

## Maniapoto Hapu –Aotea Rohe Potae – Partners to Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840, Kawhia.

### *Proclamation of Self Determination*

*We the people of Te Hapu o Te Wakaminenga wahi o Maniapoto of Nu Tirení, Solemnly declare in front of the Creator. Lawfully constituted under the tikanga of Hapu of our territory "Nu Tirení".*

*Standing in the light of the Creator, Internationally recognised proclaimed sovereign authority of our Mana and Tino Rangatiratanga.*

*Lawfully constituted in accordance with "He Wakaputanga o Nga Rangatiratanga o Nu Tirení 1835" with full acknowledgement of "Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840" whilst exercising Hapu Tikanga within the territory of Nu Tirení.*

To:

**The Minister of Local Government of the New Zealand Government**

*And all Mayors, Councillors, and staff who have sworn an oath to Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II from the following councils, and local bodies:-*

Auckland City Council (including Independent Maori Statutory Board)

Waikato District Council

Waikato River Authority

Hamilton City Council

Matamata-Piako District Council

South Waikato District Council

Waipa District Council

Otorahanga District Council

Waitomo District Council

Ruapehu District Council

Taupo District Council

Thames-Coromandel District Council

Tauranga District Council

Rotorua District Council

Wanganui District Council

New Plymouth District Council

Waikato Regional Council (aka Environment Waikato)

Environment Bay of Plenty Council

CC:

**Her Majesty the Queen**

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**His Excellency Lieutenant General The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae**

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**5 April 2015**

Tena koutou katoa,

RE: Council Policy Development and the Long Term District and Regional Plan/s.

We the people of te hapu o te wakaminenga wahi o Maniapoto o Nu Tirení urgently request to meet (in a hui) with the Minister of Local Government, Mayors, Councillors, and staff of the local government authorities (or councils) in our rohe, and who have lawfully sworn oath to Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II with regard to upholding and enacting the sovereign order of our country with respect to Tiriti o Waitangi 1840.

We have noticed that many local authorities, councils, and bodies are undertaking consultation with Long Term Plans (both Regional and District) and are proposing or have enacted policy that is in breach of Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840 and undermines Maniapoto and other hapu and exposes our country to a foreign takeover through the financial system via Free Trade Agreements (Eg.TPPA) and the mismanagement of taking on debt.

Firstly, policy relating to using any natural resource (natural capital) such as water, land, sea, forestry, biodiversity as collateral for debt is a treaty breach under Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840. Hapu and Rangatira o Nu Tirení have inalienable rights and can only sell land to Her Majesty the Queen of

England and Ireland. All land titles administered by the New Zealand Government are derivative titles and are fiat with no sovereign allodial rights attached to them.

In relation to the sovereign order, of He Wakaputanga o Nga Rangatiratanga o Nga Hapu o Nu Tireni 1835 and Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840, hapu and rangatira have the right under international law to self determine the way they live their lives and how their natural capital taonga (land, water, sea, minerals, biodiversity, and other natural and cultural resources) are used.

Secondly, we object to the imposition of council bylaws, and corporate laws being imposed on marae, papakainga, Maori land, water bodies, sea, reserves and parks etc which creates a situation where our inalienable rights, tikanga, and customs are being undermined or denied through the assimilative policies of corporate industrial standards, and corporate law.

This is includes:

- Placing council rules, or laws :
  - on Hapu wanting to build their own whare, marae, papakainga, urupa, camp sites or other structures relevant to ensure they have accommodation or live their lives.
  - That impedes or restricts our access to food/medicine/art resources, or the way they are prepared or traded amongst the traditional customary economy of Nu Tireni.
  - Placing Food Control Plans (under the Food Act), this is a law for corporations.
  - Poisoning our environment with toxic chemicals (e.g. 1080, fluoride) or bio weapons such as genetically modified (engineered) crops/species, this is a danger for all that live in our rohe. There are corporate conflicts of interest with 1080 and GMO releases.
  - Privatising water or natural resources or outsourcing the roles and functions of council (e.g. Proposed policy where Watercare services will take-over the water management) and ensure the charging for water to the community.
  - Imposition of the Emissions Trading Scheme, carbon taxes, tariffs, or rates.

Thirdly: We are upset at the fact that as descendents of treaty signatories that we are being undermined by corporate entities such as iwi trust boards, incorporations, and faux sovereigns purporting to represent us.

Fourthly, we would like our historic wahi tapu , food gathering, and urupa sites to be protected, and papakainga such as Kihikihi, Ohaupo, Tokanui, Te Kawa, Waikeria, Te Mawhai, Parawera, Whatawhata, Ngahinapouri, Taharoa, Pirongia, Kawhia, Aotea, Te Mata, Whatawhata, Kaiaua, Ngatea, Paeroa, Te Aroha, Whitianga, Ohinewai, Maramarua, Tihoi, Paretonga, Whaiangaroa, Otorohanga, Te Kuiti, Waitomo, Taumaranui, Piopio, Waimiha, Ongarue, Ohura, Taihape, Taonui, Waiuru, Ngaruawahia, Kirikiriroa, Te Kauwhata, Tuakau, Mokau, Waitara, Taupo, Tokaanu, Turangi , Rangiriri, Papakura, Pukekohe, Mangere, Onehanga, Ohakune, Raetahi, Matamata, Tirau, Putaruru, Arapuni, Karapiro, Waharoa, Te Akau, Whaiangaroa, Port Waikato, Tokoroa, Mangakino, Whakamaru, Aratiatia, Mokai, Manukau, Awhitu, Tamaki, Takapuna, and others from losing their tribal identities, histories, and characteristics.

