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## FOREWORD

The research report that follows is one of a series of historical surveys commissioned by the Waitangi Tribunal as part of its Rangahaua Whanui programme. In its present form, it has the status of a working paper: first release. It is published now so that claimants and other interested parties can be aware of its contents and, should they so wish, comment on them and add further information and insights. The publication of the report is also an invitation to claimants and historians to enter into dialogue with the author. The Tribunal knows from experience that such a dialogue will enhance the value of the report when it is published in its final form. The views contained in the report are those of the author and are not those of the Waitangi Tribunal, which will receive the final version as evidence in its hearings of claims.

Other district reports have been, or will be, published in this series, which, when complete, will provide a national theme of loss of land and other resources by Maori since 1840. Each survey has been written in the light of the objectives of the Rangahaua Whanui project, as set out in a practice note by Chief Judge E T J Durie in September 1993. The text of that practice note is included as an appendix (app 1) to this report.

I must emphasise that Rangahaua Whanui district surveys are intended to be one contribution only to the local and national issues, which are invariably complex and capable of being interpreted from more than one point of view. They have been written largely from published and printed sources and from archival materials, which were predominantly written in English by Pakeha. They make no claim to reflect Maori interpretations: that is the prerogative of kaumatua and claimant historians. This survey is to be seen as a first attempt to provide a context within which particular claims may be located and developed.

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AJHR	<i>Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives</i>
AJLC	<i>Appendices to the Journals of the Legislative Council</i>
ATL	Alexander Turnbull Library
ch	chapter
CMS	Church Missionary Society
CT	certificate of title
DNZB	<i>Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</i>
doc	document
DOSLI	Department of Survey and Land Information
fn	footnote
GBPP	<i>Great Britain Parliamentary Papers</i>
MB	minute book
NA	National Archives
NLC	Native Land Court
NLP	native land purchase
NZJH	<i>New Zealand Journal of History</i>
NZPD	<i>New Zealand Parliamentary Debates</i>
OLC	old land claims
p	page
s	section (of an Act)
sec	section (of this report, or of an article, book, etc)
sess	session
SLC	Surplus Lands Commission
TCD	<i>Maori Deeds of Land Purchases in the North Island</i> (H H Turton (comp), Wellington, 1877)
TPD	<i>Maori Deeds of Old Private Land Purchases</i> (H H Turton (comp), Wellington, 1882)

