

IN THE TANNA ISLAND KOT
HELD AT ISANGEL
TAFEA PROVINCE
(Chiefly Title)

Chiefly Case No.01 of 2013

BETWEEN: CHIEF RINGIAU NASSE IAKEWEI MAFE
Claimant

AND: PAROMOUNT CHIEF RINGIAU KOMI
Defendant

Justices : Jipalo
Moses Nimaïen
William Lomai

Clerk: Blandine TEPI

Date of Hearing: 6th May 2013
to 10th May 2013
20th May 2013
to 22nd May 2013
Date of Judgment: 19th July 2013.

JUDGMENT

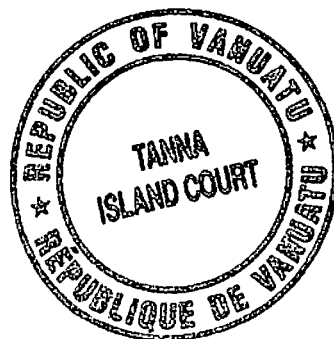
IN THE MATTER OF: NAME OF RINGIAU AND CHIEFLY TITLE **WE OLI CALLEM IENI**

BACKGROUND

Hemia hemi Name mo Chiefly title case No.1 of 2013. Insaed long case ia ikat two parties we tufala iclaim custom onaship from name mo Chiefly Title we oli refer long hem olsem "NAME MO CHIEFLY TITLE RINGIAU".

Chiefly Title Case Numba 1 blong 2013, hemi bin listem blong hearing long Tanna Island Kot long Monday 6th May 2013 kasem Friday 10th May 2013 mo hearing icontinue bagagen long Monday 20th May 2013 kasem Wednesday 22nd May 2013 kasem taem hemi komplit.

After long hearing, kot hemi bin ko wetem tufala parties blong visitem, nakamals, graves and settlements, we tufala parties iclaimems Name mo Chiefly Title Ringiau follem past generations to generations blong tufala.



Laws mo Accepted Kastom Rule we istap Long Tanna

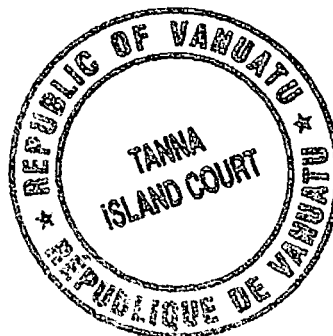
- 1. Section 10 blong Aelan Kot Act Cap 167-application of customary law-**
“Subject to the provision of the Act and island kot shall administer the customary law prevailing within the territorial jurisdiction of the kot so far as the same is not in conflict with any written law and is not contrary to justice, morality and good order”.
2. Customary chiefly title hemi inherited true long **Patrilineal system**, from Father to son;
3. **KATAFU** or Last surviving bloodline, (women hemi save inheritem Chiefly title from hemi only survivor).
4. **ADOPTION** (adoptem pikinini long custom hemi save inheritem Chiefly Title);
5. Custom Histri blong chiefly title long Tanna, hemi start wetem custom story blong “TIUTIU mo IOHNUO ikam long NUMRUKWEN mo KAUWIAMETA mo ikam long RINGIAU mo IAUKALPI kasem today.
6. NUMRUKWEN MO KAUWIETA hemi name blong tufala ship we hemi ancrem all indigenous mo dividem boundries long ol Nakamal round long Tanna.

Kot hemi givim aot olgeta findings blong hem blong mekem declaration. Hemia nao hemi full Judgment blong case ia.

1. BACKRAON BLONG CHIEF RINGIAU IAKEUAI NASSE MAFE ORIGINAL CLAIMANT

Hemia hemi wan kastomary Name mo Chiefly Title Claim we Chief Ringiau Iakeuai Nasse Mafe olsem spokesman mo semtaem hemi filem claim blong hem long Tanna Island Kot se hem nao hemi kat full custom raet long name and Chiefly Title ia “Ringiau” follem of past generations blong hem we oli onem name mo Chiefly title ia.

2. BACKRAON BLONG PAROMOUNT CHIEF RINGIAU Defendant



Defendant blong case Paramount Chief Ringiau Komi mo spokel person blong hem hemi Pascal Ringiau we hemi filem counterclaim long Name mo Chiefly Title blong Ringiau from hemi wan Kastom title blong Paramount Chief Ringiau folem ol ol past generations blong hem we oli bin ownem Chiefly Title ia.

