and culture of the native islanders. Do not destroy what is theirs." - William Flood, September 23, 2013
- "Enough trampling on the rights of indigenous peoples." - Dawn Wolfson, September 23, 2013
- "Go re-use Bikini Island it will give your troops a more realistic environment to train in." - Mario Romero, September 23, 2013
- "Can we stop destroying beautiful islands full of endangered species please?" - Joseph Aylward, September 23, 2013
- "It's a natural resource and needs to stay with it's founding people!" - valorie szatkowski, September 23, 2013
- "Although I'm currently serving in the United States Marine Corps, the CNMI is still my home and would like to save our islands beauty for our future to see." - Ambrose Ogumoro Jr, September 24, 2013
- "I live here!!" - sara Forti, September 24, 2013
- "This area is so unique and vitally important to the intrinsic ecological balance found there." - Kaye Grubb, September 24, 2013
- "I support Sea Shepherd and the peac e mov't. If the military goes ahead w this- it will be one more reason to resist them by all means necessary. Let me know what happens. I am a diver!" - david eberhardt, September 24, 2013
- "Beautiful Island needs to be protected from ordnance." - Richard Guerrero, September 25, 2013
- "Keep CNMI Lands, In CNMI Hands. The Spirit of our ancestors is in the Soul of our children, the land is our identity of where we came from and where we belong, without it, we will be lost forever." - Coach ., September 25, 2013
- "The people of the Marianas have given much over the years to support the United States, in particular sons and daughters who served in the military. It's time for the U.S. government to back off." - Arthur Meilicke, September 25, 2013

- "Its my Nino and his families special place." - esmcleebert siten, September 25, 2013
- "love and respect" - Freeman Intown, September 25, 2013
- "The youth must take part in the fight to sustain, and preserve." - Amada Rabauliman, September 25, 2013
- "Do not destroy Pagan!!" - Prescilla Stanton, September 25, 2013
- "My father was born here on pagan island in 1943" - Joan Santos, September 25, 2013
- "Because there are families living on the island and the US is just going take it away from them. They aren't thinking about if it were them living in the area. And plus it will effect the other areas near Pagan." - Rhysanne Denise Hizon, September 26, 2013
- "I was born and raise in the CNMI and I want to save all our beautiful Islands from getting destroyed by outsiders. This is our home. Leave it alone and go elsewhere to do your business there." - Nora Torres, September 26, 2013
- "because thats my mom home town" - Arlene Ngiraked, September 26, 2013
- "On Guam, we're having issues of historical lands being used for military expansion - with 1/3 military bases alone. Some of these sites include Chamorro historical sites. Overall, I know exactly what displacement feels like." - Jiana Salas, September 26, 2013
- "Save an unspoiled paradise for future generations" - Greg Morse, September 27, 2013
- "CUZ NEED belong to the people of the NMI." - ERNEST CRUZ, September 27, 2013
- "Due to the ecological and historical ramifications. We've lost enough of the world's history and wildlife already." - Tim Stanton, September 27, 2013
- "It is my homeland. I have family members that live there to this day!" - Leah Hocog, September 27, 2013
- "My significant other is a native to these islands" - rudy campollo, September 28, 2013
- "This is senseless and deeply unjust!" - J.V. Connors, September 28, 2013
- "Why should nature be destroyed so that the American Killing Machine can improve their skill at ending life?" - Lee Wimberly, September 28, 2013
- "I've been there and shudder to think our military would wantingly destroy move in and destroy yet another island under the guise of military preparedness. Do No Harm!" - Don Anderson, September 28, 2013
- "Greedy military industrialists will not be content until all that is beautiful is gone. We must stand up and say"no!" - Kerry Bassett, September 28, 2013

- "The U.S. military has no right to destroy this island, a 'crown jewel' of the Marianas and they think they have the right to destroy it?" - Joyce Landry, September 28, 2013
- "part of heritage/culture" - Joseph Concepcion, September 29, 2013
- "My Father was born at pagan" - Allen Aldan, September 30, 2013
- "Witnessed the mindless devastation and improbability to ever clean up the hazardous waste at Kahoolawe" - Myra Brandt, October 01, 2013
- "why do they need to destroy something so beautiful.. let them use their deserts.. its a perfect area for destruction" - bigmama cooper, October 01, 2013
- "To preserve endangered species as well as the people and their culture." - Davina Gumataotao, October 02, 2013
- "My family originate from this island and has many reason for this island to be safe.We have been protecting the chamorro culture and this island would be one of the reason why our people exit" - Bobbie Jean Merano, October 02, 2013
- "It is imperative that the dismantling of the U.S. military industrial complex begin immediately, as well as other military industrial complexes on the planet, for the sake of Humanity, Earth, and the rightful inhabitants. Peace on Earth!" - Paula Jolly, October 02, 2013
- "Enough of the Earth has been destroyed and polluted due to carelessness and "noble" causes. Enough already, let's not pollute or destroy any more of our world." - Phillis Rosenthal, October 02, 2013
- "I am mortified by the destruction wrought by my government and the US military on Vieques .. the same cannot be allowed to happen here. Please stop this proposed destruction to the Marianas!" - Ellen Holcomb, October 02, 2013
- "The continued destruction of people, cultures and places have names, including" - 0, October 02, 2013
- "Saving any amount of the natural wildlife, no matter how small, is of the utmost importance to every human being. How else would you be here?" - Jenny Lauby, October 03, 2013
- "This would be a tragic waste of a unique island home to a variety of species. It would ruin it for generations to come....don't do it!!!!!!!" - Nancy Meany, October 03, 2013
- "Clearly, this is land that belongs to the people and the flora and fauna that are indigenous to it. Enough with the war games on other peoples lands. Enough with the war games on any land." - Mary Classen, October 03, 2013

- "The U.S. military is responsible for untold destruction around the world. Let's not permit this Pacific paradise to be destroyed also!" - Kathleen O'Nan, October 03, 2013
- "It's the right thing to do!" - Jane Conlon, October 03, 2013
- "WE must get away from the military industrial complex that treats rare jewels of nature as expendable trash!!" - susan rudnicki, October 03, 2013
- "to stop the dash to the abyss" - ken baer, October 03, 2013
- "Because I have been there and seen its beauty" - Bryan Jones, October 03, 2013
- "Stop abusing our precious and fragile islands. The U.S. mainland has more land mass for any military developments and be sensitive to our persistent opposition." - Margarita Olopai-Taitano, October 03, 2013
- "Why are we paying taxes to destroy all beings in a Beautiful Environment, this seems very uncivilized." - Meg Palan, October 03, 2013
- "Have seen the destruction of the natural beauty of the CNMI during my 25 years here. Adding the military damage is truly an insult to the people of the CNMI who were burdened by the devastation caused by displacing the Japanese. At least that effort was necessary to bring about the end of the war." - John Hardy, October 03, 2013
- "How dare you even think about doing this USA - you don't need bombing practice, you lot have already bombed the middle east to smithereens, go to hell and stop wasting tax money on this. Stop making the Rothschilds even richer by using arms. Leave this island alone." - Penny Dellow, October 04, 2013
- "The beauty and relative lack of military involvement in the NMI is not just a coincidence. Lets act now to preserve this beauty for us and our children by keeping the military out of Pagan." - Daniel Lamar, October 04, 2013
- "Isn't saving beautiful places from Military ruination important to anyone with a heart and a brain?" - Maria Ryan, October 04, 2013
- "This Island is home to ethnic peoples. It is a natural habitat where animals and vegetation still exist. Save it. Don't destroy. The world is getting smaller." - Armida Cook, October 04, 2013
- "So, that people in the north could have a good life." - Ld Ogo, October 05, 2013
- "Dont let the military spoil another place Keep them off of this island away from the islanders and the flora and fauna on this beautiful island" - Carol Dibbens, October 06, 2013
- "Born in the Marianas Is..." - David Flores, October 07, 2013



- "Our Land, Pride & Culture of Our People" - Skipp & Naomi Anthony, October 07, 2013
- "CNMI is my home, don't bomb Pagan!" - Jacquelin Wonenberg, October 07, 2013
- "We are against all war and violence and in favour of reserving the beauty of the earth for its people" - Justin and Anne Morahan, October 07, 2013
- "Because of the animals and plants that inhabit the island, its beauty, and the right of nature to exist undisturbed by military destruction." - Ann Prezyna, October 08, 2013
- "Because Land is rare in the Marianas." - Francisca Kaipat, October 08, 2013
- "It is my home" - Leilugh Kaipat, October 08, 2013
- "The Pacific Islands are where my family's from and they are very important to me. American imperialism is awful for everyone but the US government." - Hanna Yangilmaw, October 08, 2013
- "I'm half Chamorro" - Jacques Christopher, October 09, 2013
- "Military already too big & if they need a place find it in the 50 states not in our overseas lands!" - George Goncalves, October 11, 2013
- "I want to live there.....and the local food" - Frank Flores, October 11, 2013
- "The diversity of our planet should be cultivated, not destroyed." - Catherine Delnat, October 12, 2013
- "Can't we leave anything alone? Why does everything have to be trashed? Maybe the volcano will have the last say and put us all in our place???" - Dr Margerie Linton, October 12, 2013
- "When will we learn? The war machine has to stop we have to love our oceans and land as if it were our own bodies for without it we would not be." - Vicky Barnes, October 12, 2013
- "You should respectfully save the lives and the rights of indigenous Pagan islanders. Don't destroy ecological values and use places for training, which are used already for live-fire training. Beware, what's worth to be bewared - our nature, Otherwise you would not be better than the mafia of woodcutters and oilseekers." - Rolf Voss-Allmers, October 12, 2013
- "This island contains a lot of rare plants and animals, and shouldn't be used as a military testing ground. There's so much space in America. If you want to shoot/bomb/explode each other do it there!" - James Star, October 12, 2013
- "what is with the Yanks, destroy because munitions are their biggest money maker and to the hell with the rest of the world" - annette scholfield, October 12, 2013

- "To destroy a unique and beautiful island, home to many stunningly beautiful animals, wildlife and reefs for the sake of a military training ground is disgusting. So much beauty in this world has been destroyed - surely there must be some places that should be saved from devastation." - Jackie Brown, October 12, 2013
- "Saving nature in all her forms is important to me. We might need Pagan island some day." - Kim Siren, October 12, 2013
- "There is beauty here and bio-diversity that must be respected. Turning this island into a desolate toxic wasteland would be criminal." - Loraine Brooks, October 12, 2013
- "The U.S. Military must respect the environment just like everyone else! Leave this beautiful island alone; do not delude yourselves that because it is small and far away it is also somehow unimportant. We care!" - Rachel Lakhdir, October 12, 2013
- "We are already teetering on the brink of ecological disaster worldwide, and for what? The American Empirialists will stop at nothing to service the military industrial economy, and we must fight this inevitability at every opportunity. There has to be a better way. Such outrageous gaul!" - Rebecca Campbell, October 12, 2013
- "As an AMERICAN it shames me to see my country, supposedly an icon of freedom and human rights, use our military to trample on the rights of other people" - Marquita O'Connor, October 12, 2013
- "We have to protect and save the biodiversity of the world, since it is the unique planet in the universe having life. Everyone even the military could need oneday these resources. For a sustainable life on the world, we don't need to kill the living beings and destroy our planet." - Nezhun Gören, October 13, 2013
- "The protection of this wonderful island is so vitally important because every day the world is losing more of its irreplaceable biodiversity. Where are we going to stop? When there is NOTHING left?" - Peter Ashby, October 13, 2013
- "I love earth, I hate military. Why can't they do their exercises somewhere in the desert if they really need to, why destroy a paradise island in the pacific??. Fuck the US military!!!" - Leonardo Hintz, October 13, 2013
- "The islands are only a few square kilometers large. This leaves no possibility for the wildlife and the plants to recover after the exercises. We have to stop considering areas with little population to be of no value. As absurd as it may sound areas of high population have less

value than those because there is little or nothing live sustaining left there. Please spare Pagan Island." - Armin Arend, October 13, 2013

