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## REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF MAORI LAND COURT ON PETITION No. 15 OF 1947, OF RAURETI TE HUIA AND OTHERS, PRAYING FOR AN INQUIRY IN RELATION TO CERTAIN LANDS IN MANGAPIKO AND PIUNIU PARISHES

Presented to Parliament in Pursuance of the Provisions of Section 55 of the Maori Purposes Act, 1947

> Maori Land Court (Chief Judge's Office), P.O. Box 3006, Wellington C. 1, 10th March, 1950.

Memorandum for the Hon, the MINISTER OF MAORI AFFAIRS

LANDS IN MANGAPIKO AND PUNIU PARISHES

Pursuant to section 55 of the Maori Purposes Act, 1947, I transmit to you the report of the Court on the claims and allegations contained in petition No. 15 of 1947, of Raureti te Huia and others, praying for an inquiry in relation to certain lands in Mangapiko and Puniu Parishes.

In view of the Court's report I recommend that no further action be taken on this petition.

D. G. B. Mortson, Chief Judge.

Maori Land Court, Judge's Office, Auckland, 16th November, 1949.

Report for the Chief Judge.

Re Petition 15/1947, by Raureti te Huia and Others

I HELD a special sitting at Te Awamutu on Monday, 12th April, 1948, to inquire into the matters raised by this petition.

You will see from the petition itself that it is couched in the vaguest possible terms and it is not possible to see from the petition who might be affected by it. It was assumed that the Crown only was affected, and the Crown appeared by its representative, Mr. P. B. Wright, of the Land and Survey Department, Auckland.

I desire to suggest that in all cases the petitioners should be required to set out explicitly in their petitions exactly what is claimed, how the claim arises, and who is affected by the petition.