We also have concerns about our natural resources being exhausted and used to subsidise private businesses with no benefit to us while we are having our environment stripped from us. We think it

is unfair for hapu and the community to subsidise private businesses with no benefits being returned and even trying to put rates on our lands and waters which is a treaty breach.

In relation to treasury policies, we would like to have transparency on how much natural capital is being exhausted, and that there is an emphasis on paying off debt, instead of spending on liabilities, without selling down assets. Those policy makers proposing raising debt levels should be held to account.

We have noticed large scale water hording/banking in anticipation for privatisation (e.g. over allocation of water consents and our water bodies being depleted which could end up in foreign ownership under Free Trade Deals, and the TPPA.

We are concerned about the unlawful Waikato River Authority and treaty settlements, and its operations which do not service our needs or values. There is an unequal power concentration that does not reflect the treaty relationship of which most of its development and organisation was done in secret, with mainly outsiders and trust boards, and we consider this as a treaty breach.

We wish to meet to solve these and other matters pertaining to these Long Term Plans and invite you to hui with us in Kihikihi ASAP.

Heoi ano



**Georgi Job**

Rangatira of

Te Hapu o Te Wakaminenga Wahi o Maniapoto

(Uri of Taonui Hikaka Signatory to He Wakaputanga o Nga Rangatiratanga o Nu Tireni 1835 and Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840, Uri of Rawiri Te Hauparoa Signatory to Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840)



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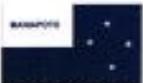
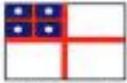
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## Proclamation of Te Hapu o te Wakaminenga wahi o Maniapoto of Nu Tireni

**To ALL and SINGULAR;** Hereto on the twenty ninth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen A.D. We the People of Te Hapu o te Wakaminenga wahi o Maniapoto exercising our ancient Right stemming from time immemorial do hereby with One Voice and Consent of Tongue and Heart Publish and Proclaim our Self-determination, our Intrinsic Sovereignty, and our Honouring and Enactment of the internationally recognized Proclamation He wakauputanga o te Rangatiratanga o Nu Tireni 1835, and the internationally recognised Standing Agreement of the Parties Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840. And We do solemnly in the presence of the Creator profess, testify, and declare that We do make this Proclamation, and every part thereof, in the plain and ordinary sense of the words as they are commonly understood by the Native People.

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**By the passing** of our Ancestors We are called to assume and fulfil the duties and responsibilities of our Inherent Sovereignty. Thus We the people of Te Hapu o te Wakaminenga wahi o Maniapoto O Nu Tireni Lawfully Constituted to internationally recognised He wakauputanga o te Rangatiratanga o Nu Tireni 1835, with full acknowledgement and agreement between Her Honourable Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and Nga Rangatira o Nga Hapu o Nu Tireni, and exercising our self-determination through our Hapu Kawa Tikanga our ancient Right and customary usages, do hereby Publically Proclaim our Absolute Sovereignty over our Lives and Property. We, standing in the Light of the Creator, and to the best of our collective abilities, are fully committed to upholding our Self-determination, our Natural Sovereignty and the Honour and Mana of the stated documents, in agreement and affirmation of our Ancestors.

**Whereas** disregard and contempt for our Proclaimed Sovereignty and that of our Sovereign Territory is resulting in barbarous acts which outrage the conscience of We the Sovereigns who hold the obligation and responsibility as Guardians for the well-being of our Territory and of all that dwell within it,

**Whereas** ignorance of fact and law by some has become a disregard and contempt for the Intrinsic Unalienable Absolute Human Right of all men and women to Self-determination; and,

**Whereas** this ignorance perpetuates the ongoing enslavement and oppression of members of the Human Family; and,

**Whereas** recognition that to exercise Self-determination, the unfettered peaceful expression of ones will, and to form associations to live together in peace and harmony and in Honour of all things, is the Absolute Right of all men and women; and,

**Whereas**, being Men and Women of Sovereign State, it is our responsibility and obligation to strive to create a world in which all men, women and children shall enjoy freedom of expression, freedom from fear and deprivation, and freedom from enslavement, and that Peace and Good Order is maintained for the betterment of all that dwell within our Territory.

**Therefore** it is the duty and responsibility of We the People as True Native Sovereigns to insure that the Constitutional Order and Rule of Law of our Territory of Nu Tireni is Honoured, and that the agreement granting the privilege of governance to Queen Victoria is Lawfully administered and upheld in the fullness of its intent and entirety.

**SUCH IS OUR WILL-SO BE IT** Nga Rangatira - Hereditary Chiefs

Print Name	Signature	Print Name	Signature
Matene RUTIA	<i>[Signature]</i>	K. Barrett	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mona HUGHES	<i>[Signature]</i>	Mona Hughes	<i>[Signature]</i>
Catherine Proletti	<i>[Signature]</i>	TERESA APREHANGA	<i>[Signature]</i>
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K. Barrett	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

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