- "If an island needs to be used, use Kaho`olawe or Farallon de Medinilla." - Steve Howe, October 13, 2013
- "It is needless devastation of an invaluable and unique place.
- "Please, stop destroying my home!" - Karolina Ratajczak, October 13, 2013
- "all living thing need as chance at life beside that GOD placed us here to take care of it" - minnie nord, October 13, 2013
- "Stop destroying our planet!" - Matthew Wojtkiewicz, October 13, 2013
- "Nature does not need to be destroyed any more! The natives of this island should be entitled to a safe home. How would you people like it if someone forced you out of your family home to destroy it?!" - Ashley Keer, October 14, 2013
- "Because humans destroy precious life and its disgusting and appalling ." - zoe clarke, October 14, 2013
- "The military should be ashamed of what they are doing to our planet." - Martin Wheeler, October 14, 2013
- "Nuclear testing should not be allowed ever. If USA wants to do military testing, let them do it on American soil!" - Yvette Huysamer, October 14, 2013
- "IT´S IMPORTSNT TO SVE NATURE TODAY" - LUIS CASTRO, October 14, 2013
- "this beautiful place cannot be destroyed....." - michael crow, October 14, 2013
- "save Pagan not only for us but also for our future generations." - Paul Lisua, October 16, 2013
- "Save Pagan." - David Selepeo, October 16, 2013
- "We have destroyed enough of the earth. We are no different then the people that lived 2000 years ago. We discovered tech. but not love that you say god has tried to teach people about." - Colette Devine, October 17, 2013
- "The military has enough"training grounds" and"live-fire ranges". it doesn't need to go blowing up unique islands for the hell of it. Clean up your current messes before you go making a new one!" - Christian Brock, October 17, 2013
- "Places like this need to be cherished and protected, not crushed over and over. Life here is occupying it's own microcosm and it must be preserved!" - Betty Monfette, October 17, 2013
- "Because it is environmentally important!" - Kathleen Boland, October 17, 2013

- "Aloha ?Aina!" - Kealii Pang, October 18, 2013
- "The area is biologically diverse and includes a variety of sensitive species found no where else. In addition, to close the surrounding waters for periods as long as 6-months poses hardships for the local community and especially fishermen." - Julie Leialoha, October 18, 2013
- "What is the point of destroying this beautiful place? The US military has bombed, strafed, incinerated, vaporized, and poisoned more people and places than any other country in the world. It is time for the war on people and the places they live to stop." - Dave Wilson, October 18, 2013
- "Blow up an island you have already blown up." - Bill McCracken, October 19, 2013
- "Partly because we promised not to do damage to the island in the original treaty, and partly because it is beautiful and rare..." - Nelda Ikenberry, October 19, 2013
- "This is the only planet we have and we need to take care of it, especially areas mostly untouched" - Peter Midbust, October 19, 2013
- "One must stand up for those denied justice." - Larry Phillips, October 19, 2013
- "It is one of only a few natural Islands left in the world that is unpolluted and free of radio activity. The military will destroy this beautiful paradise island only because they can once they get ahold of it what to stop them from doing nuclear test on this island. If Japan is allowed to dump there they will dump their nuclear waste, let them dump on their own soil." - Kevin Nace, October 20, 2013
- "My sister-in-law was originally from Pagan. If she were still alive, I believe she would not want the military to use Pagan as a live-fire training site. Her children are her survivors and they among other survivors should be considered before anyone else because they are heirs to her estate." - Jackie Muna, October 20, 2013
- "It is wrong for the US military want to use an island for training and destroy a beautiful place. There are people who live on the island and they should not be removed." - Jonathan Pitt, October 20, 2013
- "Because we are DESTROYING our EARTH!!!" - Ondrea Culp, October 20, 2013
- "This island is full of natural beauty, is a biological treasure, and is the ancestral home to a people. Enough said." - Benjamin Udo, October 20, 2013

- "The US has completely destroyed too many islands. Pagan island is irreplaceable and must be protected from this senseless destruction. The people and all life on the island deserve protection. This military madness has got to stop!" - John Wagner, October 20, 2013
- "I am a native islander from the Marianas (Guam) and am currently off island for school, so i will do whatever i can to support the cause from the mainland!" - Brandon Unpingco, October 20, 2013
- "I am from the Marianas and I don't think the land should be obliterated for military training." - Mika'ele Cruz, October 20, 2013
- "To save my Island." - Rosie Charfauros, October 21, 2013
- "I grew up in the Marianas and progress has changed the face of the more inhabited islands. To have an untouched spot like Pagan, essentially a time capsule, is a beautiful thing." - Patrick Bates, October 21, 2013
- "I am a native of the island of Guam and although I currently live in California, if I ever heard of MY hone island being turned into a bombsite, I would be DEVESTATED. I know there aren't any human inhabitants but there are tons of native wildlife to think about. This island is one of the worlds surviving paradises that should be left untouched. One of God's given Heaven On Earths. And also, just 200 miles away from Saipan, a VERY populated island, I'm sure it would have enormously negative consequences for the natives living there. By saving this island, we are in turn saving s population of humans, wildlife, nature, and paradise that we would otherwise not get back" - Michaela Nace, October 21, 2013
- "Two words. Bikini Atoll. The US has done enough in this area of the world. Leave it alone." - Susan Ring, October 21, 2013
- "Because the world and its best interest is important to me" - Leslie Christison, October 21, 2013
- "As most of you have seen our Planet has been devastated by Natural disasters after another, not to mention the deforestation, Chemical dumping, Air pollution, etc. Islands are our life's breaths since the Amazon has been mostly depleted which use to be 70% of the Worlds Oxygen and now only 35% if that. They are the habitats for birds and other creatures that have had to adapt to human population. All play a very important role to even Survival. I se to live in the Mariana's "Guam" for nearly a decade. I have seen the WW(( photo's of what the Islands of not only Guam, but Saipan and Tinian were completely devastated from the tops of palm trees to the Pitted ground from the bombs needed to be

dropped then. I believe not only Pagan Island but all the Islands need to be spared! I have a solution to previously military zones already used which is reuse and set up a diorama if you may so it can be used over and over again. I would be willing to share in better detail and low costs to do so. . So I explorer you, please allow us the breathing space, sounds of nature"life" cures to be discovered and the paradises everyone needs in this unsteady World. Thank you in advance!" - Blu Rivard, October 21, 2013

- "Its important to me because pristine land is scarce and we can find other places for live exercises! Dr. Fabian Haas, FRES" - Fabian Haas, October 21, 2013
- "This island is too important to too many species of wildlife! Enough already." - Nancy Brown, October 21, 2013
- "As someone who values biological diversity and all that is beautiful in this world, I am disgusted at this plan. Hawaii's native fauna and flora are already so close to extinction (well, the little that's not already extinct)." - Brittany Benson, October 21, 2013
- "LOOK AT IT!" - R. B. Richardson, October 22, 2013
- "I have family members who lived on Rogelap and Majuro in the 1960's and 1970's." - Paula Lozano, October 22, 2013
- "We should not be living in an era where it is OKAY to destroy our natural treasures simply for reasons of"training." Find more innovative solutions that don't require such senseless destruction." - Seth Patterson, October 22, 2013
- "This is a valuable ecosystem, and can bring far more value in eco-tourism then what will be spent destroying this natural treasure." - Matthew Hyner, October 22, 2013
- "we have done enough damage - this has got to stop!" - Madeleine Sandefur, October 22, 2013
- "i want our environment to keep living" - Brenda Joyas, October 22, 2013
- "Why doesn't the military clean up the planet instead of devastate more land? We want to be a world leader in cleanup - NOT devastation." - Nancy Horne, October 22, 2013
- "We already have enough places for the military to bomb. They do not need to destroy another island!" - Liz McQuaid, October 22, 2013
- "Time to stop wanton destruction of the natural treasures of our world." - Penelope OConnor, October 22, 2013
- "The Military is irresponsible and idiotic if they destroy this island for anything weapon related!!!!!!!" - Aja Rodriguez, October 23, 2013

- "I can not imagine that somebody would even think about doing such a damage & destruction to our Mother Earth. It is evil and insane." - Inguna Galvina, October 23, 2013
- "I would like my great-grand-kids to have at least a little bit of Earth left to love and explore." - Jennifer Ann, October 23, 2013
- "It would kill the wonderful experience of being in Guam. One of my favorite places on island..." - George Djaboury, October 23, 2013
- "I hate to see more habitat loss of threatened species including the native peoples who live there." - Linda Butcher, October 24, 2013
- "Destroyiing this for no reason (and yes I mean no reason) is utterly absurd and tragic." - Laura Cleveland, October 24, 2013
- "Pagan should be preserved as a natural wonder. It should not be destroyed by the military." - David Moran, October 24, 2013
- "I joined PEW to get the northern islands as part of the MTMNM before Bush left office. Now, this is what's happening to one of those islands. It is not a barren isolate location in a remote part of the Pacific. It has cultural and environmental significance and the voice of the people should be respected and not used as a military artillery target by the United States' DOD." - Kimberly Vaillancourt, October 25, 2013
- "The Islands are my heritage, they are my home." - Robert Perez, October 25, 2013
- "After living in the Northern Mariana Islands for five years, I consider it my second home. I don't want to see such a beautiful natural resource taken over by the military." - Meaghan Hassel Shearer, October 25, 2013
- "Enough with the bombing of tropical islands." - Brad Parsons, October 27, 2013
- "The takeover of lands and waters used with reverence by indigenous people must stop, or the planet will not support human or animal life for much longer." - Lisa Savage, October 27, 2013
- "survival of the planet" - Sarah Roche-Mahdi, October 27, 2013
- "The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is a small land-limited island nation. Turning one of their most biologically diverse islands into a permanent garbage dump for a wealthy country is an ill-fated and atrocious act." - Gary Curtis, October 27, 2013
- "war is obsolete. you want to continue your practice runs do it in your own country. see how your pop. likes it then. hands off what's left of semi pristine. stop killing everything." - jenny gray, October 27, 2013

