



OFFICE OF THE

MINISTER OF JUSTICE

WELLINGTON 1

11 March 1986

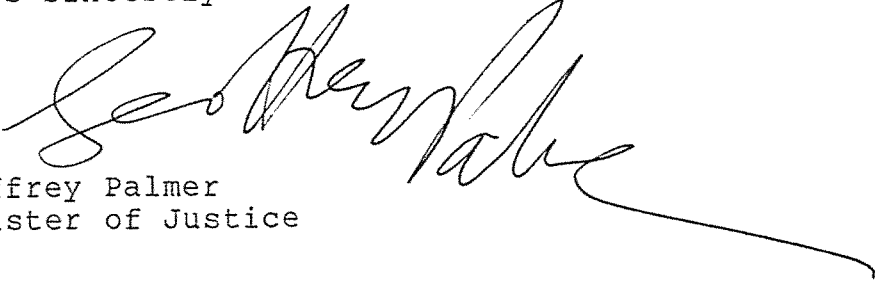
Mr R G Nairn
ACORD
PO Box 47-155
AUCKLAND 1

Dear Mr Nairn

I have your letter of 26 February 1986 concerning correspondence between your organisation and the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries over the Treaty of Waitangi.

I had already been made aware of this correspondence. You will know, of course, that the White Paper on a Bill of Rights for New Zealand states unequivocally that the Government is committed to remedying past failures to recognise the Treaty, and to legislating in accordance with it. I propose to take up with Cabinet the need for every department to fulfil this commitment in all its activities.

Yours sincerely


Geoffrey Palmer
Minister of Justice

AUCKLAND COMMITTEE ON RACISM & DISCRIMINATION

P.O.Box 47-155
Auckland 1
2nd April 1986

Tena koe e hoa.

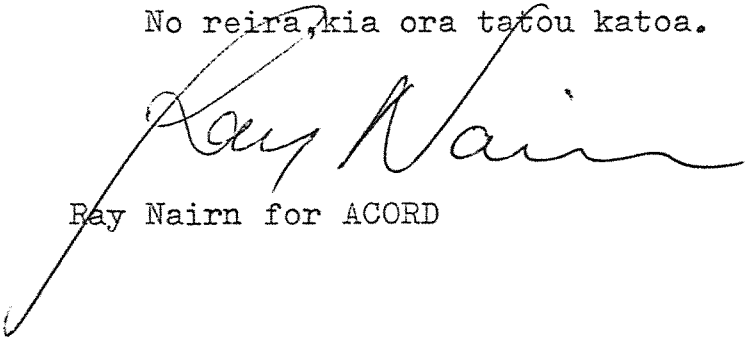
This package of material is a report on the exploitation of kina. We released our brief publication with a statement in November last year (1985). The first response was from Mr Jarman, Managing Director of the Fisheries Industry Board which had produced the report on marketing kina in Japan. Mr Jarman wrote the long letter, copy enclosed, and offered to meet with us.

Together with Matiu Rata, Titewhai Harawira, Nganeko Minhinnick and Rina Rata members of ACORD met with Mr Jarman. Out of that meeting came the delegation of Matiu and Nganeko to the meeting of the Board to ask for a cessation of kina exports. He also promised copies of the marketing report, as yet undelivered, and revealed that fishery export licenses are non-specific about the fish to be exported. The only way to control exploitation is to impose an export prohibition.

Our letter to Moyle requests such a prohibition. A similar request came from Hui Tangaroa. His reply is an interesting statement about his view of the standing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. In reply we sought clarification of the government's position concerning the treaty and enclose a copy of Palmer's very clear statement. The letter from the MAF and the item about the marine biologist both point to the department's failure to protect kai moana. They don't even know how kina live or how many there are.

Hope you find this interesting reading.

No reira, kia ora tatou katoa.



Ray Nairn for ACORD