**SHORT KASTOM HISTRI BLONG CHIEF RINGIAU IAKEUAI NASSE
MAFE - CLAIMANT**

Apu Ringiau we hemi bin ko long Australia brother blong hem Iaukalpi. Papa blong tufala hemi Ringiau, Apu blong tufala hemi Mafe, tufala ibin dividem tufala, Ringiau iko long Australia mo Iaukalpi istap long Ianemakel hemia long long whitesand area.

Iaukalpi brother blong hem Ringiau. Ringiau ibin kat 2 women, name blong tufala hemi Magao Toari mo Hutagum. Magao Toari ino kat pikinini be Hutagum ikat 2 boys mo 3 girls. One boy hemi Tom Iaukalpi mo narawan hemi Ringiau Mafe we hemi pupu blong Claimant. Pupu Tom Iaukalpi ikat 2 wifes be ino kat pikinini. Apu Ringiau Mafe ikat 2 wifes, Sako ikarem papa blong mi, Ringiau Iahmahu Jonathan, Nauru ikarem Iaukalupi Nako hemi stap nao ia. Ringiau Iamahu Johnathan ikarem mi, Ringiau Iakeuai Nasse Mafe.

**After long presentation blong spokel person we hemi Chief Ringiau Nasse Iakewei
Mafe hemi bin stap olsem main witness blong case.(swearing in Aoth)**

Chief Ringiau Nasse Iakewei Mafe hemi born long 24th August 1962. Papa blong hem hemi Johnatan Iamehou mo mummy blong hem hemi Aline. Hemi talemaot name blong tufala ship(nego) Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta mo name blong tufafa Chiefs hemi Ringiau mo Iaukalpi.

Ringiau hemi Numrukwen mo Iaukalpi hemi blong Kauwiamera.

Tufala ship ia i kam long mountain Melen mo kam show long Port Resolution mo ko long Ianemakel hemia long white sands area mo tufala iko insaed long house we oli callem Isoro .Tufala ship ia Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta, tufala ibin identifiem long Ringiau mo Iaukalpi mo tufala ship ia hemi kam long spirit form. Tufala i bin fight from Power inside long house Isoro . Kauwiameta small one ifight from power. Chief Iaukalpi descendants blong hem everywan blong ship Kauwiamera. Tufala isucceed long every Nakamal around long Tanna.

Long custom ceremony Kauwiameta hemi stap mo Numrukwen hemi wan way ticket. Numrukwen hemi stap follem guidance blong Kauwiamera. Mi blong Numrukwen. Taem Iaukalpi ishutem hem, wan Fight we oli callem Nafunan ino start yet. Iaukalpi ided oli berem hem long Ianemakel kolosap long Mr. Kautiama. Apu Iaukalpi ishutem hem wan from Nauka Kamtang we hemi papa blong Roy Nawarau, ikat affair wetem Hustagem we hemi wife blong Iaukalpi generation 3.



Apu Iaukalpi hemi wan chief mo hemi kat 2 wives, Iaukalpi hemi shutem hem wan long Masket from Hutagem ikat affair wetem Nauka.
Apu i kivem custom name Nasse long mi from Nasse Itonga ibin kam stap wetem Apu Iaukalpi.

Nasse Itonga, papa blong hem wan white man.

Apu Iaukalpi mo Hutagem tufala i kat 2 sons . Tom Iaukalpi hemi nokat pikinini. Apu Iaukalpi hemi lukaotem wan girl. Apu Mafe hemi brother blong Iaukalpi. Apu Mafe Nalosao hemi no Apu Mafe Ringiau. Time ia i nokat Kemu Ringiau. Apu Ringiau istap long taem ia mo Apu Mafe, hemi Chief.

Iaukalpi i singaotem Ringiau Mafe. Ringiau iblong mi follem custom. Papa blong mi hemi King mo mi Spokeman (Ieni). Ringiau Mafe hemi Chief blong Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta. Mo wan(1) Chief isave karem two(2) custom Title we yumi stap disputem, yumi kat wan village nomo. Ringiau long Generation 6. Tufala ancestors Tiutiu mo Iohnoo, tufala ibrother, tufala i representem Ringiau mo Iaukalpi. Tiutiu hemi Ringiau mo Iohnoo hemi Iaukalpi. Mi sigaotem name Ringiau long Family tree blong mi. So name ia Tiutiu ino kat long family tree blong mi.

Long year 2003, title blong Chief hemi connect wetem Toka, Chief Kemu Ringiau hemi distributem all fetta. Papa blong mi lamehu ino wearem fetta from oli no appointem hem. Kemu Ringiau, King blong Hem, hemi Kasualy, mo you nao, Kemu Ringiau, yu distribute ol straps Mo tufala ikat wan tupunas nomo.