- "we have destroyed enough of the earth, time to stop. has largest and most expensive military ever known. they don't need target practice on another environmentally delicate beautiful place." - Steve Clark, October 27, 2013
- "pristine island,don" - 0, October 28, 2013
- "Another example of US militarism run rampant." - Kevin Martin , October 28, 2013
- "This petition is important to me because the island should be a nature preserve not a bombing range or live firing range." - David Johansen, October 28, 2013
- "It's just so wrong when there is so much devastation already in the world, how can anyone be allowed to do this!" - Nikki Weeks, October 29, 2013
- "Areas of outstanding natural beauty with unique wildlife are becoming increasingly rare. The destruction of yet another such place would be a great sin against humanity." - , October 29, 2013
- "Please stop destroying the mother earth. The place is much more valuable and important than those meaningless military activities." - Ng Yue Hua, October 29, 2013
- "This is senseless violence against other beautiful creatures and is a violation of the rights of the human beings on the island. There comes a point where I have to wonder if certain men on this planet just enjoy destroying things. They should be stopped." - Erin Nix, October 30, 2013
- "Keeping nature alive!" - Leen Celis, October 30, 2013
- "Enough damage to our world ..FOR WHAT ?" - Elaine Leslie, October 30, 2013
- "has the world gone completely mad??? that this is even contemplated???" - Alison Burnard, October 30, 2013
- "Seriously, have we not had enough of blowing places up and destroying the environment in the name of some perpetual war so that a few people can make a killing ... literally. Is it not time that we as a species evolved beyond our childish behaviors." - Samyo Dalgarno, October 30, 2013
- "world peace" - Yee Yiklim, October 31, 2013
- "Studying indigenous people and Western colonialism has alerted me to the lack of justice and still current un-fairness still experienced by many groups affected by the Western colonial expansion. This is wrong! The US should not be bombing the island for practice!" - Patricia Appleyard, November 01, 2013



- "There are plenty of other places that can be used. Once this is destroyed it will never come back." - Kathryn Dunigan, November 01, 2013
- "I am a "Conservative" and even I think that we must STOP destroying the Earth" - Donald Gindelberger, November 01, 2013
- "It is a unique place. there are plenty of other things to bomb why there???" - Joe Parrette, November 01, 2013
- "Why, there are plenty of suitable areas already used by the military in the USA?" - Barry Page, November 01, 2013
- "life and beauty" - Lynn maust, November 01, 2013
- "what a fucking waste." - rick pinch, November 01, 2013
- "Absolutely crazy to destroy an island that offers so much to humanity. Insane is probably a better word to describe this atrocity against peaceful people, fauna and flora. Back off America and be responsible in the community of man and its inhabitants!" - George McIntyre, November 01, 2013
- "Please don't blast another unique biodiversity home to pieces!" - Jennifer Renton, November 01, 2013
- "Do you need to ask? Isn't it obvious, rational, and moral to consider all life to be sacred? Aren't there already too many destroyed places where they can play their mad games without further damaging the life support system?" - William Hailer, November 02, 2013
- "It is a disgrace that an island like this would be destroyed." - Gerald Patrick O'Bryan, November 02, 2013
- "Haven't enough places of paradise in Oceania been severely environmentally damaged, if not destroyed in some cases?? This would be outrageous violation of the island's native inhabitants, and an environmental catastrophe!!! I am not opposed to the U.S. Navy's need to conduct training exercises, but NOT IN THIS WAY, AND NOT HERE!!! YOU HAVE OTHER OPTIONS, NAVY!!! AND YOU DAMN WELL KNOW IT!!! Hasn't the U.S. caused enough environmental and ecological disasters in the Gulf, Caribbean and the Pacific by now ??? When will it STOP???" - Lilly R., November 02, 2013
- "Wild life is SACRED!" - Laurs Rodrigálvarez, November 02, 2013
- "Because if it is really necessary to do these kinds of exercises they can find much more desolate/non-living targets. What a waste! Completely stupid plan." - Michael Fantuzzi, November 02, 2013

- "The beauty in the earth is important to me." - Gail Caiola, November 02, 2013
- "We destroyed part of the Marshall Islands to test the atom bomb eighty years ago, and we are still apologizing for it. There is a sizable community of Marshallese, whose home we destroyed, living here in Arkansas. They don't fit here, they are unhappy and make their neighbors unhappy. Learn from our mistakes. Don't destroy the homes of Pacific Islanders. There is no good place to do these tests and exercises. We cannot afford to spend so much on the military, in any case. Our government should look for more peaceful, more sustainable solutions to our international problems." - Doris Dehne, November 03, 2013
- "It is completely unnecessary. There are many ways to test weapons systems without destroying a unique ecology." - John Crawford, November 03, 2013
- "we need to protect our island for our future generation" - MELISSA DIAZ, November 05, 2013
- "the military industrial complex had lost its mind!!!!NO punishment or accountability for destroying the last sacred places?????" - ADRIENNE KOVACS, November 05, 2013
- "Is this a real question? why do i think a beautiful place with thousands of wild life in danger should not be poisoned?"
- "War and the makers/supporters of war (militarization) can only do 1 thing" - 0, November 06, 2013
- "The same thing happened to the Hawaiian Island of Kahoolawe years ago, until a caring group of individuals stood together and demanded that the bombs stop being dropped. Now it is in the process of being cleaned up and transformed once again back into a haven of beauty. Enough of the devastation and destruction already. It's high time to bring protection back into a sensitive ecosystem and allow LIFE to flourish once again. Go drop your bombs and blow up things someplace else and let your conscience be your guide (if you have one)." - Brent S, November 07, 2013
- "We must save this sacred place." - marianna pinchot, November 08, 2013
- "With out our land and ocean we won't exist as a people or a culture. Do not destroy what makes us who we are. We have a right as people from this land and ocean to protect it and its inhabitants. I petition this military occupation especially for the development of war. We want peace for our land, ocean, and people all around the world. So NO to testing, bombing firing range, and occupation of our islands for any military use. Why don't we fund Peace instead of war for a change." - Jared Catahay, November 09, 2013

- "This is important to me because I was born and raised on Guam. Moving to Los Angeles in 2010, I have realized more and more how different and special the island of Guam is. With the enormous military presence and the strong Western influence, its extremely important to protect and preserve what is left of the island, people, and culture. BIBA GUAHAN!!!!" - Jason Jabinigay, November 09, 2013
- "Born and raised in Hawaii and I have seen the damage military has done to an island and ones home by 'practicing'." - Tash Pagdilao, November 09, 2013
- "If you can tell me why the US military does not want to perform these tests on American heartland soil, then you'll know why I don't believe that the tests should be conducted on Pagan Island." - Brandon Lee, November 09, 2013
- "Natural Beauty and Habitat will never be replaced." - Felix Chaco, November 09, 2013
- "it is the home of my ancestors and culture" - HOWARD GUTIERREZ, November 09, 2013
- "Love thy neighbor." - Edd Lacuata, November 09, 2013
- "If you want to ensure your national security, then take your tropps out of the rest of the world and defend your borders from within. train your troops, test your weapons of mass destruction within your borders. lets see how many us citizens will support your terror then. We say NO!! SAVE PAGAN! FREE THE MARIANA ISLANDS!" - Kie Susuico, November 09, 2013
- "NO MORE!" - Sharon Willeford, November 09, 2013
- "The u.s. military has no business using ANY PACIFIC ISLAND as a testing ground. They know testing causes much devastation that is why they choose to do it elsewhere instead of their own country (which isn't even theirs. STAY OUT!!!" - michael taijeron, November 09, 2013
- "This place is a landmark just the simple beauty of the place is historical and a peaceful place to the islanders we dont need stupid military shit on it cause they are just overruning what beauty we have left on the island" - Hiroki Guzman, November 09, 2013
- "Protecting and preserving our culture." - Andrew Savage, November 09, 2013
- "My grandfather's family farmed and fished at Pagan. Grandpa was born there along with many of Chamorros' ancestors. To date the island provides for the people of the Marianas.Turning it into a firing/bombing range is so wrong for many reasons dear to the people." - Edward Catahay, November 09, 2013

- "Not allowing the descendants of Pagan to return to their homeland is a crime. The one thing they aren't making on this planet anymore is land, so why would we destroy more of it???" - Lorraine Murphy, November 09, 2013
- "There are already dead islands and barren areas of the continental US which are suitable for this purpose. Destroying or damaging this place would be a crime against nature if ever there was one." - Colin Kelly, November 09, 2013
- "Because our islands are sacred." - John Meta Sarmiento, November 09, 2013
- "We don't need anymore of our lands stolen from us!!!" - Dave Sablan, November 09, 2013
- "I promote in saving the island of Pagan." - Janessa Leon Guerrero, November 09, 2013
- "Because the Pacific is not a testing site for the US military!" - Alison Hadley, November 09, 2013
- "stop the destruction to human habitat!" - Tian Tan, November 09, 2013
- "This land and its resources are not for taking. Respect our environment. #OurIslandsAreSacred #SavePaganIsland" - Tiara Naputi, November 09, 2013
- "CNMI inhabitants have endured numerous occupations and have been used and abused enough. The military wouldn't get away with these plan on the mainland, why should they get away with it there? Do they value the Chamorro and other CNMI people less? For shame." - Heather Hadley, November 09, 2013
- "Why is life important? Why is bombing/killing/destroying bad? Anyone who can't understand the self-evident abuse of the planet here needs to be locked away from all living things for 1 year, then allowed to see a solitary dandelion. They'll be so overwhelmed by the beauty they will be ashamed of their previous desire to kill!" - Jonathan A Lien, November 09, 2013
- "I am Chamorro and the Marianas is my home." - Jessica Sablan, November 09, 2013
- "The indigenous rights and the environmental diversity" - Jeff Best, November 09, 2013
- "I am from Guam and I've seen the military take the best land of my island when I was growing up. They have since returned some land but I feel for Pagan Island being taken over by the military for no good purpose but destruction of the island environmentally." - EDMUND FLORES, November 10, 2013
- "to preserve the chamoru culture and mariana islands any way possible." - Joaquin Sablan, November 10, 2013
- "inhumane act" - Geraldine Datuin, November 10, 2013

- "The U.S. military has not shown good stewardship of the lands they have taken from the indigenous people of my island. They shouldn't be allowed to take another inch of land until they can remedy the damage they have already done." - Christopher Imler, November 10, 2013
- "The US military needs to understand that land is not a piece of worthless plastic that can be destroyed. Unlike that material, earth cannot be made again. They need to stop bombing everything that they think isn't important. If they need to practice bombing, do it on the White House lawn and deal with those after effects." - Ashlie Duarte-Smith, November 10, 2013
- "Because beautiful islands, people, etc. are not meant to be bombed. Didn't we learn this lesson a long time ago?" - Annie Murphy, November 10, 2013
- "Because I am Chamorro, because my roots are traced here, and because the US government is a bunch of fools who have never felt the beauty of being in tune with nature." - Chanel Salazar, November 10, 2013
- "Because the preservation of our natural resources takes precedence over military testing." - Thomas Johnson, November 10, 2013
- "Senseless destruction of the planet needs to cease. We have to spend energy restoring rather than destroying" - Tony Milton, November 10, 2013
- "I am from Guam and have learned of the devastating impacts live fire training can leave to an entire ecosystem...all of the Pacific. It is morally and ethically wrong." - Angela Hoppe-Cruz, November 10, 2013
- "To keep the colorfulness of the World and stop making unimportant acts by nations, like military exercises." - Endre Gyertyanos, November 10, 2013
- "I am from Guam in the Marianas. The U.S. Must not be allowed to conduct live fire training on Pagan. The island and islanders should be left in peace" - Antoinette Valla, November 10, 2013
- "there are people living there! and ecological diversity!" - emer mckenna, November 10, 2013
- "The Marianas Islands is my home...and the military knows no bounds or respect to destroy on of very few Marianas Islands...when they practically own the rest of them!!! Limiting our indigenous peoples right to their own God given land..only to return it in ruins and

contamination!!! STOP This now!!! Make them go the desert in CA or Arizona...stop killing off our islands!!!" - cecily bishop, November 10, 2013

