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Amazon Wildfires

I am saddened by the wildfires in the Amazon rainforest, especially by what the cause of it is. The president of Brazil, Jair Bolsonaro wanted to develop things in the rainforest. He also wanted to take land away from tribes that had been on that land for centuries. Tons of ecosystems were also destroyed. By doing these things, other countries weren't that happy. I also am not happy with this happening.

First of all, these wildfires are mostly caused by the actions of the Brazilian president, Jair Bolsonaro. His intention was to use the land of the Amazon Rainforest for development purposes. Doing this would cause valuable land being taken away from the rainforest, and also tribes would lose the land they have lived on for centuries. The president also said that they were not part of "the real Brazil."

In response to what Bolsonaro said, Emmanuel Macron, the French president brought this up as one of the main topics at the G-7 Summit. He also said that he would pull the EU from Mercosur. Mercosur is a massive trade deal 20 years in the making. It is currently being finalized with Brazil to help do more to protect the rainforest. But with the actions of the Bolsonaro, Macron feels that he lied to him.

To me, this is not right. You do not take valuable rainforest land, especially of something like the Amazon rainforest, and use it for development purposes. And also with the

way that the president of Brazil handled this all is what also makes me not happy. Land was taken from many organisms, destroying lots of ecosystems. Land was also taken away from tribes who had lived there for centuries. My only hope is that this stops and that the Amazon Rainforest can continue to be a place for the tribes and all the organisms who inhabit that land.

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