Settlements blong mi, hemi olsem wan snake diagram. Mi settle iko mo ko back behind from movement hemi indicatem.

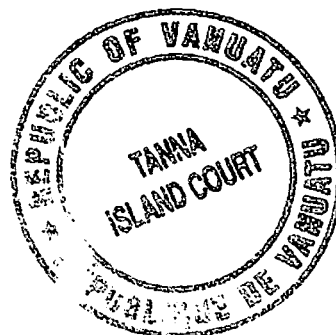
MR. SOWANNY NASIGANAMU

Witnes ia hemi tekem oath blong hem mo hemi mekem ol statement olsem. Hemi talemaot long Kot se Ringiau hemi defren name and Mafe hemi defren name, tufala ino relate long bloodline. Mo name Mafe i kamaot long family tree blong Iaukalpi, hemi se papa blong Mafe hemi Iaukalpi mo mamy hemi Hutagem.

MR. KIDJION NAMBAS

Hemi tekem oath mo confirmem se tufala Chiefs Ringiau mo Iaukalpi tufala Paromount Chiefs blong Ianemakel village. Tufala chiefs ia blong Nakamal long Lounapal. Hemi confirmem se Iaukalpi hemi kat 2 women mo hemi no kat pikinini boe or girl, mo hemi gohed blong talem se Iaukalpi hemi adoptem Mafe, from Hutagem we hemi wife blong Chief Iaukalpi, hemi hemi kat affair wetem Nasse, Iaukawei mo Nauka. Chief Iaukalpi we hemi chief nao ia, hemi kat bloodline.

Chief David James Nulak



Hemi tekem oath mo talemaot se hemi luk Kemu I pas mo hemi no save se Kemu hemi kam where. Ino kat grave blong Kemu long Lonoo.

Barnabas Napuati

Hemi tekem oath mo talemaot se oli karemaot title blong Chief Ringiau mo kivem long Nasse. Mo Chief Ringiau hemi no bin stap longtime ia. Mo hemi bin talem se hemi go olsem wan observer. Hemi no save long Kemu mo twelve(12) Nakamal ino kat right blongputum Chief Ringiau iko long Nasse.

Mr. Tom Kalaba

Hemi tekem oath mo talemaot se bloodline blong Chief Ringiau we iexist before ikam istap yet hemia nao Nasse.

KASTOM HISTRY BLONG PARAMOUNT CHIEF RINGIAU

Defendant

Taem Ringiau mo Iaukalpi isettle down after long fight, tufala isettle insaed long wan tribe we hemi tribe blong Ringiau oli kolem Kasaru mine.

Long same taem, hemi kam king blong ol pipol blong hem, and ino bin kat fulup man long time ia, hemi sharem title blong hem, we hemi king iko long Kaswely we hemi papa blong Moses Nasu. So Ringiau ikam Ieni(Spokeman) blong hem. Be iklia blong save we king hemi title blong Ringiau and from hemi nokat brother, hemi kivim long Kaswely. Government hemi Ringiau mo king blong hem, hemi Moses Kaswely long Iounapal hemia long Nakamal Ianemakel.

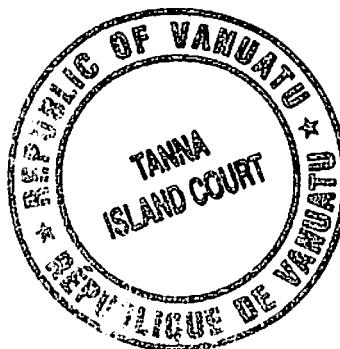
Taem Ringiau i putum gud ol pipol blong hem insaed long tribe Kasaru long Ntani vi (or new land) hemi kam back stap long Yanemakel Nakamal from olgeta. Chief Ringiau hemi stap olsem bigfala Ieni blong olgeta kasem today.

Long Ianemakel Ringiau hemi live wetem:

1. Bigfala King (Iarumaning) blong hem, Moses Kasualy
2. Police blong hem Takhane
3. Narmaning ikat Kamoi, jaik Yahmanga

After long presentation blong spokeman Mr. Pascal RINGIAU, hemi stap olsem main witness blong case

Hemi mekem application for 5 Exebits and Inatatao(Song)



Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta tufala ibrother mo tufala inokat tawi mo tufala stone mo tufala ispirit. Mo tufala ikam appear long Ringiau mo Iaukalpi. Tufala ikam long mountain melen mo tufala ifollem custom road we oli callem Nao. Ringiau mo Iaukalpi tufala i brother story blong ship(nego) tufala ikat papa. And mi save histri blong Ringiau.