- "because I don't want to see this natural habitat destroyed" - kim gibler, November 11, 2013
- "Standing in solidarity to protect Pacific Island(er)s, because our islands are part of us as peoples of the ocean. Militarization is another form of violence on the minds and bodies of Pacific peoples." - Lee Kava, November 11, 2013
- "Ignoring indigenous people and devastating entire ecosystems is NOT okay. Have some humanity!" - Emily Hsieh, November 11, 2013
- "We need to preserve the land for any animal life that inhabits the island---including any human-life that may want to live there!" - Marie Barretto, November 11, 2013
- "HEY!! Corporate US Military. THE WORLD HAS HAD ENOUGH OF YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!" - FRANCISCO VERNAL, November 11, 2013
- "A running trend in U.S. military's disregard for the well-being of people, when they expect to protect people (it's only a 'certain' people.) Absolutely irresponsible. I stand with the Pagan Islands." - Haruko Hashimoto, November 11, 2013
- "Because it's a beautiful island with a lot of life still left on it." - Michael Grajek, November 11, 2013
- "Peace" - Corey Little, November 11, 2013
- "This is important to me because I'm a human being with a conscience and this is wrong. In what way can it be right to destroy our own planet. Quit terrorizing our world, its ecosystems, and its people! This makes me sad to be a veteran." - Jamie Lurnoff, November 11, 2013
- "Because it is vital to the survival of the planet" - Ashlry Tester, November 11, 2013
- "This is important to me because Pagan is a very beautiful island, and it would be a waste to blow it up." - Jovic Caasi, November 11, 2013
- "why destroy a paradise?" - Kevin Fichtler, November 11, 2013
- "The Pacific is not a playground for US militarism" - Adam Sharah, November 11, 2013
- "Fanggogue I Tano'-māmi!" - Brandon Cruz, November 11, 2013
- "I dislike war, I like nature." - Eric Crossley, November 11, 2013
- "Not another lost culture, not another dying language. Keep the islands clean of this pollution." - Jewel Lazaro, November 11, 2013
- "No person has the right to rape and pillage this world." - Lupin Skellein, November 11, 2013

- "It's time to protect our world, focus resources on those in need and demilitarize." - Graeme Auhl, November 11, 2013
- "Chamorro" - Ray Torres, November 11, 2013
- "This is important to me because the only thing as important as preserving our culture and people is preserving our land." - Kyle Tenorio, November 11, 2013
- "It is wrong to destroy, we have enough training areas already." - Lee Dooley, November 11, 2013
- "We have no right to destroy that ecosystem!" - Don Bass, November 11, 2013
- "OUR ISLANDS ARE SACRED !!" - EMILIA ROSE HEUTON, November 11, 2013
- "I am a Chamoru who lives in Rhode Island, and strongly believe in the indigenous rights of Chamorus to protect the CNMI from environmental devastation. I also believe that the environmental toll of US military operations has a lasting and detrimental effect on the health of our entire population." - H. Yvette Koch, DAC, November 11, 2013
- "Unique habitat and there is no reason to destroy it." - Devin Cumpston, November 11, 2013
- "You can't replace this natural beauty. Look what happened to Kahoolawe Island in Hawaii." - Jesse Babauta, November 11, 2013
- "Sacred lands shall remain sacred" - David Perreira, November 11, 2013
- "People losing their homes to the environment and we will blow an island up?" - Numangatini Mackenzie, November 11, 2013
- "Please don't destroy our planet for military reasons. It's inhuman. Leave Pagan Island alone please." - E B, November 11, 2013
- "It's important to me because signing off Pagan to become a "live fire range" as described above is, more accurately, to allow the obliteration of precious land that people call home. This is simply wrong. It is especially unjust as those that consider Pagan home have never shed aggression to the world, let alone the type of aggression that the artillery and bombing of Pagan promotes. In the larger picture, there will inevitably be adverse effects from such destruction - environmentally and socially -- to the communities in the region that will likely be irreversible. My children, and yours, do not deserve such consequences. They deserve better." - Nic Groves, November 12, 2013
- "The military and war, at best, is the lesser of two evils that we accept because it minimizes the effect of destructive people. If we can't develop and train our military without causing

unnecessary destruction, we've already lost in the grand scheme of things." - Noah Ahmed, November 12, 2013

- "Who are we to deprive future generations of Pagan? The U.S. Military needs to think beyond destruction." - Desmond Wilson, November 12, 2013
- "Our culture and our land is sacred to us, to the people. What will we have left to show the generations after us, if not craters and expelled brass that was over looked. We have to preserve our island and our culture. Destroying the island is not and should not be an option." - Christina Adelbai, November 12, 2013
- "What will we have left to teach our children at this rate? Think of our culture, our heritage, our ancestors, our future childrens children, our EARTH! Please preserve this island and stop the military!" - Dena Rendon, November 12, 2013
- "Preservation of these natural treasures is more important to me than military exercises." - Richard Pendleton, November 12, 2013
- "spouse's family are native to the region" - TODD REEBER, November 12, 2013
- "It is crucial to protect this fragile ecosystem and the people who live there." - Naomi Fisher, November 12, 2013
- "The Marianas Islands and her people have historically lost so much due to outside political forces. Please stop taking from those who have given generously but do not have much left to give." - Diane Mitchell, November 12, 2013
- "It is irresponsible and wrong. I am Chamorro and this should stop now. Us should use desolate areas of other countries that we give a lot of aid. Why destroy a piece of paradise? There are many existing test sites that are sufficient for military needs. There should be no reason to add to the list of islands destroyed by US military. We are all aware of the environmental and cultural impact and none of this can be measured in our lifetime. I protest this blatant disregard of the right of the indigenous people, Chamorro's, to have an opinion on what directly affects our right to freedom." - Jesse Sablan, November 12, 2013
- "I've worked on Kaho'olawe and the destruction I have witnessed should not happen to any other island again." - Shannah Young, November 12, 2013
- "A beautiful, diverse habitat should not be destroyed by any military. It deserves to be cared for and sustained by its indigenous people" - Megan Graham, November 12, 2013
- "Preserving the natural beauty and wonder of the few island nations is of paramount importance for generations to come." - Rachel French, November 13, 2013



- "I have friends who live in the Northern Mariana Islands." - Niha Jain, November 13, 2013
- "Our Islands are Sacred" I am a Chamorro woman who has pride in her islands' history and future; hence, I would to save what's currently in existence for the future. Why should we allow the US military to yet again use more of the Mariana Islands, or any Oceanic island as a testing ground? Do they not recall what has happened to the Pacific Islands in the past - not just to the human beings themselves, but the land and the wild and ocean life animals. Are we supposed to forget what had happened in Bikini Islands, and its effects? Etc!!!" - JamieLynn Mantanona, November 13, 2013
- "biba chamoro" - Christopher Aguon, November 13, 2013
- "I live in the Pacific and do not want our environment destroyed for stupid weapons that will likely only kill innocent people anyway." - Matthew Gardner, November 13, 2013
- "Our islands are scared why use it for acts of war or to say the start." - Jose Lizama, November 13, 2013
- "Because all lands are sacred and just because we are a minority, this does not mean we can be taken advantaged of and disrespected." - Aguarin Iriarte, November 13, 2013
- "Please don't destroy this beautiful land for war games!" - Perla Cavazos, November 13, 2013
- "I grew up in those waters. A huge part of who I am and the best memories I have as a child, live in those waters and on that land. Many other people who share that, as well as creatures and inhabitants, call Pagan "home". It's beauty and history were not created for the purpose of target practice at the disposal of man. We have enough tragedy and loss to last us an eternity, please leave this stone unturned." - Karina Ludwig, November 13, 2013
- "As a Chamorro I am outraged that our sacred lands are being used in this way. Biba Chamoru! Biba Pagan!" - Peter Toves, November 14, 2013
- "I am a fellow Chamorro from the CNMI. Pagan is part of the 14 islands that make up the CNMI and I help support them." - Jasmine Blesoch, November 14, 2013
- "Pagan is a part of home and very dear to my heart. It's a part of me. Doing that to Pagan will be exactly like the same thing they did to Kahoolawe of the Hawai'i Islands." - wehilani atalig, November 14, 2013
- "I am a U.S. Soldier and been serving my country for the past 15 years. After serving my country and representing my island home of Guahan, I would like to retire knowing that our island chain is protected. As a Chamorro I would like to one day sail island to island and enjoy the wonders of its beauty. I understand the need to be trained and ready to fight our

nations wars, but don't let it be at the expense of a tiny ancestral island we call home. Si Yu'us en fan binendise." - Gerry Tedtaotao Balabagno, November 14, 2013

- "These plans trample on the rights of the inhabitants. This is just wrong." - Linda Gross, November 14, 2013
- "These military plans hurt my feelings and rights deeply." - guochou shi, November 14, 2013
- "I'm Chamorro and I care about the Pacific Islands. What the military is doing to the islands is not right and needs to be stopped." - MarLa Perez, November 14, 2013
- "I am from saipan another island in the cnmi. Please don't destroy pagan, you already did this to one of our other island." - tyarah langdon, November 14, 2013
- "Outrage! Military should be finding better ways to conduct its business rather than destroying the beauty that is left in this world." - Hanaan Rosenthal, November 14, 2013
- "US must stop using the rest of the world as its playground for war games and respect the sovereign and human rights of other peoples." - Jo Errey, November 14, 2013
- "I would like to see an island that has not been tainted with modernization or any development. Furthermore, the natural resources that are on the island are irreplaceable if outside forces were to the destroy the naturalness of the island." - lorenda fuhlrodt, November 15, 2013
- "My Grandmother was born and raised there. It is one of our island history that should not be ruined or destroyed for testing reasons." - Jessica Sablan, November 15, 2013
- "I'm signing this because the CNMI is my home.." - Jessica ann Anderson, November 15, 2013
- "Why destroy a beautiful island? How arrogant!" - Jennifer Kent, November 15, 2013
- "I am from the CNMI, and I do not want to see one of our beautiful islands turned into a bomb testing site. These beautiful islands have seen enough of the devastation of war." - Katy Johnson, November 15, 2013
- "Recently visited Pagan and its a amazing place! would hate to see anything happen to it!" - Evan Thompson, November 15, 2013
- "Being from Guam, I am well aware of the number of native bird species that have been destroyed by the introduction of brown tree snakes. Many of these bird species still exist on Pagan, as well as other animals such as the fanihi, or Mariana fruit bat. Destroying Pagan means endangering these species further, possibly rendering some or all extinct." - Sean Forbes, November 15, 2013

