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JAMES THOMAS HODGSON NORMAN FRANCIS SMITH, LL.B. IF CALLING ON TELEPHONING WITH REFERENCE TO THIS LETTER PLEASE ASK FOR Mr Smith Day, C. March Mila OPOTIKI,

NEW ZEALAND
14th July 1972
17. JUL 1972
Land Court.

ROTORUA

The Registrar, Waiariki District Maori ^Land Court, Private Bag, <u>ROTORUA</u>

Dear Sir.

re - D.J. McCormack - Ref. Waiotahi CC

We thank you for your letter of the 12th July and wish to advise that we are now desirous of effecting a transfer of the interests of Elizabeth Ropatini in Lots 138, 139 and 474 Parish of Waiotahi into the abovenamed. To enable us to effect this it would be appreciated if you would arrange registration of the succession orders in respect of Waiotahi Lot 474 against Certificate of Title 2D/784. Your advice as to whether or not this Block is in fact Maori freehold land would be appreciated. You mention that allotments 138 and 139 are not Maori freehold land and yet the Certificate of Title shows now evidence of any status declaration nor any other information to suggest that the land has become Europeanized. In previous instances of this nature we have had difficulty in establishing to the satisfaction of the District Land Registrar the actual character of the land concerned and your assistance in this would be appreciated.

Wardah conts to me,

Yours faithfully, POTTS & HODGSON Per:

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Telephone 4810



In reply, please quote :

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

24 JUL 1972

CLEUK ROTORUA LAND AND DEEDS OFFICE Private Bag, GISBORNE, 21 July, 1972.

The Registrar, Maori Land Court, Private Bag, ROTORUA.

re Certificate of Title 2C/1187 - Lots 138 and 139 Waiotahi Parish.

We have an enquiry from a firm of Solicitors as to whether or not Caveat 1576 can be withdrawn from registration. The Caveat was lodged by the District Land Registrar at the time in order to protect the interests of the beneficiaries under the Will of Paretoka, deceased.

According to the Will of Paretoka, the land was to vest in his four children viz., Materua Haunui, Tipuna Haunui, Te Ratuhoehoe Haunui and Harimate Haunui, in equal shares through Wiremu Haunui as executor. As can be seen by two Succession Orders dated 19th July 1939 which have been registered in this office, the land was vested in three of the children and two others others.

In order to have the Caveat removed from the title, we would like to know what happened to the interest of Harimate Haunui.

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for Assistant Land Registrar.

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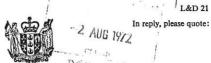
27 July 1972

Assistant Land Registrar, Land & Deeds Office, Private Bag, GISBORNE.

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 2C/1187 - LOTS 138 & 139 WAIOTAHI PARISH

- 1. Referring to your memorandum of 21 July, you will observe that the succession order to Paretoka was made on 19 July 1939. The evidence given in the Maori Land Court at that time records that Harimate Haunui was then deceased leaving no issue. According to the rules of succession, the interest devised to her by the Will passed as on intestacy.
- 2. In any event, the interest of Paretoka has been disposed of by an order of the Maori Land Court which was not appealed from andhas subsisted since 1939 and cannot now be disturbed. I suggest therefore that there is no valid reason why the caveat should not be removed from the title.
- Could you please advise who last uplifted C.T. 2C/1187.

(H. P. Martin) Deputy Registrar Address all correspondence to: THE DISTRA LAND REGISTRAR



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31 July 1972

The Deputy Registrar, Maori Land Court, Private Bag, ROTORUA.

C.T. 2C/1187 - Lots 138 and 139 Waiotahi Parish. Your Ref: Waiotahi C.C.

In reply to your letter of 27 July 1972, I wish to advise that the above certificate of title was last uplifted by Messrs Woodward Iles & Co., Barristers & Solicitors, Gisborne, on 28 March 1969.

I also wish to advise that Caveat 1576 has this day been withdrawn.

(N.N.Nawalowalo)

Wardah Cornes Assistant Land Registrar.

Waiotahi c.c.

4 August 1972

Messrs Potts and Hodgson, Barristers and Solicitors, P.O. Box 18, OPOTIKI.

Dear Sirs,

D.J. McCORMICK

The Assistant Land Registrar in Gisborne has now advised that Cavest 1576 has now been withdrawn from C.T.2C/1187.

This Title was last uplifted by Messrs Woodward Iles & Co., Barristers & Solicitors, Gisborne.

Yours faithfully,

(H. P. Martin) Deputy Registrar