A Story From The Heart of Borneo

• 12 Million hectares of Indonesia’s primary tropical forests
• 17 of 22 head waters of Borneo Island + biodiversity
• In June 2005:
  – 2 Million hectares – proposed to be cleared for oil palm
  – USD 8 Billion over 7 years investment deal

• Quick studies shows:
  – 90% of land areas proposed are not suitable for oil palm: no real entrepreneur will plant oil palm in the area
  – USD 28 Billion – Values of standing timber of commercial species of commercial size (from Forest Accounts)
  – 4.5 Million hectares – unplanted licensed land for oil palm (from Land Account)

• January 2006:
  – Six Ministries agreed and announced the cancellation of the plan