Long Ianemakel Ringiau hemi representem Numrukwen.

Ikat Numrukwen around long 12 Nakamals long Tanna. Every Numrukwen long every Nakamal oli respectem, mi Ringiau. Tufala ship ikam show long Ianemakel. Taem ship istap kam daon wetem naruk(Blac magic). Naruk ino ko long nakamal hemi shame, from Skeipis i mekem hem, Faol iko lukaotem hem, Kava too iko lukaotem hem and pig we oli callem Kotaik ifinem hem. Tufala ikarem tupunas and tufala iputum tupunas mo settlements. And tufala idistributem around long Tanna. Tufala ikam Shore, tufala igo stap long house ISORO, wetem Tupunas mo Numrukwen mo Kauwameta.

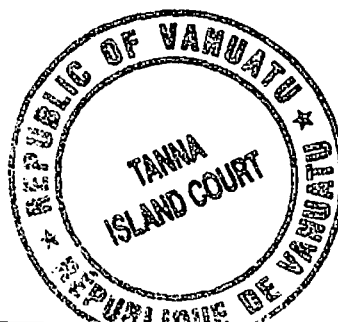
Fight i broke out, oli just move. Tufala iko insaed long Ringiau mo Iaukalpi long Iaukalpi long Spirit Form. Tufala ifilim Authority Power, taem ia nao, tufala i stap dispute from Power. Hemi result long damage blong house Isoro. Tufala ibreakem house Isoro wetem ol people blong tufala. Ikat song we hemi abaot tufala i fight. Fulap fight, distribution blong tupunas, ol song(nataao) istap wetem

ol Nakamal blong ship(nego). We tufala ship ipass long hem. Ol people blong tufala, we i putem, oli kat Nataao(song) blong hem. Nataao(song) hemi stamp long custom. Ringiau Iakawei istap insaed long Family tree blong mi. Mi maincenem 5 tribes, every wan ifight. Chief Ringiau hemi captain blong ship blong olgeta. Chief Ringiau ikaptain kasem Konali Sipi. Oli endem fight long ples ia, mo planem white Nabanga. Ringiau mo Iaukalpi, tufala tugeta ifight.

Long year 2003 ikat Toka long Ianemakel hemi blong joinem FETA we ibroke, from Kamoi ibreakem feta blong Kasuali mo Boya.

Function blong wan King(Iarumaneng). Title blong Iarumaneng, yumi crownem hem olsem king insaed long Nakamal long time blong Toka. Oli putum Iarumaneng long wan Nakamal blong hemi maintenem pis mo Unity. Long Nakamal long Ianemakel ikat 2 kings. Captain istap Act olsem Iaramara(king) long time ia. After we oli movem ol people iko long Ianemakel Iankinati, and then Ringiau mo Iaukalpi i kamback stap long Ianemakel, taem ia nao mi givem Responsibility long Kasualy mo Kasuali ikarem second feta blong hem. Long family Tree blong mi kat two (2) graves blong Iakawei Ringiau mo Ringiau Kemu. Mo Kemu Ringiau iblong Ianemakel. Apu blong mi kat 4wifes, Taotao, Nipina, Papoga mo Kasu tufala idivorce. Mi Ringiau, mi relate long Apu Iaukalpi. Feeling blong Apu Iaukalpi (see photo exebit) hemi lukaotem mi long circumcise imekem malamala wetem every custom activity.

First born pikinini blong Apu Ringiau mo Mangao hemi Sam, all apu ia nao oli kamaot long generation blong Ringiau. Long Second generation hemi ol man blong



fight. Chief Ringiau Namatak mo wife blong hem lalele, tufala ikat wan pikinini mo Kemu Ringiau mo wife blong hem Magao, tufala ikat wan pikinini. Every pikinini blong Ringiau mo Mangao ikat Daniel, Ruth, Iakawei, Ringiau, Sam, Gideon mo Namu mo Mangao Toari(1.2.3.) oli kam long tribes blong Nupukah(pig). Mi family Ringiau mo family Nepukah from all pupu women ikam long Family Nepukah. Mi no connectem Family tree blong Apu Ringiau wetem Iaukalpi from Apu Iaukalpi hemi blong yu.

