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Dear Ms Peterson

Thank you for your email. You will appreciate that the Governor-General acts on the advice of his Ministers and is not empowered to intervene in the matters you have raised.

Kind regards

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Attn. of: The Right Hon Sir Jerry Mateparse, Governor- General

Dear Sir,

As the Queen's representative, and a highly decorated Military Officer, patriotic that you are, you would be the only representative able to address these issues, so that justice may be served.

This claim will be the first of its kind in New Zealand. It is being presented on behalf of my father and his family. He was a New Zealand Native Soldier from W.W.1. who served twice thereafter, for The New Zealand Expeditionary Forces.

Over several years I have been back and forth between Government Departments, compiling a very large historic file. Our lawyer at that time retained most of our historic documents. My lawyer, Janet Mason of Pacific Law, dismissed me, and then submitted my research into Maori Military Veterans claims, under The Treaty Of Waitangi, Wai 2500.

Why would she dismiss me after all these years, and for what purpose would she keep my documentation?

We have been in contact with Chris Finlayson, who suggested I go through the Waitangi Tribunal, which I did. There has been no response from Judge Issac to date. I have submitted a file to

him to show how my lawyer has perverted the course of justice with regard to my claim, and I've asked for an investigation into Janet Mason's Treaty claims, presented from 2010 onwards, including the Wai 2500.

I was advised to read up on the Treaty by the Race Relations member, which I did and I cannot see any financial compensation offered.

Could you explain why, when the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975 was passed, it did not include Native into the decision for the Treaty claims?

In 2011 we sent a detailed file to the British Archives, so it could be passed on to Her Majesty The Queen, which could be addressed only by Her, and Heirs from King George Vth, for what took place between her Soldiers and Government.

Who elects the members of the Waitangi Tribunal? My understanding, this is one of your roles as Governor General, plus who checks the authenticity of their documents?

For years we had to prove fraud, through our documentation, for what took place, but when dealing with Legal Aid for claims under the Treaty, all they need to produce are verbal submissions. We have proven fraud on several occasions over many years, but over the last twelve months the Government Departments are perverting the course of justice by not releasing, under the OIA and 26 (a) (i) of the Privacy Act, all their Historic Documents re their decision to decline.

The contract states that King George The Vth and His Heirs are responsible to address this issue of ours today.

Not only did my lawyer retain most of my research without my consent, but the Legal Aid Office, Rotorua, have removed a considerable amount of my documents as evidence. These have now disappeared. Legal Aid Rotorua informed me that there was another file that had been sent to Wellington. When asked for that file to be returned, which it was, we found it also had documents missing and a lot of double ups to justify the

size of the file.

We were asked to prove fraud, which took place 100 years ago, and we have been able to do so. It now seems that our Government Departments are doing the same to me on a financial level, as they did to our Returned Servicemen back then.

Yours sincerely

Granddaughter of (William Magnus Peterson)

Tanya Peterson