

were appointed to be a Commission to inquire into and report upon certain claims preferred by members of the Maori Race touching certain lands known as Surplus Lands of the Crown as set forth in the said Warrant :

And whereas by Our said Warrant you were required to report not later than the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, your findings and opinions on the matters thereby referred to you :

And whereas by Our further Warrant of date the nineteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, the time within which you were so required to report was extended until the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven :

And whereas it is expedient that the time for so reporting should be further extended as hereinafter provided :

Now, therefore, We do hereby extend until the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, the time within which you are so required to report :

And we do hereby confirm the said Warrants and Commission save as modified by these presents.

In witness whereof We have caused these presents to be issued and the Seal of Our Dominion of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed at Wellington, this tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Bernard Cyril Freyberg, on whom has been conferred the Victoria Cross, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, [L.S.] Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Companion of Our Distinguished Service Order, Lieutenant-General in Our Army, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Dominion of New Zealand and its Dependencies, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion.

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command—

P. FRASER, Minister of Maori Affairs.

Approved in Council—

W. O. HARVEY, Clerk of the Executive Council.