Ol people blong Ringiau oli appointem Ringiau, hemi kam chief. Kemu Ringiau hemi wan chief, wife blong hemi Magao.

Then Chief Iakawei Ringiau No.6 generation, papa blong hem wetem ol people blong hem oli appointem hem.

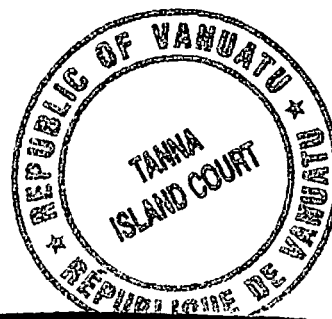
Papa blong Chief Iakawei Ringiau ided long year 1979 mo before ided hemi Lukluk ol pikinini blong hem mo hemi jusem Iakawei Ringiau follem Custom blong yumi long Tanna.

Apu Ringiau hemi no adoptem Nauka, be Nauka, hemi blong fasem tight ship long Ianemakel. Apu Ringiau hemi ino kivemaot title iko long narafala man. Papa blong Iakawei Ringiau ibin jusum Ringiau Iakawei. Title i stap nomo. Wetem mi follem bloodline blong Ringiau title istap Taem Ringiau Iakawei ided, title istap wetem Chief Komi Ringiau hemia long Ianemakel istap kasem today.

Long year 2003, oli mekem Toka long Loweyalew hemia long Ianemakel. Nakamal Loweyalew ikat wan chief we name blong hem , hemi Chief Ringiau. Every Apu we oli stap long Ianemakel, oli stap long Lonapal hemia before population istap kam antap oli spread. Ianemakel hemi wan village. Stone blong Numrukwen mo Kauwiemera istap long Ianemakel.

Taem mi stap long Nikoletan, mi registrem name hemi Ringiau Iakavei. And Kemu hemi first name.

Hemi stap long page 7 hemi wan diagram we hemi government system blong Numrukwen. Ol man ia nao oli electem Chief Ringiau. Follem past procedure, papa hemi Chief, hemi indicatem, and hemi talemaot long ol people blong hem. Mo government system blong Numrukwen we Chief Ringiau ilidem mo oli practicem. Chief Ringiau ijusem and imekem Government isave. System hemi carry out mo System blong Chief Ringiau i passem title long narawan, istap between Chief wetem ol People blong hem, ol namesek, long nakamal oli save long hem. Comparaisn blong wan groupe blong people wetem ol groupe blong Numrukwen hemi mining full istap wetem decision blong chief wetem all people blong hem. Chief Ringiau hemi communicate wetem 12 Nakamal, taem oli kam, oli respectem wanem hemi mekem. Wanem we Chief Ringiau imekem hemi flow igo inside long system and taem mi stap ko, olfala, mi mas jusem wan long ol pikinini blong mi, and mi talemaot long ol pikinini from Ship(Nego) hemi holi. Practical blong system ia



itake place finis. Mifala we ibloodline, title blong Chief Ringiau ipass follem bloodline. And title ino move hemi stap nomo.

Follem custom blong yumi long Tanna, yu startem wetem group concern and yu just talemaot.

MOSES NASU KASUALI

Moses Nasu Kasuali hemi tekem oath olsem fes witins mo statemen blong hem olsem ia; Hem olsem Iarumaneng blong Nakamal Lounapal mo too hemi agree long full statement blong Kemu Ringiau mo includem family tree.

Mi Moses Nasu Kasuali, mi stap karem custom basket blong Ianemakel. Mo Takane we hemi police long Ianemakel. Ikat two(2) captain Koari mo Boya. Oli shutem brother Manaula, tufala pikinini blong Iarumaneng iko ded. And Boya ikat one Pikinini girl Nalausei, hemi pikinini blong Kawari. First wife, mitufala ikat wan girl Elsie Kasuali, hemi bloodline blong Iarumaneng blong Lounapal. Mafe I Pikinini blong Nasse Itonga. Mafe iborn, oli luk, hemi pikinini blong narafala man, Iaukalpi ishuttem hem long masket. Oli karem Mafe ikam blong hemi brother blong Iaukalpi. Be Iaukalpi hemi no brother blong hem Mafe, tufala ibrother long side blong mama. Nasse Itonga ikam long Ianemakel icausem problem long way. Hemi run away iko iko long Imelet. Taem Nasse Itonga ikam long Ianemakel isingaotem Leyalew. Iaukalpi mo Mafe iborn finis, Mafe I born defrend colour, Iaukalpi we wife blong hem, hemi Hutasgem, hemi shutem hem wan ided.

