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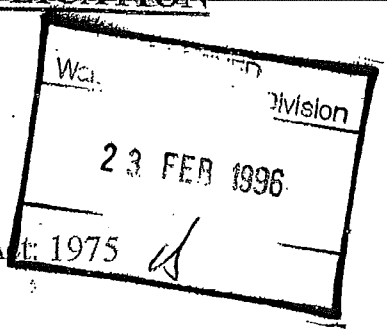
WAITANGI TRIBUNAL CLAIM APPLICATION



In the matter of the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

and

In the matter of Claims to the Waitangi Tribunal by Mark Koro Cribb and Larry Ngakoata Ponga and Others; and on behalf of their respective hapu; being descendants of their ancestor Tamahaki

"Claimants"

and

In the matter of the Waharangi Block, Whitianga Block, Marae Kowhai Block, Waimarino Block, Taumatamahoe Block, Whakahuwaka Block and others.

Being lands adjacent to the Whanganui River and being lands that are claimed by the descendants of the ancestor Tamahaki.

and

Being inclusive of Whanganui River and its tributaries from Pipiriki to Whakahoro and where those waterways lie within the Tamahaki Tribal Domain.

Dated 16 FEBRUARY 1996

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Tamahaki Council of Hapu
RAETIHI

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

1.

We, **Mark Koro Cribb and Larry Ngakoata Ponga,** in accordance with the Treaty of Waitangi Act, make this claim for and on behalf of the descendants of the ancestor Tamahaki and with the support of the Tamahaki Council of Hapu;

and

2.

On behalf of those descendants and their respective hapu hereof mentioned who are affected by this claim, that we have been prejudicially discriminated against by actions ordinances, regulations, policies, practices and by other act or omission by the Crown, its Agencies, Employees and Allies in breach of the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.

3.

It should be noted that this statement of claim is inclusive of Land Blocks for which claims to the Waitangi Tribunal have already been filed being Waimarino (Wai 221) and Taumatamahoe (Wai number not yet allocated). This statement of claim is also inclusive of the claim to the Tamahaki section of the Whanganui River Catchment area. The Tamahaki Council of Hapu was a counter-claimant at the Waitangi Tribunal Hearings for the claim to the Whanganui River (Wai 167).

4.

We require that all the claims within this statement of claim be accorded both individual claim status and also be accorded a collective generic or "umbrella' claim classification to be filed on behalf of the Tamahaki Council of Hapu.

5.

This claim may be subject to addition, subtraction or alteration as our research into the substantive matters of the claim progresses.

6.

The Tribal Rights of the hapu of Tamahaki are constitutionally recognised by the Tamahaki Council of Hapu and are therefore inherently recognised and protected within this claim.

7.

This claim could affect neighbouring hapu and iwi. In order that their input is obtained, more-so where claims could overlap as to the lands and hapu involved, notice of this claim should be served on:

Ngati Rangi Trust
- *Ngati Tuwharetoa Trust Board*
- *Ngati Maniapoto Trust Board*
- *Taranaki Maori Trust Board*
- *Whanganui River Maori Trust Board*

8.

Government Departments and Agencies who may be affected by this claim and who should have notice are:

- *Department of Justice and Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations*
- *Department of Conservation*
  Te Puni Kokiri
- *Department of Survey Lands and Information*
- *The Crown Law Office*
- *The Crown Forest Rental Trust*
- *Manawatu - Wanganui Regional Council*
- *Taranaki Regional Council*
- *Ruapehu District Council*
- *Stratford District Council*
- *Wanganui District Council*
  Relevant others

9.

Notice is given by the Claimants that this claim will be the basis for proposals being put to the Crown and its Agencies, Employees and Allies including the Minister of Justice and Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations, the Minister of Conservation, and the Crown Forest Rental Trust.

10.

Please find enclosed the Notice of Claim to the Taumatamahoe Block, documents relating to the Tamahaki Council of Hapu counter - claim to the claim to the Whanganui River, documents relating to the claim to the Waimarino Block, and other relevant documents.

11.

The address for service of the claims is:

Mrs Marina Williams
Secretary
Tamahaki Council of Hapu
PO Box 154
RAETIHI

12.

Dated this day 16 of February 1996

Signed by M. K. Cribb)
MARK KORO CRIBB)
Kaumatua) witnessed R. Wallis
Tamahaki Council of Hapu)

Signed by L H Ponga)
LARRY NGAKOATA PONGA)
Chairman) witnessed R. Wallis.
Tamahaki Council of Hapu)