

Translation. 11th July, 1866.

We, the Waitara Natives having claims within the Town of Waitara (Raleigh), have agreed with William Atkinson, Crown Agent, to accept land as compensation for our claims, and to abandon all further claim to the town there. We therefore ask the Court not to proceed to hear those claims for Waitara. We have entirely agreed to Mr. Atkinson's proposals. We have had the situations of the lands we are to receive pointed out to us, and are satisfied.—Signed by RAWINI RAUPONGA and 78 others.

AGREEMENT to allow the Native Land Court to subdivide certain Portions of the Land returned as Compensation.
New Plymouth, Hurae 10, 1866.

KUA whakaae matou nga tangata e pa ana ki te whenua i te taha ki uta o te rohe o te Taone, ki Waitara a tae noa ki te rohe o nga pakeha ki uta atu Matarikoriko kia tukua ki te Ture mo nga whenua Maori kia mahia, kia whakaotia i runga i nga ture o te Kooti whakawa whenua i tangohia e te Kawanatanga i runga i te ture "New Zealand Settlements Acts, 1863 and 1865," mo Waitara katoa (Waitara South).—Signed by NIKORIMA NGAHAUPAKEKE and 55 others. Witnesses: H. Halse and Tahana.

Translation. New Plymouth, 10th July, 1866.

We, the people claiming the land inland of Waitara (Raleigh Town), going on to the European boundary inland of Matarikoriko, agree to hand that land over to the Native Land Court for proper investigation of title. We therefore object to Waitara South being brought before the Compensation Court.—Signed by NIKORIMA NGAHAUPAKEKE and 55 others.

MEMORANDUM by Crown Agent. 11th July, 1866.

I AGREE, on behalf of the Crown, that all its claim to the land in Waitara South Block, to the north of the northern boundary of the military settlements, and to the east of the Puketapu boundary, shall be given to the loyal claimants, as far as the Town of Waitara.—W. S. ATKINSON, Crown Agent.

MEMORANDUM by the Natives' Agent. 11th July, 1866.

I HEREBY declare that I am aware of the intention of the Maoris in signing the above document, and that the meaning which it was intended by them to bear is, that they would withdraw their claims before the Compensation Court on condition of the Crown ceding to them the land between the northern boundary of the military settlements and the Waitara Township and the Puketapu boundary and the Waitara River; and that the Native Land Court should settle the internal divisions of this piece of land between the several claimants.—R. PARRIS, Civil Commissioner.

MEMORANDUM by the Crown Agent to the Civil Commissioner. New Plymouth, 10th July, 1866.

SIR,—I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following proposals of settlement in satisfaction of all claims of friendly resident and absentee Natives and half-castes for compensation on the block of land known as Waitara South: 1. To give to the above-mentioned claimants the whole of the block to seaward of the military settlements in the Waitara South Block, with the exception of the Waitara Township. 2. The whole of the reserves contained in the above-mentioned military settlements, with the exception of the town belts. 3. A fourth part of the land which is comprised in the Township of Waitara, outside of that which is intended for the town present and future, comprising about 500 acres. 4. Also the Matitaiore Bush, supposed to contain about 50 acres. 5. One hundred and twenty-five sections in the Waitara Township, to be chosen in the following order—viz., the Natives to choose one and the Government nine sections alternately. Also, sections on the site of the Hurirapa pa.—I have, &c., W. S. ATKINSON, Crown Agent.

3.—OAKURA DISTRICT.

Mr. PARRIS, Civil Commissioner, to the CROWN AGENT, New Plymouth. 29th June, 1866.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, enclosing a list of claimants in the Oakura Block, as allowed by the Compensation Court, and offering the Native claimants the whole of the remaining land in the Oakura Block in full compensation for their claim. I presume by the term "the whole of the remaining land," it is intended to include all the Government reserves and the whole of the land not allotted to the military settlers. With this understanding I agree, on behalf of the Native claimants, to accept the offer submitted for my approval in full compensation for their claim within the said block.—I have, &c., R. PARRIS.

Mr. W. S. ATKINSON to Mr. PARRIS, Native Agent. 29th June, 1866.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day, accepting my offer (on behalf of the Natives) of the whole remaining portion of the Oakura Block not occupied by military settlers as compensation in full of all their claims over the said block, and to thank you for your promptness in the matter. It will be necessary that some of the principal Native claimants should appear with yourself before the Court to-morrow, at 10 o'clock a.m., in order to complete the arrangement.—I have, &c., W. S. ATKINSON, Crown Agent.

4.—NGATIRUANUI: Between Stoney River and Kaupukunui.

Claim A.—Hangatahua (Stoney River) to Waiweranui.

B.—Waiweranui to Te Hoe.

C.—Te Hoe to Omaturangi.

D.—Omaturangi to Kaupukunui.

Claim A; Ngatiruanui Coast. Oketopa 26, 1866.

KUA whakaae matou me te tangata i whakaritea mo te taha ki te Kawanatanga (a Wiremu Atkinson) kia tukua mai he whenua mo to matou paanga ki waenganui i a Hangatahua me Waiweranui hei whakakore i to matou tikanga ki runga ki taua wahi katoa. A ka tono nei matou ki te Kooti kia kaua e puta tana kupu mo tenei pihi whenua mo waenganui i a Hangatahua me Waiweranui. Kua whakaae rawa matou ki te tikanga kua whakaaturia mai ki a matou e Wiremu Atkinson. Kua oti te whakarite mo tera tangata mo tera tangata i nga eka o te whenua mo matou.—Signed by ROPATA NGARONGOMATE and 22 others. Witnessed by Tahana and Karira.

Claim A. 26th October, 1866.

We have agreed to accept from Mr. W. Atkinson, Crown Agent, certain land as settlement in full of all our claims over the land between Hangatahua and Waiweranui, and we abandon all further claim to it. We now ask the Court not to proceed further in its investigation in reference to that land, as we have had each one's award explained to us by Mr. Atkinson, and we unreservedly accept his terms.—Signed by ROPATA NGARONGOMATE and 22 others.

Claim B; Ngatiruanui Coast. Oketopa 26, 1866.

KUA whakaae matou me te tangata i whakaritea mo te taha ki te Kawanatanga (a Wiremu Atkinson) kia tukua mai he whenua mo to matou paanga ki Waiweranui tae atu ki te Hoe hei whakakore i to matou tikanga ki runga ki taua wahi katoa. A ka tono nei matou ki te Kooti kia kaua e puta tana kupu mo tenei pihi whenua mo Waiweranui tae atu ki te Hoe. Kua whakaae rawa matou ki te tikanga kua whakaaturia mai ki a matou e Wiremu Atkinson. Kua oti te whakarite mo tera tangata mo tera tangata i nga eka o te whenua mo matou.—Signed by KOMENE TUPOKI and 17 others. Witnesses: Tahana and Karira.