Ringiau mo Iaukalpi ikam long ship(nego) long Ianfitana, tufala ikam Ieni blong Lounapal and bloodline blong tufala ifinis.

Ringiau hemi narafala family mo Iaukalpi narafala famili, Kemu Ringiau mo Iaukalpi ikam long wan basket nomo. Mo tufala I brother long ship.

Papa blong Ringiau hemi Kemu. Mafe mo Iaukalpi tufala ikat same mama we hemi Hutasgem.

Mafe papa blong hem, hemi Nasse Itonga.

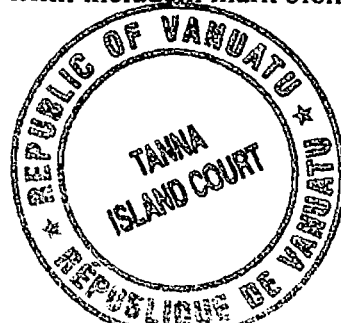
Iaukalpi papa blong hem hemi Iaukalpi. Magao hemi kam long tribe blong kasarumene mo hemi wife blong Ringiau, pikinini blong Iakavei, and Iakavei pikinini blong hem Komi. Name Toari hemi name blong bigman. Mi save nomo Ringiau. Hutasgem ikam long Nakamal long Lounapal and iko long man blong hem.

Grave blong Ringiau hemi stap long Lounapal we hem ihome blong Iarumaneng mo mi save 2 graves blong Iaukalpi.

Ringiau Nauka hemi blong holem work hemi aotsaed long bloodline.

Iaukalpi we hem ishuttem hem, grave blong Ringiau istap mo Iakavei istap.

Mi save nomo se first born blong Ringiau wetem Magao hemi Kidjion. Long nakamal long Loweyalev Boya hemi putum Naiew (longfala fetta) from hemi bloodline blong Kasuali. Mi no bin warem Naiew from mi stap long Vila. Ikat wan Naiew nomo mo colour blong hem i red istap antap hemi includem mark blong police



blong hem. Long time blong Numrukwen mo Kauwiemeta mi stap finis .Everiwon ikam daon long Lenakel karem wan man name blong hem Namke, mi wan nomo mi stap.

Iaremaneng ikat Ieni mo Tupunas. Any problem we i happen Ieni nao istap solvem. Taem King iwrong, bambae hemi fine long Kava Tapuga mo pig Kaypa.

Ringiau hemi kat first women Magao. Supreme Nakamal hemi long Lounapal. Tufala ibin stap, blong takeover long house blong Ianemakel.
Nasse Itonga, hemi wan foreigner, papa blong hem kam long Germany.

Jelson William

Witnis ia hemi tekem oath mo talem se; Mi mo Faronga, mitufala tugeta Ieni, mo mitufala istap long Nakamal long Ianemaha, mo Nego i pupum mitufala long Ianemaha.

Chief Ringiau hemi bigman blong mi, mo ikat bloodline blong Ringiau, and mi Ieni blong Nakamal.

Ringiau mo Iaukalpi tufala high Ieni blong Ianemakel. Mo Ianemaha Nakamal hemi Kitchen. Mi save Ringiau Kemu.

Ringiau hemi wan chiefly title.
Mo Iaukalpi hemi wan chiefly title.

Maliwan Nangia Konally

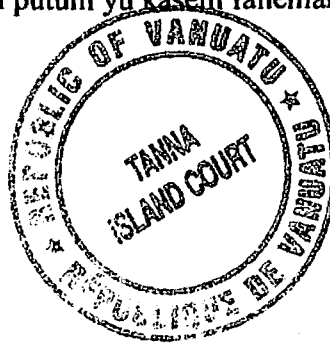
Witnis ia hemi tekem oath mo talem se Hutasgem hemi bornem Iaukalpi Ionivev mo hemi wan bigfala women mo ikam long tupunas blong yam. Iarumaneng ibigwan. Mi save Tom Iaukalpi nomo se hem i bloodline blong Ringiau. Ikat fulap women ikam long Ianenakel be mi best long Apu Hutasgem. Hutasgem ikam i marretem Iaukalpi Ionivev hemi Kauwiamera. Taem blong Avest, oli stap kam kakae yam long Ianakuili. And Ianakuili hemi wan supreme Nakamal mo hemi kat on decision making. Iaukalpi hemi Apu blong mi. and mi relate too long Ringiau.