- "I want to support all Pacific Island causes. It's time to for all indigenous people to have control of their lands." - Shanti Narruhn, November 15, 2013
- "Indigenous justice & peace. All people have the right to the land and water." - Luzviminda Carpenter, November 16, 2013
- "PROTECTING OUR ANCESTRAL LANDS!" - Juanita Salinas-Aguila, November 16, 2013
- "People (and wildlife) live here. Period. Play fight somewhere else!" - Nichelle Alderson, November 17, 2013
- "Islands unmarred by human hands should be left that way, not bombed. Protect it like the Galapagos, don't destroy it to test some new weapon for another war this world doesn't need." - Jaime Zapata, November 17, 2013
- "Protection of marine life!!" - Leigh Willmore, November 17, 2013
- "My partner's ancestors lived on this island. it is sacred. Stop bombing my planet!" - Katie Sue Campbell, November 18, 2013
- "to protect and carry on what our ancestors gave us." - Swanson Borja, November 18, 2013
- "beauty should not be ruined" - Kaysha-Rae Tyquiengco, November 18, 2013
- "you have other islands already !!!" - richard wallace, November 19, 2013
- "I live in Hawaii, I know how fragile island ecosystems are." - Cathy Granholm, November 19, 2013
- "The land belongs to the people of the Mariana Islands and not the US Military!" - Iris Carrera, November 20, 2013
- "preserving the beauty of the land" - jove jenn taman, November 20, 2013
- "Because these lands already BELONG to people. Generations of them! And the militarization of those islands take away their history with land." - Kiana Fuega, November 21, 2013
- "This is an insane plan. Why can't the us military just go back to one of the places they've already destroyed and run their maneuvers there?" - nancy stein, November 21, 2013
- "stop spoiling beautiful wild places for your war games!" - Serena Castaldi, November 21, 2013
- "We need to save natural places like this. We don't need to destroy the planet to"Practice" how we plan to defeat enemies. And of course because all the trees and plant life are important to our eco system." - Ashley Hinkle, November 22, 2013

- "I was born and raised in the islands of the Pacific. Please don't interrupt the beauty, serenity, history, and natural life that is the Pagan Island" - Shaylin Salas, November 22, 2013
- "The US military has already destroyed so many beautiful islands. Not one more!" - Rev. Deborah Lee, November 24, 2013
- "the 'Crown Jewel' of the Marianas, is again slated for certain environmental devastation, this time by a proposal from the U.S. Military to use it for 'live-fire training' which includes everything from artillery to bombing."ENOUGH OF THESE IDIOTIC WAR GAMES YOU STUPID AMERICAN IDIOTS!!!" - Daniel Jost, November 24, 2013
- "I do not support the proposed Mariana Islands Training and Testing activities. I recommend the 'No Action Alternative.' However, my recommendation of this alternative does not mean I support the ongoing training activities already occurring in the Mariana Islands. The Navy's training and testing activities pose severe threats to our islands.' You may choose to proceed with specific reason for choosing not to support training and testing activities" - Sabrina Chen, November 25, 2013
- "This island is history to my ancestry background, history that is being depleted and deleted from this earth by the day." - Vincent Cepeda, November 26, 2013
- "IT BELONGS TO THE ISLANDERS, NOT TO THE US GOVT" - ramona shelly, November 26, 2013
- "Because the Ocean does not divide us, it Connects us." - Maximilian Bardella, November 27, 2013
- "The Mariana islands & Islanders are one!" - Chris Roberto, November 27, 2013
- "Pagan is one of the last remaining natural wonders to still exist in the CNMI, let us keep this island treasure for future generations." - Johnny Aldan, November 27, 2013
- "This island is a gem and should not be damaged." - Brad Schaefer, November 27, 2013
- "I care about the environment" - Kellie Ciochon, November 27, 2013
- "Because US colonialism is something I want to see reversed or at least not continued any further." - Elliat Graney-Saucke, November 28, 2013
- "Nothing but destruction and pollution and health hazards will follow...." - Brandon Mardon, November 28, 2013

- "There are hundreds of existing sites perfectly suited to host these Military exercises. The additional acquisition of indigenous lands from natives is cruel and unjust." - Chris LeonGuerrero, November 29, 2013
- "I have visited this island twice in recent years. It has a truly amazing biodiversity and is a haven for mariners and wildlife alike. To be made a no-go area and trashed by the military would disadvantage all persons" - Walter Mayne, November 30, 2013
- "This is important because I am a Chamorro and preserving my homeland should be important to me." - Nicole Calvo, December 03, 2013
- "I have worked in the Northern Marianas and being from Hawaii, I was excited for the people to have the opportunity to increase their living standards with eco and other tourism. We finally stopped bombing Kaho'olawe--30+ yrs ago--but it is still not inhabited, not by Hawaiians or even tourists. It would be such a step in the right direction if indigenous peoples could re-inhabit their lands." - Dana Johnston, December 03, 2013
- "This is my homeland. This is the land of my ancestors. This land is sacred!" - Lasia Casil, December 04, 2013
- "they are infesting everything!" - kenneth jr., December 04, 2013
- "The United States should not damage or destroy tropical lives of people and animals! test bomb on your own motherland!" - vinni orsini, December 05, 2013
- "Land is sacred. We should never take it from people who are native to it and have roots, ancestors, and great respect for it. We should never use it for military use." - Alida Cardos Whaley, December 05, 2013
- "This is important to me because I believe that the U.S. government is misrepresenting the view of its people." - Anthony Nipert, December 07, 2013
- "If we keep blowing up and trashing our environment in the name of defense, there soon won't be anything worth defending!" - Alexandra Kerr, December 10, 2013
- "This is dangerous and an insult to Island life and culture. They talk about colonialism like it is in the past when it comes to the pacific islands but that is clearly not the case." - Sione Lister, December 10, 2013
- "It is where we belong, and where we will return to. It's our home, and home to all our indigenous people. We built our homes on it, planted foods on it, and raised livestock on it that keeps multiplying today. It is our home and we intend to keep...and protect it from annihilation." - Emeterio Saures, December 11, 2013

- "I am a Native Hawaiian and my people struggled to STOP the U.S military bombing of one of our islands called Kaho'olawe. We have already experienced one possible future that Pagan Island could encounter if the US. military is allowed to use Pagan Island as a training area. Trust me it will not be good!!" - Jaynie Stone, December 11, 2013
- "Free Pagan from the military!" - Eden Lord, December 11, 2013
- "I was born and raised on Saipan and only after I moved away to boarding school did I truly realise and appreciate the beauty of the islands. Such natural beauty needs to be preserved and kept intact for everyone to enjoy." - Nava Khorram, December 11, 2013
- "I'm tired of the destruction of this beautiful planet that was created for us to live on and enjoy. Taking peoples homes and cultures away from them just to have to be able to veiw the severity of devistation their bombs and sonars cause. There has to be already uninhabited (animals & humans) that they can destroy or use places they have already destroyed..It's called recycling ..." - Wanda Stiles, December 18, 2013
- "I don't want my tax dollars (or anyone's) to be used to invade and bomb a beautiful island." - Janet Weil, December 18, 2013
- "Preservation of this beautiful island will have an impact on future generations. Why can't the United States Military find areas within the Continental U.S to have live fire exercise?" - Paul Santos, December 19, 2013
- "the importance of signing this petition is to ensure that the beauty of pagan stays the same. I do not have any animosity with the US military but in Pagan there is a wide variety of wildlife and beautiful tropical flowers that does not exist anymore in our island of Guam. Please sign this petition so that we together can protect this beautiful island. Dangkolo na Si Yu'us Ma'ase." - bernadette aldan, December 23, 2013
- "STOP THE MILITARY" - JOSE JAVIER ARMERO, December 30, 2013
- "This is wrong. Please consider signing this petition to help preserve this land, its history and its people." - Natalie Taitano, December 31, 2013
- "There is no good reason to destroy the most beautiful places on Earth!" - Jonathan Woods, January 01, 2014
- "I grew up in Hawai`i. The destruction of Kaho`olawe is something I will always regret. Please don't inflict such damage on another island. It is morally unjustifiable. Those who propose to turn a landscape into a live fire range should ask if they would approve of such

an action in the place where they grew up-- and if so, please go ahead and propose it there." - James Rhoads, January 07, 2014

- "We need to conserve ecologically diverse islands. The military has plenty of places it has can use for live fire already." - Dave Strickland, January 07, 2014
- "military use not needed. keep this paradise as it is" - TIM FOOTMAN, January 10, 2014
- "For my Children and my grandchildren" - Lourdes Taimanao, January 12, 2014
- "Former resident of Rota and the CNMI who feels the people of the CNMI and the United States should have a voice in this matter" - Braden Clemeshaw, January 13, 2014
- "Because i love our natural environment." - Cathy Lisua-Mihkel, January 14, 2014
- "Pagan is beautiful, we have ruined enough places like that with nuclear testing." - Thomas Campbell, January 18, 2014
- "Don't we have other islands that we've been bombing for decades? Why pick a new one?" - James Vandeventer, January 21, 2014
- "Haven't we already destroyed enough islands? Just because an island doesn't seem inhabited does not mean that it is ours for the taking. There are people who live on this island and would live on this island if given the basic resources. Save some money and give the inhabitants supplies so we can use the rest to try to fix this economy." - Zachary Vandeventer, January 21, 2014
- "Cause nature shouldn't be a place we ruin for such a stupid reason." - Pete Wade, January 21, 2014
- "Northern Islands are for Carolinians, not US military..." - Griffith Jones, January 27, 2014
- "There is nothing more than insanity in wanting to destroy a natural island habitat for occupying creatures on land, in the air and sea. Send the Marines to Mars or Venus to play with their war toys!" - James Michie, January 29, 2014
- "no need to destroy this diverse and ecological paradise" - Brian Sanson, January 31, 2014
- "Its important because the US military have proven themselves to be the worst enemy of our environment and desecrators of indigenous countries and its people." - Puanani Rogers, February 03, 2014
- "This land is meant to be a sanctuary island in the Marianas along with some of the other Mariana islands. Let it be as God created it and intended it to be. These islands were not created by the Creator for man to destroy. Adahi I Fina'tinas i Saina, yan i nina'i-na na tano' siha," - Mina Sablan, February 08, 2014

- "We'll have another Bikini Island type of event. That would be terrible. Definitely, especially, unequivocally say NO to using Pagan for target practice." - Eric Uhden, February 12, 2014
- "My Grand Father was born on Pagan. My Great Grand Parents were from Pagan." - Colin Scablands Lowe, February 14, 2014
- "It is part of my culture and my ancestry. The Chamorro culture has already lost so much of what it had due to the movement of Western and European cultures into the Pacific. Please do not let another aspect of this culture disappear. Do not erase another part of my ancestors lives." - Lauren Lowe, February 15, 2014
- "Save bio diversity." - Quyen Kay, February 15, 2014
- "Pagan is a part of our families' history! My great grandparents and my grandfather were born and raised on Pagan!" - Clarice Lowe, February 15, 2014
- "I was raised in the Northern Marianas Islands." - Jennifer Galloway, February 16, 2014
- "To save a beautiful place on earth" - Lester Held, February 16, 2014
- "One of the few location in Guam where the Pass has left it alone for it natural Beauty that even today, we can look back and see the Pass Guam where if it is to be use by the U.S. Military, will be Destroyed forever. To the U.S. Military and the Federal Government, The Andersen Airforce Base has sufficient real estate to accommodate what is needed for a Firing Range, USE IT, and LEAVE Pagat alone." - Michael Mafnas, February 16, 2014
- "Safe the beauty of the land and the water surround" - Rosa Sablan, February 16, 2014
- "The American military has already destroyed so much of Hawai'i; I would hate for that to happen anywhere else." - Lilikala Kameeleihiwa, February 17, 2014
- "I love life!" - Robert J. Burrowes, February 19, 2014
- "stop to distroy mother nature" - Edoardo Rota, February 19, 2014
- "Our children need a future. This is important, this is a must." - Kathia Rota, February 19, 2014
- "The Pagan Volcano has a huge impact on earth and it has been apart of earths history for a while now. It is not time for it to go" - Jake Allgeier, February 19, 2014
- "save earth" - robert t christensen, February 20, 2014
- "I would think the military could run enough computer simulations now that blowing up live ordinance to see if it works is obsolete." - Mark Abildgaard, February 21, 2014



