

Treaty of Waitangi V Royal Charter/Letters Patent

Maori Are Not Tangata Whenua – They are Tangata Maori.

“The traditions are quite clear on one point, whenever crew disembarked there were already tangata whenua (prior inhabitants). The canoe ancestors of the 14-century merged with these tangata whenua tribes. From this time on the traditions abound with accounts of tribal wars over land and its resources. Warfare was the means by which tribal boundaries were defined and political relations between tribes established. Out of this period emerged 42 tribal groups whose territories became fixed after the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi and the establishment of Pax Britannica”. (Pax Britannica - British Peace). Dr Ranginui Walker, "1986 New Zealand Year Book", page 18,

At the time the Treaty of Waitangi was signed it was a known fact that Maori were not the tangata whenau or the indigenous people of New Zealand and was the reason Rev Henry Williams referred to them as tangata Maori. Over 500 Maori chiefs accepted being called tangata Maori when they signed the Tiriti o Waitangi in 1840. Since this time tangata Maori have merged with other races of there own free will until today they are New Zealand citizens of many mixed races.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi Dated the 6th February 1840

The Tiriti o Waitangi was *“Done at Waitangi on the 6 February 1840”* and was an agreement between Queen Victoria and the tangata Maori chiefs that gave Great Britain sovereignty over all the Islands of New Zealand under the dependency of New South Wales. Tangata Maori were given, *“The same rights as the people of England”*. No more, No less. Tiriti o Waitangi, Article 3.

"The treaty which forms the base of all my proceedings was signed at Waitangi on the 6 February 1840, by 52 chiefs, 26 of whom were of the federation, and formed a majority of those who signed the Declaration of Independence. This instrument I consider to be de facto the treaty, and all signatures that are subsequently obtained are merely testimonials of adherence to the terms of that original document". Lt. Governor Hobson. No English version was signed on the 6 February 1840 and Hobson never authorised an English version of the Treaty of Waitangi to be signed by the tangata Maori chiefs.

Queen Victoria’s Royal Charter/Letters Patent Dated the 16th November 1840

Queen Victoria’s Royal Charter/Letters Patent dated the **16 November 1840** superseded the Tiriti o Waitangi and separated New Zealand from New South Wales. New Zealand became an independent British Colony with its own Governor, Constitution and Government to make laws with Courts and Judges to enforce the Law all under the watchful eye of Great Britain. The Royal Charter/Letters Patent came into force in New Zealand on the **3 May 1841**. Queen Victoria’s Royal Charter is completely ignored by the Government. Te Papa and the Ministry of Justice do not even have a copy of the Royal Charter/Letters Patent, New Zealand’s **True Founding Document and First Constitution**.

The alleged Treaty of Waitangi claims have nothing to do with the Treaty of Waitangi, they were alleged breaches of New Zealand Laws and therefore should

have been heard in a Court of Law where most claims were “fully and finally settled or rejected” in the **1930’s and 40’s**.

Waitangi Tribunal

Since the **1975 Treaty of Waitangi Act**, which created the **Waitangi Tribunal** the hearing of these claims have breached the Magna Carta, the Treaty of Waitangi, Queen Victoria’s Royal Charter/Letters Patent and the Human Rights Act. Any alleged claim should have been heard in a Court of Law and under Court procedure where the claimants are cross-examined, which would have sorted out fact from fiction and would never have allowed the false claims such as the Te Roroa Treaty of Waitangi claim and many others to proceed based on distorted, manufactured and false evidence.

For further information on Queen Victoria’s Royal Charter/Letters Patent, our **True Founding Document and First Constitution**: www.onenzfoundation.co.nz.

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