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06 July 1992

The Honorable D.A.M. Graham
Minister of Justice
PO Box 180
WELLINGTON

Dear Sir

We wish to draw your attention to significant matters concerning the Whakatohea Confiscation Claim.

We agree with the opinion that you expressed on the Marae at Wairaka that both parties, ourselves and your office should meet as soon as it is convenient to set down the protocols for negotiations.

However, a matter of immediate concern for us is that there has been no firm instruction from your office at this point in time that a Land Bank of Crown Assets in the Whakatohea Rohe Potae be reserved for possible settlement.

It seems that from recent experiences Landcorp, the Police Department and the Public Works are still advertising Crown property for sale.

If you could use your influence without prejudice on these two items of joint interest we can proceed with our negotiations.

Yours faithfully



C A Edwards
Executive Chairman



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28 July 1992

C A Edwards
Executive Chairman
Whakatohea Maori Trust Board
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Dear Claude

Thank you for your letter of 6 July 1992. I have prepared papers for Cabinet consideration on an early warning system for Whakatohea. Decisions should be made over the next month. I have also directed that the Raupatu negotiations be activated. No doubt we will be meeting before too long.

Yours sincerely

Douglas Graham
Minister of Justice