- "One of the last non-commercial non-inhabited paradise places on earth needs be preserved so future generations can experience such a pristine place if they choose. Let us make it into a national park or commonwealth park." - Robert Laurie, February 23, 2014
- "Respect the native peoples & the land & its fauna. Hands off!" - Jody Snyder, February 25, 2014
- "Save this beautiful for our children. Let us promote this island as a tourist destination, especially ECO Tourist. Let mine the Pozzalan to start paying the government' liabilities to the Retirement Fund." - Juan M. Sablan, February 28, 2014
- "For the future of our Island kids." - Joseph Espinosa, March 02, 2014
- "The US government need sto stop entire Marians island chain as their personal property to use as they wish. To think that these islands aren't whorth anything more than a place to drop bombs or allow foreign countries to dump radioactive waste is an insult to the Chamorro people and others who call these islands Home is an insult. Maybe it's time to change the political status with the USA." - Daniel Schuneman, March 09, 2014
- "I occasionally write about the Pacific islands as part of my job. This region has already suffered so much as a result of the carelessness of richer countries. It is now bearing the brunt of climate change that it did not cause. The military has already destroyed enough in this part of the world - the fact that it is seeking out new ecologically pristine habitats such as Pagan to play more war games on is unacceptable. The biodiversity of the island alone and its many endangered species should make it off limits for this sort of abuse. Please abandon these plans." - Katie Dawson, March 11, 2014
- "STOP THIS MILITARY MADNESS! SAVE LIFE - D'ONT DESTROY IT!" - Amy Harlib, March 11, 2014
- "Why should the military use this island for their"purposes"? This is part of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands. A natural beautiful island from Rota all the way to Maug. We are not a US Territory.....yet. This island and the rest are potential Tourists sites...not fit for bombings, drills and any other future plans of the Military. They go to Guam and do their plans on the mountains of Umatac." - Rosa Oronigo Pehnos, March 16, 2014
- "Because if we don't care enough to save it, who will?" - Janine Nogis, March 22, 2014
- "As a Stewart of the Earth and its resources, it is very important to me to actively insist that the environment be saved from the destructive activity of all organizations, including the Military." - Stanley Lewis, March 25, 2014

- "This would never be allowed directly on US soil to exploit Pagan in this way is more than unreasonable. Why destroy a new and relatively pristine island when Farallon de Medinilla has already been bombed? Look at the expense that has been put into cleanup of Guam since WWII, after Pagan's destruction will the US government work 70 plus years to reestablish this island as well?" - Paul Taylor, March 25, 2014
- "Displacing human lives and property for a practice military firing ground? Please..." - Jeaneen Kurtz, March 26, 2014
- "We only have one Earth It is our responsibility to protect it for future generations." - Jason Wright, March 27, 2014
- "Save Pagan" - Frank Jr. Olopai, March 27, 2014
- "It is simply wrong to force those who would be native to the island to give up the land due to a lack of resources. Let the military find some other place for target practice." - Crystal Cassidy, April 02, 2014
- "well,its" - ivalani doses, April 02, 2014
- "Pagan Island is the 'Crown Jewel' of the Marianas Islands and must be protected." - Jean Naples, April 02, 2014
- "Peoples homes are at stake. I don't agree with this at all. It seems unethical to me." - Kahim Sturgis, April 02, 2014
- "PROTECT, RESPECT, Nature and Culture! Man cannot replace what it chooses to destroy on OUR ONE and ONLY Earth!" - Yeole Hanohano, April 02, 2014
- "I Live on the beautiful island of Guam. Our Guam rail is practically extinct, we have no fruit bats and there are other animals that are endangered. Coming from an island i know the beauty it has to offer. Pagan is our neighbor, my neighbor. They do not need to destroy an island with natural beauty!" - Hillary Acfalle, April 03, 2014
- "I used to live in Saipan, and had a glorious opportunity to visit Pagan many years ago. It is an incredible beautiful island, not to mention that it is home to threatened and endangered species, and has historical value. The US military should not have the right to destroy the island." - Qamar Schuyler, April 03, 2014
- "Paradise lost if they bomb." - Jon Branch, April 03, 2014
- "This is important for many reasons (spiritual, cultural, historical, biological, ecological, environmental, geological, etc.). The desecration, pollution, devastation and destruction caused by the U.S. military on our own island of Vieques, as well as other islands throughout

the world, cannot be allowed to happen on Pagan Island. Pagan Island deserves to be maintained and preserved as a legacy for past, present and future generations." - Joanna Soto-Aviles, April 03, 2014

- "These Islands of the Northern Marianas is our ancestral grounds. Let me introduce myself. I am the President of the Chamorro Club. This organization runs in a high school called Marianas High School. Our guide to preserving our culture states in our club name. Guma MHS POLKSAI Chamorro Club. POLKSAI meaning protehi, onra, lengguahi, kuttura, saipan, ataha, inasa. The moral of these words assures us that we must protect and preserve our culture and as generations go by, I for one and probably the community would like to see their children attain any knowledge of our blood and blood land. Now all of this that's about to go down on the Islands of the Northern Marianas will turn the land to a chemical wasteland. Just to say I'm 17 years old and still I would like to know more about my culture. I feel that it is slipping away and as if you're dropping a bomb on us. Don't take these islands away from us please. You really won't know how much something is worth until it's all lost. I hope these matters are contemplated about to those who find the Islands as a worthless historical ground." - David Muna, April 03, 2014
- "Actually, I was searching Google maps for locations related to their April 1st Pokeman"game" (unusual activity for me). As volcano's were used in the search process I became fascinated by the geography and began to research some of these locations. There fore coming across environmental issues potentially facing Pagan Island. After more reading than I planned, I am writing in support of the petition I have signed and submitted. Thank you." - Anne Erwin, April 03, 2014
- "Endangered species" - Catherine Lewis, April 03, 2014
- "Native peoples have been pushed off of almost 99% of their homelands. Hands off the Pacific Islanders' homelands. It's not like the Marianas have vast expanses of land to begin with." - Vincent Davis, April 03, 2014
- "For my children's children and future usage for my future generation of Kapileo and Ilo families" - Rayme Baybe Kapileo, April 04, 2014
- "I LOVE THE CHAIN OF THE CNMI AND I WOULD FOR ANYTHING TO PRESERVE IT" - Angeline Orsini, April 04, 2014
- "we need to protect our islands!" - Aysia Santos, April 04, 2014

- "The Pagan Islanders should have a say. Too many of these islands have been damaged by military action." - Elisabeth Gardiner, April 05, 2014
- "Love the Islands" - chuck brittain, April 05, 2014
- "We must preserve endangered species and avoid negatively impacting this beautiful, biologically and geologically diverse area of the world." - Livia Nowlin, April 05, 2014
- "We need to respect the unique environment of Pagan Island. Please do not destroy it." - Sandra Tracy, PhD, April 06, 2014
- "Why is this important to you? Ive seen the changes the military has made over several years taking up the most beautiful parts of our island. Please don't take this from us too." - chadel andresen, April 07, 2014
- "Save Pagan" - Vincent Manglona, April 08, 2014
- "Because I myself am a Pacific Islander and know the negative impacts of American Military target practice." - Lulu DeBoer, April 08, 2014
- "I grew up in the Northern Marianas, and cherish the unique upbringing that I had there. The world needs more peaceful places and more undisturbed land, not more live-fire training grounds." - Rossanne Aarii, April 08, 2014
- "This land and ecosystem is important to people I care about-- and I am adamantly opposed to ongoing military destruction on land that rightfully belongs to Indigenous peoples." - Mishuana Goeman, April 09, 2014
- "Pagan should be left alone as it is one of the few places left on earth whose natural habitat is nearly untouched. It should stay that way." - Camille Orallo, April 09, 2014
- "Enough is Enough let us enjoy the land of our ancestors!" - dolores suzuki, April 09, 2014
- "Some places must be protected from the warmongers" - Emma Lewis, April 09, 2014
- "This is important to me because I believe the members of the U.S. government/military feel they have the right to intrude on others' land at their free will. I would like to take part in squashing that assertion, especially on behalf of preserving the iota of true nature that's left." - Julia Smelyantsev, April 09, 2014
- "the small land-masses in the pacific are very important for global cultural and ecological issues. They are not just some small islands. Better use a place in your own country." - alfred banze, April 11, 2014

- "Why can't the military do their "live fire" exercises on islands they've already destroyed ecologically for this purpose? What is the need to destroy more islands and displace more people?" - Darren Abramson, April 11, 2014
- "weil Natur wichtiger ist als Militär" - Kris Krois, April 11, 2014
- "Dont you put your announce on my FB side! I did not allowed it." - Maurus Gmuer, April 11, 2014
- "I am from the Island of Guam" - Amanda Bennett, April 12, 2014
- "I am Chamorro!!" - Catherine Ledbeeter, April 12, 2014
- "Because we need to stop destroying pristine Pacific Islands. There are enough firing ranges on the other islands already destroyed." - Christine Pruski, April 12, 2014
- "Can't let what's left of the CNMI be destroyed. There are wildlife and ancient Chamorro artifacts that's should remain there. Let's preserve what we can!" - Marisa Untalan, April 15, 2014
- "Family Heritage and the raw natural beauty." - Jennifer Weimer, April 15, 2014
- "I may be a US military service member, but I was born and raised in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands. I lived on Saipan for 18 years before enlisting in the United States Air Force and have represented the island of Saipan. There are members of the service who would like to come visit the islands and see the history that took place. Someday there won't be anything left for me to show them when they do visit and go island hopping with me. NOT cool." - Marie Joyce Seman, April 16, 2014
- "to help a friend" - Brian Winfield II, April 16, 2014
- "Preservation of history" - Patrick Dugan, April 16, 2014
- "I was a little boy who went to school and church in pagan in the early 80's . And I have a lot of good memories with family back then. Please STOP military action. I believe pagan is one of the most beautiful places on earth and should not be use for military excersice." - Marvin Ada, April 16, 2014
- "We must not allow the destruction of habitat for native animals and plants, nor should we allow a beautiful island to be polluted and harmed. It is simply wrong. The earth is not ours to ruin and pollute." - Kare Strong, April 16, 2014
- "Our Islands are beautiful & Does not need to be destroyed by US Military" - Thomas Sablan, April 16, 2014
- "This island is part of my home! For posterity!" - lou anna Vandermeid, April 16, 2014

