

Why sign the Register?

Signing the Tino Rangatiratanga Register is an exciting, legal and peaceful way of telling all political parties that you've had ENOUGH - that you will no longer support a political system which oppresses you.

What will that achieve?

It is a warning to all political parties to take Te Tino Rangatiratanga seriously - or we will look for our own solutions. It says to

* **LABOUR** - "You can't take our votes for granted any more"

* **NATIONAL** - "What you're offering is no different from Labour"

* **MANA MOTUHAKE** - "A Maori minority can never hold power in a system of Pakeha majority rule"

Where will the Register lead to?

It's a first step - to take time out, to stand up for ourselves and to look for alternatives which can deliver Te Tino Rangatiratanga. Te Runanga has suggested one way - a Constitutional Conference between the Crown and Iwi to set out the rights of each.

Where can we find the Register?

People in your area who support the kaupapa have copies. Contact:

To get a register form phone our office (09) 5205-499 or send in the form below.

Who can sign the Register?

Anyone - Maori or Tauwi - who is old enough to make a responsible decision.

What will happen to the Register?

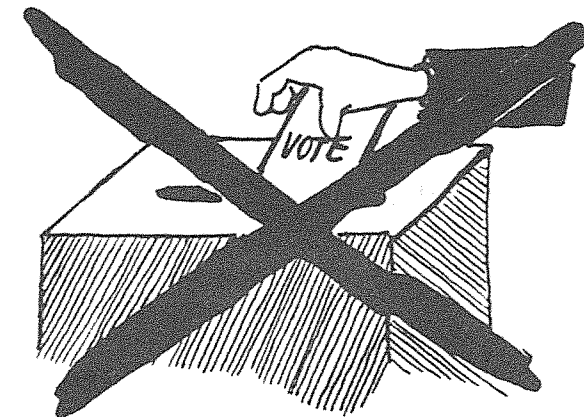
Te Runanga will keep it safe.

Please send me _____ register forms. Each form can take 10 signatures.

Name _____

Address _____

Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Hahi
(Maori Council of Churches), Box 9573,
Newmarket, Auckland 1.



TE WAKARITE - THE PROMISE

"In 1840 Maori people were promised justice, self determination, Te Tino Rangatiratanga.

Instead we became the poor, the dispossessed, the powerless.

This election, the political parties are making you more promises. In return they are asking for your vote.

*If you've had enough broken promises - if you want an alternative - Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Hahi, the Maori Council of Churches, says this year
DONT VOTE.*

Instead, sign Te Tino Rangatiratanga register and show all political parties there've been enough broken promises."

DON'T VOTE - REGISTER

(Television advertisement from Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Hahi)



LABOUR'S RECORD IN THE '80s

The Treaty:

A lot of talk. But a parcel of nothing, gift-wrapped, is still a parcel of nothing.

Economy:

Rogernomics - the rich got richer, while the poor got poorer ... and unemployed ... and more dependant on government handouts.

Social Justice:

Labour said dependency is bad and the welfare-state is inefficient. So it cut government costs, services and staff, and left communities to meet local needs from a set budget - and to take the blame for failing.

Tino Rangatiratanga:

"It does not mean that Maori have some peculiar status which other New Zealanders do not have ... We are one nation. And we are all equal." (Palmer, 1989)

Koati!!

NATIONAL PROMISES FOR THE '90s

The Treaty:

Same as Labour - but with less of the gift wrapping.

Economy:

Same as Labour - but with less of the unions.

Social Justice:

Same as Labour - but with more private profitmakers.

Tino Rangatiratanga:

"The oneness of New Zealand is not negotiable. Collectively this is our land and we are all proud to be New Zealanders."
(Bolger 1988)

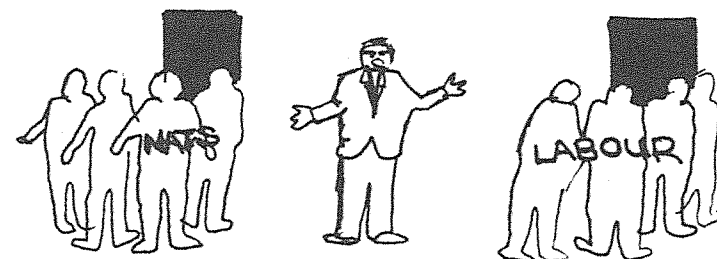
KUA TAE MAI TE WA!!

SO WHY NOT VOTE FOR MANA MOTUHAKE?

* Parliament is based on British sovereignty. Voting for any MP means accepting that - and giving up our tino rangatiratanga.

*Even if Mana Motuhake get 4 MPs there's 93 Pakeha MPs against them - they will always be outnumbered and outvoted.

* Voting means you're willing to play a game you know you can't win - and that you don't believe things can ever be any different.



But Mana Motuhake has promised to introduce a Bill for a Maori political structure, based on 8 regions.

True. But even if you like the idea, how realistic is it? The last time a Maori MP tried to pass a law like that was 1893. All the Pakeha MPs walked out and the law was never even voted on. In 1990, do you believe the outcome would be any different?

