

**MESSAGE FROM EUGEN DAVID
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Greetings from Rosia Montana!

My name is Eugen David and I am from Rosia Montana. This is where I live with my family; this is where I farm my land; this is where my daughter goes to school; this is our home.



Rosia Montana is also the place where Gabriel Resources wants to develop Europe's largest open cast cyanide leach gold mine. At full production they will evacuate 500,000 tons of rock per week and use between 13-15 million kilograms of toxic cyanide per year -- for 16 long years.

Because the gold lies squarely under and around the village of Rosia Montana, Gabriel needs to move out the local population -- roughly 2000 people all in all. But it's not only the people that will need to go. Gone also would be our mountains, pastures, rivers and our churches, cemeteries and school -- our community with its social fabric and traditions.

"Mine Your Own Business" doesn't talk about any of this but instead is a propaganda film paid for by Gabriel Resources who wants to make a lot of money from all this destruction. If anything, this film is reminiscent of times that are long over and does not portray the situation as it is at Rosia Montana. Anyone can see this by simply reading what the international press has been reporting. Any company who makes its money from the production of gold would, when faced with 'opposition,' want to promote issues such as 'jobs' instead of 'expropriation,' a 'new model village' instead of the 'destruction of Rosia Montana,' and 'cyanide management plans' instead of the 'risks' associated with the use of such large quantities of this poisonous substance over such a long period of time. Any company faced with opposition would also want to diminish and de-legitimize such forces and in this sinister instance advance 'foreign environmentalists' to avoid the 'local opposition' issue. Not that Gabriel Resources is from Rosia Montana and not that Phelim McAleer is unaware of Alburnus Maior, the local opposition group that I represent. For the sake of 'professional subjectivity' he simply forgot to pay us a visit.

When Mr. McAleer couldn't get an interview with Stephanie Roth, he simply stole images from the Goldman Environmental Prize Foundation in order to have images of so-called 'evil foreign environmentalists.' Miss Roth, who is a recipient of the prestigious Goldman Environmental Prize, has been working with us at Rosia Montana since 2002 and because of her contributions I can communicate with you today. When approached by McAleer under a completely different name and asked to give an interview, she refused because McAleer was uninterested in interviewing any of the locals Miss Roth suggested should be interviewed instead of her.

Luckily in Romania where people are highly aware of the Rosia Montana issue, the propaganda side of "Mine your own Business" was quickly recognized. After a first unannounced test screening in Bucharest, Gabriel Resources had to stop the film after 15 minutes because people were so revolted by what they saw.

Money can buy a lot of things, including a third rate "Mine Your Own Business." Disappointingly for Gabriel, there are things that money cannot buy. My land, my roots, my home, my family are not for sale and neither is my soul. Long live Rosia Montana!

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