- "It is a important island and it it well know for its beauty and their are species found no where on the world but Pagan." - jerick hermoso, April 16, 2014
- "The CNMI is my home and I will not tolerate that the US government wants to abuse our land and destroy my home." - Rochelle Lynn Dimapilis, April 17, 2014
- "Keeping the world green!" - Leslie Syring, April 18, 2014
- "I was stationed in the Islands in the 60's. Thay should stay beautiful always, not a shooting range." - William Reynolds, April 22, 2014
- "As a person who has done hours of restoration work on the island of Kaho`olawe recently, it's heart breaking to see beautiful Pacific Islands get turned into barren wastelands. ALL of these islands belong to their respective native people. These lands are ancestral lands and bear cultural significance. Most, if not all, are sacred places to the indigenous people! Some of these islands were their ONLY home! Stop taking ancestral lands away from the native people and destroying them for the sake of testing weapons of mass destruction! All of these islands you have destroyed also had unique and exclusive flora and fauna not found any where else on the planet! Why eradicate these endemic species?! How many more islands will it take before you realize that you are no different than other nations that have conquered lands?! You already have the U.S. mainland, which rightfully belongs to the Native Americans! Don't do it, America! Just don't!" - David Concepcion, April 24, 2014
- "To preserve the endangered species and natural habitat found on these islands!!" - Lukanicole Zavas, April 25, 2014
- "It is important to preserve nature as much as possible. The U.S. military does not need to destroy more of earth than it already has." - Jarret Rogerson, April 25, 2014
- "Protecting the rights of indigenous peoples to their home is of uttermost importance" - Conor Handley, April 25, 2014
- "I wanted my home island to be a paradise place for visitors rather than a training ground for wars or a storage place for weapons of mass distruction." - Nicolas Blas, April 29, 2014
- "We visited Pagan in April 2014 on our sailboat. It was unplanned stop on our passage to Japan. It is a wonderful place. During our sail across the South Pacific Ocean we have seen what it looks like when the American military sets up shop. Nobody would wish that on any place, let alone a place such as this." - Tamara Piekaar, April 30, 2014
- "Because it is the land of our Ancestors" - Don Joe, April 30, 2014

- "Our military is to protect and defend Americans and our Constitution FOR the united States of America, and we must NOT allow them to destroy any more of God Good Earth for target practice. Military should stay in USA, arrest the foreign criminal usurping the Office of POTUS named Barack H. Obama II aka Barry Soetoro to prison, and protect USA from all enemies foreign and domestic, and REFUSE unlawful orders from Bill Clinton, Bushes, and the not even qualified to be POTUS Mr. BOH/BS." - George Peabody, May 03, 2014
- "As Chamorro's we should stand up for our islands, and not allow the wholesale destruction of them." - James Pineda, May 03, 2014
- "It's part of our culture and there is preserved life there and not to mention I would like to visit Pagan one day" - John Borja, May 05, 2014
- "This is an island full of life. If the military comes in, they'll be disturbing the life on Pagan" - Nathan Manibusan, May 05, 2014
- "This land is my home. I respect my culture as well as the people who have lived before me. This land was theirs and is now ours. I support this in the name of the respect it deserves." - Michael Quenga, May 05, 2014
- "I am a born and raised Chamorro from Saipan. I think we have given enough to the US at this point in our history. It is time to stop the taking and preserve what we have left for our future generations." - Joseph Sablan Cruse, May 05, 2014
- "STOP DESTROYING ARE ANCESTOR LAND !!!! GET OFF ARE ANCESTORS ISLAND NOW !!!!!" - Jeremy LeonGuerrero, May 05, 2014
- "It is our land ...our history" - thomas ascura, May 07, 2014
- "Please explain why Farallon de Medinilla cannot continue to be utilized. It has already been destroyed and there is no practical reason to destroy Pagan." - Darrell Fair, May 08, 2014
- "Farallon De Medinilla was already sacrificed. How much more?" - John Borja, May 08, 2014
- "Because Pagan is still a pristine, minimally developed land, from which a vast variety of Flora and fauna exist." - Florence Pangelinan, May 13, 2014
- "lets not have another godzilla or kaiju type monster emerge because our disrespect for nature." - Pete Hilker, May 18, 2014
- "I was born on Rota but was raise on Guam. I have never been to Pagan and some day I would love to visit this Island with my family. If the U.S. military has plans for utilizing this Island visiting Pagan with my family will never happen due to restrictions by the military. We need to save Pagan!!!!" - Roman Manglona Jr., May 19, 2014

- "this is the u.s. government committing an act of terrorism. it is simply wrong and most unnecessary; a shameful abuse of power." - renee girard, May 21, 2014
- "Because we only have ONE PLANET. And Obama is determined to destroy it at every turn." - ANIMALAURA KEY, May 22, 2014
- "The lands of the Chamoru People of the Marianas should be preserve and protected from further destuction, they are the lands of my ancestors that at one time thrived undisturbed respecting and caring for the land that provided them with all they needed to exist as a unique culture on this planet with live in, as a desendant of my great chamoru ancestors the land that we have is the only connection I have to honor the great people of the land that made it possible for me to be proudly be a part of. the land that provided all the resources to develop a great culture, the land that is the sacred grounds of the people whos blood flow through my viens, the land of the Chamoru people, please leave our land alone it is the only connection I have to my great ancestors before my time and will be the only connection a thousand years from with the people who live on the land to honor the extinct culture of the Great Chamoru People of the Marianas" - Dean Ada, May 25, 2014
- "This is my future childrens' land and I want them to see it how their grandparents saw it. It is sacred land that should not belong to anyone but the native people of the land. It is not right to take away traditional and sacred land that are so important to our people and use it for military purposes. That will result destroy it and it will then never be the same." - Ariel Benavente, May 26, 2014
- "I care dearly about the environment, especially the marianas islands, Having lived on them for the last 5 years I have grown very fond of them. The destruction of many, possibly indigenous, species, of plants that can only be found on that island in particular saddens me." - owen farrow, June 08, 2014
- "It is important to me because I am a Chamorro descent and I have children who may choose to make this island their home. It is our future and one day soon enough I hope my children and I can visit the amazing island we now are trying to SAVE!" - April Lynn L. Crisostomo, June 10, 2014
- "Pagan is my homeland and is the land of my ancestors. It is an absolute disgrace and sickening that the U.S. military is planning to destroy this Chamorro island fill with our ancestral burials and archaeological sites. We have the human right to protect Pagan and to tell CNMI leaders to tell the U.S. that Pagan as well as all the other islands in Gani are not for



sale at any price. The destruction of Pagan by the U.S. military is a human right violation and a genocide against the indigenous native people of the Marianas Chamorro Archipelago" - jose ulloa garrido, June 16, 2014

- "This is a beautiful and biologically diverse area that should not be destroyed. The right of former residents to resettle there should be respected." - Douglas Bartley, June 20, 2014
- "C.N.M.I is my home and they have no right to come and destroy the natural beauty of it.." - Vinnie Babauta, July 01, 2014
- "Each April and May i do field work with the birds if CNMI. I am committed to the conservation of these birds. Pagan is a beautiful and amazing place and needs to be preserved." - Hannah Bailey, July 03, 2014
- "Push-back against military devastation of the environment is critically needed. Good for you for issuing this petition." - Dian Deevey, July 05, 2014
- "Because, this is where my mother was born and raise until she was 2 or 3 years old." - Erna I. Kapileo, July 08, 2014
- "I AM A Chamorro Native Descendant from the Island of Saipan, CNMI. I for one, I would love to have my kids experience & explore our neighboring SCENIC Islands; We live in a very NATURAL BEAUTIFUL, EXQUISITE surrounding that has to be protected in the SAKE OF THE FUTURE FOR"OUR CHILDREN" together we must protect our heritage, our culture, our history the Islands plant, wild life & ALL IT'S"NATURAL RESOURCES"..WE ASK THAT YOU LEAVE OUR PEOPLE & ISLANDS ALONE...." - Sydney Tudela, July 26, 2014
- "Because I feel sad that the beautiful paradise will be ruined !" - Joseph Carothers, July 28, 2014
- "nothing more important than land, and destroy the earth for war, unforgivable" - Giovanni Zuliani, July 28, 2014
- "C NMI government and it's people needs the island of Pagan for their livelihood. They can better use and protect the island from destruction than the US. Pagan is full of historical and cultural significance that needs to be free from military intervention. It also processes an economic potential for the CNMI. My suggestion is to keep it intact but if we must let it go, it should leave our grip for not less than \$50B. Otherwise,it's not for sell nor for in the name of National Defense. To use National Defense as a reason for the DOD to unilaterally condemn a place must qualify certain scale of needs that should satisfy before the condemnation takes place. The local group should do more research on the DOD internal policy relative to the

issues at hand who may help shed light on the matter. Is there any group that might provide assistance on legal issues pertaining to this issue?" - Felix Calvo, July 30, 2014

- "I was born on Guahan to two U.S. Navy enlisted parents, and feel it is my duty to protect Pagan Island, as a citizen who believes in standing up for that which is right. The preservation of this island is my duty because I am as connected to the land as the Chamorro and Refaluwasch people. I want to be able to bring my children to Guahan and see Pagan Island one day to appreciate the beauty and the shelter it provided for our family as well as generations of a people and their heritage. I want Pagan Island standing, in tact, when I look my children in the eye and let them know that this place is a part of their history and I have done everything I can to preserve it. It would be a dishonor to fail in saving what is left of disappearing cultures that live in harmony with the land. I pray that the island stands so that I can tell my children it will one day be their duty to protect it against the heart that is corrupted by the business of war and profiteering. There is no future or honor in destroying that which cannot defend itself- this island and its indigenous life included." - Heather Moore, August 07, 2014
- "My heritage is Guamanian! And, I'm an American!!! HELLO!!!" - Michele Henry, August 12, 2014
- "Pagan Island is a beautiful place and should remain so. I was privileged to visit this Island twice in the 1947- 1948 time period and would like to revisit again. My children's children have heard me talk of Pagan Island and , as the ability to travel keeps getting better, they and their children will surely enjoy a visit to a peaceful and quit get-a-way. Please do NOT destroy this Island ." - Howard Davis, August 19, 2014
- "habitat loss of land which the true ownership belongs with Pacific islanders.. target practice this does not make!!" - kellee hooks, August 20, 2014
- "I love where I am from and if people were trying to take away my home I wouldn't be happy." - Roque Blas, August 27, 2014
- "This tiny spot of idyllic beauty and serenity must be preserved for posterity. Leave it and the Chamorro people in peace. Please don't continue to propagate the "Ugly American" image!" - Marie Ernst, August 29, 2014
- "Because I am a Chamorro! The United States has done enough damage to our land and our people!" - M B, September 04, 2014
- "This is an absolute discrase" - melanie noel, September 12, 2014

- "My inlaws live and own land their" - silvia villagomez, September 12, 2014
- "It's terrible to destroy the island" - isa de luca, September 18, 2014
- "What next, where will it stop or end? To the government it is a speck of dirt on the map to the people and children or Pagan it is home and so much more. Once it is destroyed, we can never get it back." - Bertha Bowditch, September 19, 2014
- "war games need to end. in light of expansion of the Marine Monuments of the Pacific, this is shame and embarrassing that our administration wants to bomb another equally pristine and diverse island and marine ecosystem. shame." - Irene Kelly, September 26, 2014
- "This is a god-given beautiful island that deserve to be protected and preserved. Our people should be allowed to resettle Pagan without impacting its natural environment." - Jesus Taisague, October 01, 2014
- "I want to save the island of pagan for the people who live there." - Joseph Hocog, October 01, 2014
- "A thousand times and more - I will honor and salute you - The beautiful islands of the Marianas" - Glorious are you - The USA Military has many other options to use for training." - Raymond Austin, October 03, 2014
- "Part of the CNMI National Anthem
- "Environmental, fisheries protection" - Scott Strickland, October 05, 2014
- "Pagan is important because it is one of the islands that has developed within our archipelago. Our land is where our roots lie, and Pagan has many ties to our roots in both our Chamorro and Carolinian heritage. When we lose our land we lose what is embedded beneath our land, our ties to our ancestors. As a local resident of Saipan and family ties to Pagan, destroying this island with military buildup could not only break our ancestral ties to Pagan but destroy the island, pollute the area and waters, and potentially kill off indigenous species in the area that might not ever be seen again." - Jayson Camacho, October 06, 2014
- "The military will only destroy Pagan." - guadalupe borja robinson, October 07, 2014
- "Because I live near Pagan and because the islands belong to us, not to the USA military." - Lucy C Sablan, October 07, 2014
- "The Chamorro people and their land are dear to my heart. But does it really matter how somebody feels about it? It is wrong," - Jim Phelps, October 17, 2014

