

WAITANGI ACTION COMMITTEE

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To All Subscribers

NEWSLETTER

Kia ora koutou katoa,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have actively protested against injustices they have suffered as a result of the Treaty of Waitangi. We know that if it hadn't been for us then the take of holding different hui around the country so people can start talking about the Treaty would never have happened - especially to the extent of all those who have publicly come out against us, are now been seen to initiate these hui. Nevertheless we now have amongst us the direct link to the Queen of England, Paul Reeves, who we hope will take this very important take to the fore. Failing that it looks like we'll just have to carry on the protest as if nothing has changed.

As for the lack of communication since the last newsletter, that's simple. At the moment we have so much information concerning this year's march that we have decided that another booklet similar to 'Hikoi 84' will be published and hopefully ready for sale by the end of June.

Some of the articles that will be published are:-

- interviews from those who took part in the march
- interviews from those who didn't go to Waitangi
- Maori Embassy
- copy of the re-enactment of the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi
- Waitangi Marchers Guide
- International involvement
- Statements of support
- WAC's position concerning the Governor General
- Resolutions of Waitangi hui Feb 4&5th
- a full photographic section

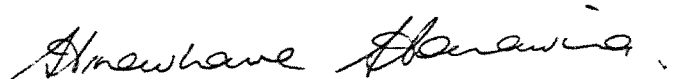
and many more articles of interest to all concerned.

As far as the payment of subs. is concerned I am allowing a two month over your expiry date to compensate for the months you'll be missing out on.

Waitangi Action Committee is also proud to endorse Hone Ngata of Tai Rawhiti and Henare Kani of Kahunungu who will be attending the International Indian Treaty Council Conference in Seattle, Great Turtle Island from June 28th - July 3rd where they will be presenting the take of the Treaty of Waitangi -learning of how other countries are affected as a result of treaties and hopefully making contact with those who have already been to Aotearoa. They will be taking resolutions over to get international support for, of which have already been the wishes of the people from the different hui from throughout the country. Depending on how long they wish to stay away for it is hoped that they would be able to stop over in Hawaii and visit the island of Kaho'olawe - a sacred Hawaiian island which is used as a bombing target under the guise of 'Rimpac'. Anybody who is able to assist financially would be greatly appreciated and you can send it to me specifying that it is for Hone and Henare's trip. We wish you well in your trip and look forward to hearing of your experiences on your return.

Well folks I hope this hasn't been too much of an inconvenience to you but I assure you that the booklet is well worth waiting for.

Arohanui



Hinewhare Harawira

Co-ordinator