

**Ko Ngati Kahu /Ngapuhi ki Whangaroa Nga Iwi**  
**Ko Ngati Ruamahue te Hapu**

25 August 2008

To: The Registrar  
 Waitangi Tribunal  
 P.O.Box 5022  
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Claim we are the descendants and rightful successors to the chiefs and people as named and submit this claim on behalf of ourselves and all members of Ngati Ruamahue hapu.

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29 Aug 2008

Ministry of Justice  
 WELLINGTON

We claim we are likely to be prejudicially affected by;

1. Loss of mana, and manaakitanga, through private purchases of Maori Lands before 1840 which when investigated by the Crown after the signing of the Treaty by its various Land commissioners, was not only validated by the Crown but all the surplus land was retained by the Crown to manage instead of returning it to the rightful Hapu " nona te whenua".
2. Private purchases after 1840 where the Crown waived its pre-emptive right to purchase Maori Land under Article 2 of the Treaty of Waitangi using the Maori Affairs Act and other acts to facilitate the loss of Maori lands and consequently loss of Ngati Ruamahue mana and tino Rangatiratanga which was guaranteed by the Crown.
3. The Crown failed to protect Ngatirumahue mana over their ancestral fishing grounds, hunting grounds, and cultivating grounds these being 'taonga' for not only their sustenance but their medical health remedies for healing and cultural rituals. By individualising the Hapu Lands through Maori Affairs acts and practises, Timber Acts, and Farming Acts and Ministry of Agriculture and Fishing Acts and many others yet to be identified Ngatirumahue Hapu was effectively stripped of their 'Taonga'.
4. Loss of Tapu, through the Tohunga Suppression Act, Cremation and Burials Act and other acts and practises which failed to protect the wahitapu of Ngatirumahue and Ngatirumahue urupa, and torere within their ancestral rohe.
5. We claim the Crown, actively through its Education Acts deprived Ngatirumahue and its descendants of their language by failing to protect it as guaranteed in the third article of the Treaty resulting in loss of "taonga tuku iho"

We claim these matters are contrary to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.

Because of the lack of full research opportunities to support our claims we ask for research assistance and any other assistance as well as an extension of time to complete the research. We request the right to amend our claim, historical, cultural, spiritual, and economical due to loss of our lands.

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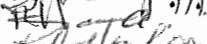
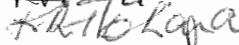

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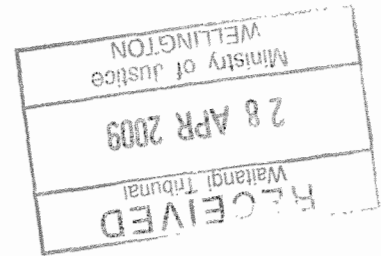
We can be contacted care of the following address

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Dated 26 August 2008

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