- "I'm signing because there ARE people living there and there ARE others who want to go back. It is not a science experiment, it is a home. Not just to humans but to a lot of animals some being nearly extinct." - Katherine Gunderson, October 18, 2014
- "There is no good reason to take away the home of many families. We need to take our islands back. For too long the government has seen our land as disposable, and has given us no say in what happens with it. It is not a wasteland. It is home." - Maria Phelps, October 18, 2014
- "As a taxpayer, live fire training and bombing runs are a horrid waste of money. Isn't Detachment 1 still available in CO? As a Chamorro, just because the land is not populated with people does not mean serves no other use." - Kurt Gilman, October 18, 2014
- "It is our Island, our home, our peace, leave it alone." - Raymond Meno, October 20, 2014
- "Pagan Island should be kept pure and beautiful and not destroyed It is biologically and geologically diverse and the loss would be devastating!" - Sandra Mafnas, October 20, 2014
- "I was here as a teenager and it's a beautiful place that dosent need to be messed up and the environment" - Monique Smith, October 20, 2014
- "It is our fundamental right and responsibility as natives of the Northern Mariana Islands to protect the welfare or our peoples and islands for which we are stewards of. No to Military! No is No! SAVE PAGAN!" - Roxanne Diaz, October 21, 2014
- "Military has many island and the us is 100 times bigger why use more of the marianas. Ruin the environment can affect us all here in the cnmi." - Dagger Duaz, October 22, 2014
- "Why would anyone destroy this beautiful and pristine island? Please leave Pagan be the way it is. Go practice with your toys somewhere else." - Daniel Camacho, October 22, 2014
- "Why Pagan? why not the remote places of in the united states?....U.S. is a Big Country with Big Mistake Too!" - Enrique Sablan, October 22, 2014
- "The right of self determination has to be respected,by law approval or no law approval,.to use this island for military practice is a law breaking procedure of the humanitarian Act as in keeping the earth enviorement safe,clean,and respected allowing nature to live by it's will and not destroyed by men" - Abraham quiles, October 25, 2014
  - "Please preserve our sacred islands. This is our home, save our planet." - Carmen Borja, October 25, 2014
- "Pot I taotao-hu yan I famaguon-hu. Ini tano-ta i man chamorro siha." - Francisco Villagomez, October 26, 2014

- "I am signing this petition because I do not want my peoples islands to be taken over by the military." - Randizia Crisostomo, October 26, 2014
- "We need to protect and preserve our island, our home." - Timothy Wesley, October 26, 2014
- "I am Chamorro and wish to preserve the beauty of our islands." - Alex Borja, October 27, 2014
- "I am a Pacific Islander advocate in higher education." - mathew apelu, October 28, 2014
- "The military has already destroyed a few other islands, why don't they continue to use those islands? Why do they feel the need to destroy more? Do they not realize that by destroying those islands, they have destroyed a person's culture. The military is uneducated about the islands and they would not find it acceptable if a decision was made to use one of the states for "live-fire training." - Aolani Cruz, October 28, 2014
- "I'm signing because we must maintain the beauty and culture of the Mariana Islands." - Cierra Leon Guerrero, October 29, 2014
- "This is important to me because I grew up on the island of Tinian, and at the time there were permanent inhabitants of the island. It is not only just an island, but it is also an untouched ecosystem such as the Galapagos now that the inhabitants have been temporarily displaced due to volcanic activity. It should be kept as a National treasure or park for the Chamorro Nation, such is allowed for the Native Indians, and so it should be for us. My question is what is the true nature of the U.S. Governments' motive of Imminent Domain, is it for mineral rights, or do they truly want to destroy and I do mean destroy a national treasure of the Chamorro people? I do fear that the Chamorro people will live in dire times if this island is turned into a form of pingalap atoll. I apologize if this is the wrong spelling for the atoll, its been years since I met people who have been misplaced due to the activities of the U.S. military in the destruction of that cultural inhabitants." - Marka Huber, October 29, 2014
- "FdM was too much already! Now they want Pagan?! Enough is enough! Leave pagan alone please." - Mary Reyes, October 29, 2014
- "I'm signing because.... 1. I was born in guam on June 6 1993 but raised on Rota for 18 years. I moved out of the island to explore more options and opportunities. I've never been to Pagan but I still plan on visiting the island one day 2. In school we learned that Pagan has a rich history not only about the people but the Island as well!!! 3. I would love to bring my

kids and have others bring their children as well not only to enjoy it's natural beauty and it's richness of the place (water, animals, people, etc..) but to appreciate the place on what it has to offer! 4. My last and final reason and please excuse some of the words I'm about to say because I am about to express these words in a strong manner! If the fuckin military were to use Pagan as a missile or bomb training cite or what ever the fuck you call it, I bet for a motherfuckin fact that once they're done with that place, once they are done destroying one of our home, I'll say it again I bet for a motherfuckin fact their asses would leave the place acting like it ain't shit and won't do nothing about it!!!!!!" - Vince Mendiola, October 29, 2014

- "I'm a big fan of islands and the preservation of their natural beauty go bomb the desert." - Jairek Barre, October 30, 2014
- "Signing cause I am very concern on the military's impact and the destruction of Pagan's environment & it's natural resources." - Paul Reyes, October 31, 2014
- "There are miles of lands in the US! Why pick a tiny Island? Spare Pagan and respect the people!" - Jordon Lee Kosam, October 31, 2014
- "I visited Pagan by sailboat in 1975. It's pristine beauty and black sand beaches topped by the volcano and natural hot springs are unmatched anywhere I have been. It was also home to many islanders who were born there. These are native indigenous lands, and must be treated with due respect to traditional lifestyles and the heritage of the Chamorro and Carolinian people. To use Pagan for"live fire" exercises is about like using Yellowstone National Park for"live fire" exercises. It ought to be unthinkable." - Stephen Woodruff, October 31, 2014
- "Bcuz is one of our last natural Island that holds the beauty of what nature offer.. and for the future of our kids.." - Joe Itibus, October 31, 2014
- "We have to. Save our marianas" - G Camacho, November 02, 2014
- "Coz i care!" - Mindy quitugua, November 03, 2014
- "For the next generation future.." - Rebecca Lisua, November 04, 2014
- "Crown jewel" - Daniel Durkin, November 08, 2014
- "I'm part of that island" - darlene rasiang, November 08, 2014
- "I am from these islands and some things just needs to be left along for nature to do its thing." - leonrd cave, November 09, 2014

- "America has plenty of wasteland that they could use, why spoil a beautiful place like this." - Barrie Rodliffe, November 14, 2014
- "there is no need to bomb another Island in the CNMI they have Farallon de Medinilla which has no vegetation left on it from bombings" - Darryl Atwood, November 26, 2014
- "i want to save our Beautiful island of Pagan from any military disposal of any chemical or biological dumping of such kind of Distastrious materials that will affect our health or our natural growth on all the Northern Marianas Islands in the Pacific Region." I SUPPORT NO TO ILLEGAL DUMPING ON PAGAN AND THE REST OF THE OTHER ISLANDS IN THE CNMI".."!" - Vincent Deleon Guerrero, December 01, 2014
- "That's my home land" - Christopher munoz, December 04, 2014
- "Protection and conservation of the Mariana Islands is a must! Whether it be Pagan or Agrigan, land is so extremely scarce within our islands. These are our ancestral homes where many of our families came from and wish to return to. There are so much naturally U.S. owned uninhabitable places and they should bomb those areas and not our islands where people still live, endangered land and sea animals still survive, and wild plant species endure! Let's not make them take it away from us as they did to the Marshallese, Hawaiians, and who knows who else. Also, let us please discourage our government leaders from 'selling' our islands for their personal or monetary gain and turn them into beautiful eco-destinations for residents and tourists alike to enjoy! Nihī ya tafanprotehi todu i tano-ta gi isla-ta siha. Mungga masedi i taotao hiyong para u fañuli yan para u fañaki i linala-ta. Chamu ma'a'ñāo! Fanesalao!" - Elvin Quitugua, December 09, 2014
- "I'm signing because I'm sick of seeing countries like my own destroying things for reasons that truly benefit no one. This is sick and sad. It's intolerable to watch. If the US really needs a place to test weapons I highly recommend Washington DC." - Jesse Baker, December 15, 2014
- "So many of the indigenous people have yet to see the beauty of the island, please look elsewhere, enough of live-fire training in our Commonwealth." - Anna Hayes, December 15, 2014
- "They already have places to do that sort of thing. Why destroy such a beautiful island? There's plenty of desert where no life exist at all.....blow stuff up there!" - Amanda Manibusan, December 18, 2014

- "I want to save my Chamorro heritage and to help return the land to it's people." - Theresa Cepeda, December 20, 2014
- "stop wrecking!" - Charles Smith, December 27, 2014
- "I'm signing so that our future generation can see the island that my mother cherishes and land as a resource." - Geraldine Songao, December 31, 2014
- "I'm signing this because I don't want the Northern Mariana Islands to be the next Bikini Atoll. They've already taken Farallon de Medinilla away from us, we can't let them take anymore." - Kiana Tenorio, December 31, 2014
- "I'm signing because I'm Chamorro and people need to start respecting the Islands!" - Nicholas Verret, December 31, 2014
- "To save Pagan, duhhh" - Alexia Ada, January 05, 2015
- "I am signing this petition because I wouldn't want the military to destroy or use such a beautiful island that belongs to us Chamorros. Thank you!" - Tyanna Terlaje, January 06, 2015
- "I have a land in Pagan I am from Saipan my mother grandfather grandmother my whole family is from there" - Michael Germinaro, January 06, 2015
- "It's home for some people" - Sylvan Luis Rangamar, January 06, 2015
- "My brotherinkaw is from there" - Pauline Blas, January 06, 2015
- "The Chamorro people are a great, hospitable & proud people. My Filipina wife & I are planning on moving there. The islanders have been very hospitable to all people and we should respect them and their islands just the same. Our military already have taken over two of the Mariana Islands for exercises and own 1/3 of the Northern part of Guam." - Patrick Wilson, January 06, 2015
- "After all been done with this initiative.. I would like to see the name of the island Pagan change if there's any indigenous name from Carolinian or Chamorro. As we all know this Pagan is a name of a false God in the old testament..This is just to ease the confusion from Christian brothers standpoint." - Henry Kaipat Kosam, January 11, 2015
- "I think it was the Cubans who said" - 0, January 15, 2015
- "As Sam says.... save Pagan for the future generations. Dollars today will not be worth the devastations in the likeness of Kahoolawe, FDM, and the Bikini Atolls. Caution" - 0, January 15, 2015



- "I'm signing because I care about this island and it needs to be preserve, respect, taken care of and save for our children, their children our future generations, will need land in the future to live. It's really beautiful island and my wish is to pay a visit one day before I die." - Dolores B. Sablan, January 16, 2015
- "I want to help save Pagan island!" - Jennica P., February 04, 2015