William Nangi

Hemi tekem oath mo evidence blong hem hemi no helpem kot. I minim se hemi talem toktok plante we hemi no relate long Kes.

Louis Iakis

Witnes hemi tekem oath mo talem se Mi chief, Taem fight hemi finis mi pem tufala long new land and captain long territory long time ia hemi Ringiau. New land ikam wan nabanga we hemi Naosinao. And mi nao mi putum yu kasem Ianemakel and



Lapangtawa hemi Supreme Nakamal blong lonial.Ol 12 Nakamal oli work under Ringiau mo Iaukalpi. Mi save abaot Kemu Ringiau.
Title blong Ringiau hemi high more.

VISITATION

Purpose blong visitation hemi blong halvem kot iconfirmem ol storian we ol patis mo ol witins italem long kot.

Claimant

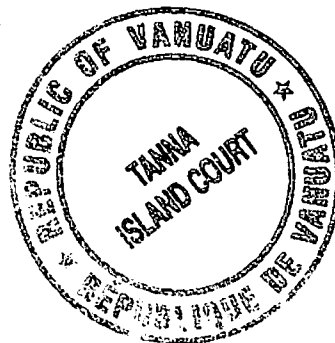
1. Ianemakel Nakamal
2. Nakamal Lounapal
3. Grave blong Iaukalpi
3. House Isoro – long Ianemakel

Defendant

1. Ianemakel Nakamal
2. Nakamal Lounapal
3. Grave blong Ringiau mo Iaukawei
4. 2 stones (Numrukwen mo Kauwiemera)
5. Working stick – settlement blong ol people
6. Stone Kasouasou – hemi blong fight
7. Ax – cuttem darkness mo allow light (Christianity)
8. Bubu – blong kivim signal long ol people blong hem.
9. Cave blong Ringiau mo Iaukalpi we tufala ibin hide
Long time blong Fight
10. House Isoro – long Ianemakel

SUBMISSION BLONG PLAINTIFF

1. Hemi confirmem name blong tufala ship(nego) Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta.
2. Name blong tufala chiefs Ringiau mo Iaukalpi.
3. Chief Ringiau hemi blong Numrukwen
4. Chief Iaukalpi hemi blong Kauwiemeta
5. Chief Iaukalpi descendants blong hem everiwan blong ship Kauwiemera.
6. Plaintiff, hemi confirmem se hemi blong Numrukwen
7. Chief Iaukalpi ishuttem hem wan, from Nauka Kamtang iko
inside long house blong hem mo kat affair wetem wife blong
hem Hutasgem.
8. Apu Iaukalpi ikivem custom name Nasse long mi.
9. Nasse Itonga papa blong hem, hemi wan whiteman.
10. Apu Iaukalpi mo Hutasgem, tufala ikat 2 sons, ikat Tom Iaukalpi
mo Mafe Nalasao.
11. Apu Mafe Nalasao hemi no Mafe Ringiau.
12. Tom Iaukalpi hemi no kat pikinini.



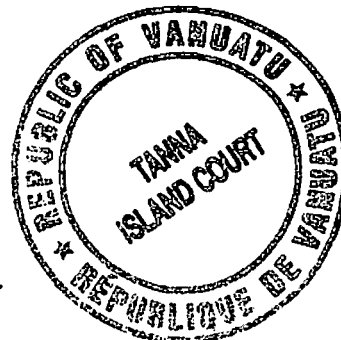
13. Mafe Nalasio, hemi kat pikinini, descendants hemia nao mi.
14. Hemi confirmem se papa blong hem, hemi king, and Claimant hemi Ienee(spokeman).
15. Ringiau Mafe hemi Chief blong Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta.
16. Mo wan Chief isave karem 2 ships.
17. Hemi confirmem se long year 2003, Title blong chiefs hemi connect wetem Toka. Chief Komi Ringiau hemi distributem all straps. Papa blong mi Iamehu Johnathan Mafe we hemi king, hemi no wearem fetta from oli no appointment hem.
Kemu Ringiau we hemi Ienee(Chiefs), King blong hem Kasualy. Mo Komi Ringiau nao, hemi distributem ol straps long taem blong Toka.

