Abstract

Indonesia and Irian Jaya. The enduring conflict

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In the course of 1984, increasing tensions arose both within Indonesia itself, and between the Indonesian and Papua-New Guinea governments, over conditions within the Indonesian province of Irian Jaya. Repeatedly, in recent years, there have been protest demonstrations and armed clashes between groups of Papuan nationalists and the Indonesian authorities in Irian Jaya. Resentment of Indonesian rule among the indigenous Papuan population of the province. Internal divisions within the Papuan resistance. Jakarta government’s active encouragement to resettle Javanese in Irian Jaya.