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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION No. 31 OF 1944, OF
THOMAS SMILER AND ANOTHER, CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION
OF HINETEARIKI PUNAHAMOA FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE
SHARES AWARDED UNDER TAUPARA IN THE MANGATU
Nos. 1 AND 4 BLOCKS**

*Presented to Parliament in Pursuance of the Provisions of Section 13 of the Maori Purposes
Act, 1944*

Maori Land Court (Chief Judge's Office),
P.O. Box 3006, Wellington C. 1, 15th July, 1948.

Memorandum for the Right Hon. the MINISTER OF MAORI AFFAIRS.

MANGATU NOS. 1 AND 4 BLOCKS

PURSUANT to section 13 of the Maori Purposes Act, 1944, I transmit the report of the Court on the claims and allegations contained in petition No. 31 of 1944, of Thomas Smiler and another, concerning the exclusion of Hineteariki Punahamoa from participation in the shares awarded under Taupara in the Mangatu Nos. 1 and 4 Blocks.

The substance of the petitioners' claim is that the Court, upon investigation, wrongfully refused to admit their mother, Hineteariki Pera or Hineteariki Punahamoa, as an owner under the Whanau-a-Taupara claim in the Mangatu Nos. 1 and 4 Blocks.

The Court has reported, after a full investigation, that in its opinion the petitioners have not established their claim, and that their mother was not entitled to be included as an owner. I recommend that no further action be taken in respect of the claims and allegations in this petition.

D. G. B. MORISON, Chief Judge.