SUBMISSION BLONG DEFENDANT

1. Chiefly title blong Paramount chief Ringiau we ipassed down from Generation to generation follem bloodline blong mifala Ringiau. Title blong Paramount chief Ringiau ibin passed from father to son and ifolem generation istap ko kasem today.
2. Paramount Chief Ringiau ibin fight long tribal war long histy blong Numrukwen mo Kauwiameta and hemi bin captain mo hemi contribute plante blong settlement blong ol man long ol various settlements we oli stap long hem kasem today. Mo hemi captain kasem konali Sipi mo hemi endem fight mo planem white Nabanga.
Chief Ringiau mo Iaukalpi too defriend people.
3. Mafe hemi totaly defriend man.
4. Kemu hemi surname
5. Ringiau hemi family name.
6. Hemi talemaot se Apu Iaukalpi hemi blong Nasse.
7. Ol people blong Ringiau oli apointem Ringiau, hemi kam Chief.
8. Kemu Ringiau hemi chief, wife blong hem Magao.
9. Iakawei Ringiau hemi chief, papa blong hem wetem ol people blong hem oli appointem hem.
10. Papa blong Iakawei Ringiau idead long year 1979 mo before hemi dead hemi lukim ol pikinini blong hem mo hemi jusem Iakawei Ringiau folem custom blong yumi long tanna.
11. Ringiau ino adoptem Nauka, hemi blong fasem tight ship long Ianemakel
12. Iakawei Ringiau idead and title istap wetem Komi Ringiau hemia long Ianemakel istap kasem today.
13. Iaukalpi I blong yu.
14. Ringiau I blong mi

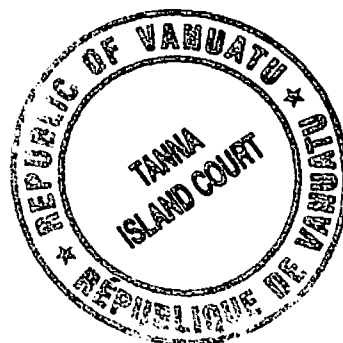
FUNDING

After long hearing blong kes ia:



1. Kot hemi finem se histri we ikam long Tiutiu mo Ionhnuho, mo ikam long Numrukwen mo kauwimeta ikam long Chief Ringiau mo Chief Iaukalpi, hemi wan(1) custom histri nomo mo wan basket nomo
2. Chief Ringiau mo Chief Iaukalpi we tufala bloodline iexist today, tufala ino relate long bloodline.
3. Family tree blong claimant hemi kamaot long MAFE mo hemi kat Ringiau, Iaukalpi mo Iamahu.
4. Long Family tree Ringiau hemi ko long Australia mo no kam bak.
5. Iaukalpi hemi bonem bakaken number 2 Iaukalpi nao hemi bonem Mafe Ringiau mo Mafe Ringiau hemi bonem Iahmahu Johnathan Mafe.
6. Iamehu Johnatan Mafe nao hemi bornem Iakeuai Ringiau Nasse MAFE we istap olsem Claimant long Kot.
7. Family tree blong defendant we hemi Ringiau hemi start long first generation ikam kasem Komie Ringiau.
8. From we Ship(nego) iputum tufala mo ancrem tufala long Histri, Basket mo Tupunas hemi exist ikam kasem today.
9. Chief Ringiau mo Iaukalpi, tufala iwan nomo follem histri blong tufala.
10. Long custom blong yumi long Tanna, wan(1) Chief ikat right blong ownem wan (1) ship nomo.
11. Toka hemi wan Supreme custom ceremony we olgeta custom road oli sitdaon blong appointem man wetem responsibility blong hem.
12. Kot ifinem out se family tree blong original claimant hemi no komplit.
13. Kot hemi kat doubt se Ringiau we hemi born out long Iaukalpie mo Hutasgem hemi no stret pikikni blong Iaukalpie.

Folem olgeta findings ia mo law we hemi stap mo kastom rule we hemi stap long Tanna we kot italem out antap, taem kot hemi applaem laws mo kastom rules ia, kot hemi mekem declaration ia.



DECLARATION

Kot ia hemi declarem defendant, Chief Ringiau Komi olsem rightful custom owner long name ia Ringau mo Chiefly Title we oli callem IENI NIGO follem ol descendants blong hem kam kasem today we ship blong hem hemi Numrukwen. Nakamal blong hem hemi Ianemakel.

Afta long declaration ia kot hemi mekem oda ia: -

1. Tufala parties mo ol relatives imas mekem wan reconciliation kastom ceremony blong reunitem mo restorem back pis mo harmony bitwin ol family insaed long komuniti long Ianemakel folem kastom.
2. Wanwan patis imitim own cost blong hem.

Tufala patis ikat 30 days blong apil againsem decision ia.

Dated long Isangel, 19th July 2013.

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Justice William Lomai

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Justice Moses Nemaïen

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Justice Jipalo

