

IN THE WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

Wai 2180, Wai 1705, Wai 647, Wai 588,
Wai 385, Wai 581, Wai 1888

IN THE MATTER OF

the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975 and the
Taihape: Rangitikei ki Rangipo Inquiry
(Wai 2180)

IN THE MATTER OF

a claim by Isaac Hunter, Utiku Potaka,
Maria Taiuru, Hari Benevides, Moira
Raukawa-Haskell, Te Rangiangoa
Hawira, Kelly Thompson, Barbara Ball and
Richard Steedman on behalf of themselves,
the Iwi organisations who have authorised
them to make this claim and the Mōkai
Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust (Wai 1705)

AND

a claim by Maria Taiuru and others for and
on behalf of Wai 647 Claimants (Wai 647)

AND

a claim by Isaac Hunter and Maria Taiuru
and others for and on behalf of the Wai 588
Claimants (Wai 588)

AND

a claim by Neville Franze Te Ngahoa
Lomax and others for and behalf of the
Potaka Whanau Trust and Nga Hapu o
Ngati Hauiti (Wai 385)

AND

a claim by Neville Franze Te Ngahoa
Lomax and others for and behalf of Te
Runanga o Ngati Hauiti (Wai 581)

AND

a claim by Iria Te Rangi Halbert and others
for and behalf of the Wai 1888 Claimants
(Wai 1888)

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**Joint Statement of Evidence of Maraea Bellamy,
Te Rangiangoa Hawira and Richard Steedman
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1. Tena koutou katoa.
2. This statement of evidence is filed by the three of us on a joint basis: Maraea Bellamy, Te Rangiangoa Hawira and Richard Steedman.
3. We acknowledge the hospitality of our whanaunga here in Omaha.
4. We have read the technical report of Maire Tau and Martin Fisher entitled “Customary Interests in the Kaweka and Gwavas CFLs” and we acknowledge the research that has been undertaken by them both.

Maraea Bellamy

5. I am Maraea Elizabeth Oriwia Bellamy. I have previously provided evidence to this Tribunal.
6. I am the eldest child of Hoeroa Tiopira aka Sonny Hiroa and Una Hinemoa Raimapaha Everson.
7. On my paternal side I am affiliated to Ngati Hinemanu, Ngati Paki, Ngati Honomokai and Ngai Te Upokoiri hapu of Ngai Te Ohuake.
8. Our kainga were at Awarua Tuturu and other various places on the Awarua No 1 block, as well as the Mangaohane and Owhaoko blocks.

Te Rangiangoa Hawira

9. I am Te Rangiangoa Hawira and I have previously given evidence to this Tribunal.
10. I am of Ngāti Hinemanu, Ngāti Honomōkai and Ngāi Te Upokoiri hapū of Ngāi Te Ohuake.
11. I am of the Hoeroa Tiopira whanau. My lines of descent and interests come down through my mother Punahaurangi (Betty) Toma Hawira nee Ropata, from her mother Oriwia Hoeroa-Tiopira, and my great-grandfather, Te Hoeroa Tiopira also known as Rawiri Hoeroa.

Our mother had five siblings: Roma, Tame, Robert, Peata and Oriwia (who died in infancy).

Richard Steedman

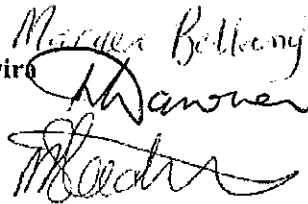
12. I am Richard Steedman and I have previously given evidence to the Tribunal. I am a direct descendant of Winiata Te Whaaro, of Ngāti Paki descent. My iwi is Ngāi Te Ohuake.

Attached research

13. We attach a paper as **Appendix A** that Richard Steedman has prepared in relation to the question of customary interests in the Kaweka and Gwavas Crown forest lands. We support and endorse the research. Together, we have discussed the implications of this research for our own whanau and hapū.
14. It is important that we also acknowledge the perspectives of some of our whanaunga who are associated with the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust. We are all allowed to differ. We hope that in presenting this research we can show why we reach the conclusions we reach. We continue to look for positive ways in which all of our respective whanau can work for the common betterment of our people, because we have all been affected so greatly by the impacts of Crown colonisation.

27 January 2020

Maraea Bellamy
Te Rangianganoa Hawiro
Richard Steedman

The image shows three handwritten signatures in black ink. The top signature is 'Maraea Bellamy', the middle one is 'Te Rangianganoa Hawiro', and the bottom one is 'Richard Steedman'. The signatures are written in a cursive, flowing style.