

Blocks (*vide* his evidence contained in Book 5 of last Commission, page 291). He then said, "My boundary begins at Ngatapa (Manuoha), thence in a straight line to Te Ana-a-Paparuakete, thence to the main range (Ikawhenua) to Oharuru, thence to Te Ranga-a-Kapua, thence to Te Rimuroa, and thence to Ngapukeriki Trig. Station on the boundary-line of the Tahora No. 2 Block, thence along that boundary to the southern boundary of that block to the point of commencement."

He also states, "This boundary-line from Paharakeke to Ngapukeriki is a boundary handed down from the ancestors," and he adds that this line was laid down by the ancestor Tui.

We will also here take into consideration the statement made by Te Whenuanui before this present Commission during the hearing of the Waikaremoana case at Te Wairoa on the 19th December, 1906, to the effect that the Ruatahuna Block does not cross over on to the eastern side of Huiarau Range; also the evidence of Te Wao Ihimaera, given before us, to the effect that the sources of the Orangitutaetutu Stream are within the Ruatahuna Block, and that that land does not belong to the Tuhoe side, but, he says, "belongs to me on my Ngati Kahungunu side."

This is the same boundary as that given by Wi Pere, from the places marked "(4)" to "(7)" and on to Manuoha "(8)" on the plan, and on from there. Te Whenuanui and Te Wao Ihimaera are members of both Tuhoe and Ngati Ruapau Tribes.

We have considered the evidence given before us in conjunction with the evidence given in regard to the boundary-post at Paharakeke during the hearing of the Tahora case, and we have no doubt in our minds and no hesitation whatever in laying down the permanent dividing boundary between the Tuhoe and Ngati Kahungunu Tribes to follow the lines shown in the plans of the Tauranga, Maungapohatu, Ruatahuna, and Waikaremoana Blocks respectively, and also in the general plan of the Urewera District Native Reserve—that is to say, commencing on the boundary-line of Te Tahora No. 2 Block at the place named Ngapukeriki on the mountain-ridge between the Kaahunui Stream and the Tataweka Stream, following the main range from there to Ngapuketuru as shown on the plan, thence to Te Ranga-a-Kapua, thence to Paharakeke, thence to Hopuruahine, thence to Orangitutaetutu, thence to Te Whiri-a-Raukatauri, peg xvi, thence to peg xiv, still following the main watershed range, to the Trig. Station 2128 at Whakatakaa, thence to Te Mangoroa, peg xii, and thence following along the surveyed line shown in the plan to the place named Te Apiti on the bank of the Waiau River.

We recommend that this be fixed to be the permanent dividing tribal boundary between Tuhoe and Ngati Kahungunu, it being at the same time understood that this does not shut out or disallow the rights of the said two tribes to the lands lying on either side of the said dividing tribal boundary respectively.

We further recommend that all that portion of this land extending from Te Whiri-a-Raukatauri, peg xvi, and following the new boundary above mentioned as far as the Hopuruahine Stream, and down that stream to the mouth of the Orangitutaetutu Stream, at peg xviii, on the northern boundary of Waikaremoana Block, and following the said northern boundary-line westerly to peg xvi, be added to Waikaremoana Block, and be deemed to be a part of Waikaremoana Block, as though there were no dividing-line cutting off the said portion therefrom.

We further recommend that all that portion of the land, comprising 18,253 acres, more or less, and contained within the boundaries commencing at Ngapukeriki, thence to Ngapuketuru, thence to Paharakeke, and thence turning easterly and running straight to the mouth of Owahakarotu Stream at its junction with Anini Stream, thence by a straight line to the western boundary of Te Tahora No. 2 Block, and thence following that boundary northerly to point of commencement, be called by the name of Paharakeke Block, and be awarded to Wi Pere and the proper members of his hapus of Ngati Maru, Ngati Rua, and Ngati Hine, whose names and relative shares are set out in the list attached to the file of papers for this land, and therein numbered respectively from 1 to 1,010, with a total number of 4,294 shares.

In regard to that portion of the land lying between Paharakeke and the Hopuruahine Stream, we will now proceed to consider whether all the land in that locality remained in the possession of the descendants of Hingaanga and others of the Ngati Kahungunu ancestors, or whether it passed away from them through conquest or by occupation. We must also at this stage take into consideration the boundary given by Eria Tutarakauika when claiming that portion of this land. His boundary then commenced at Manuoha Trig. Station, and thence by a straight line to Paparuakete—that is to say, to Paharakeke. We are therefore of opinion that that boundary should be permanently fixed as shown in the plan to be a straight line commencing at the place named Manuoha by Eria—*i.e.*, at Trig. Station 2129, and running thence northerly to Paharakeke, thence running easterly by a straight line to the junction of Owahakarotu Stream with Anini River, and on to the boundary of Te Tahora No. 2 Block, thence turning southerly and following the said Tahora boundary-line to the northern boundary of Waipaoa Block, then turning westerly along the said northern boundary of Waipaoa Block and Waikaremoana Block to the point of commencement at Manuoha, and we recommend accordingly, and that the land contained within the above-mentioned boundaries, comprising 19,672 acres, more or less, should be called by the new name of Manuoha Block, and awarded to the descendants of Hingaanga—that is to say, to the persons contained in the list of names, numbered from 1 to 571, inclusive, attached to the file of papers for this land, with relative shares as therein shown, and that the names and shares of the fifty-seven persons of the Ngati Kahungunu Tribe who are contained in the original order for the Maungapohatu Block be struck out of the Maungapohatu Block, and we have attached a list of the said persons showing the numbers standing opposite their names in the original order for Maungapohatu to the file of papers of Maungapohatu Block.

The boundaries of the balance of the Maungapohatu Block, containing 28,462 acres, more or less, to commence at Paharakeke, running thence southerly to Manuoha, thence westerly along the northern boundary of Waikaremoana Block to Hopuruahine Stream, thence northerly up the Hopuruahine Stream, and following the surveyed boundary as shown in the plan between Maunga-