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thought that this would interest you. John

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Action update/ stand for your Nation

The more information that we receive about the Reconciliation hearing slated for the 11th of December in Honolulu, the more we need to make it perfectly clear that we do not and shall not be suppressed nor dictated too when it come to our nation.

It is not suppressing that the hearing are confined to only Oahu and that speakers are limited to only three min., thus allowing only 15 people per hour to speak. That is of course if you submit written testimony by today's deadline.

How is it that so little information and time is allowed for this process...? Did not the state of Hawaii, OHA, Hawaiian homes, Papa Lokahi and the rest of the agencies that concern themselves with representing the Hawaiian have previous information about these hearings? of course they did....months ago. that is why they are prepared and we are not.

The object of this exercise is to give the general public the thought that the mighty U.S. government is coming to address the needs of the Hawaiian people. they say it is for the process of reconciliation.... reconciliation means that we are in the process of forgiveness.... for 106 years of exploitation, suppression, degradation, humiliation, repression ... all to improve the environment for those on vacation.

It is without question that those whom claim to represent the Hawaiian interest, not to mention the receivers of those funds...that are supposed to reach you, will take top billing.. the plan is to insure that any funds destined for the Hawaiian will end up in some government agency under the control of the State. Is it the state who has suffered all these years...? or is it the Hawaiian people..!!!!!!!

This is why we have chosen to take action, as a stand for our Nation.

Several weeks ago I posted ( on several list ) what we on the big Island are doing to get onboard the round table during these hearings. Of course we understand that there is little chance..... So as a counterpoint we have chosen to do something culturally correct that may send a signal to all .. that we as Hawaiians don't agree that reconciliation is the proper term to

use at this stage of the game.

Perhaps what is truly necessary is the total restoration of the Hawaiian Kingdom, including the funding necessary to extensively educate the Hawaiian people and their supporters about the Kingdom and the Hawaiian Kingdom ) Status Laws, in an effort to prepare them to repatriate themselves to their own Nationality.

Restitution, the act of restoring to the rightful owner, that which was illegally taken. This would entail the return of the Ceded Lands as well as title to all the other lands that belonged to the Kingdom and its subjects prior to the ill fated day in 1893. This would also mean the return of the Hawaiian Judicial System

This of course is only my opinion, there are many more. However we as Hawaiians may differ, there is something that all agree on. We all love our culture and are compelled by our ancestors to protect and perpetuate it for the generations to come.

#### Makahiki update: Action plan

The Makahiki that was planned for Mauna Kea has been changed. It is going to be held at the Kamehameha Statue in Hilo. The reason for the change is so many more can participate. The Hookupu presented will then be taken to Mauna Kea and placed on the Lele on the Summit of the Mountain. The date is Saturday December 11th. Time is 10:00 am. Of course those who are traditional practitioners or those interested are welcomed to come early for the Hiuwai and the sunrise ceremony.

The Royal Order of Kamehameha, established by Kamehameha V, will also be participating. December the 11th is his birthday. They are expected to make claim of jurisdiction for Mauna Kea. They also made this presentation to the Board of Regents ( U of H ) regarding the draft plan to develop Mauna Kea.

Strategy / Action speaks louder than words /Stand for your Nation

No amount of words could convey better than the illustration of a peoples action. You and I both know that this reconciliation hearing will receive a good deal of news coverage. The idea is to illustrate your commitment to the Hawaiian Nation and our own culture and traditions. That we, the Kanaka Maoli, reserve our right to our own Nation if that is our choosing.

This Makahiki is indeed culturally correct. It is the time of Lono. A time when war is strictly forbidden, a time for the honoring of the Honua, the giving of thanks for the bounty of the aina, a time for nurturing for the future.

All are welcomed... we would like very much to have the various groups from all of the islands be here. We call upon representatives of the different sovereignty groups, civic clubs, government agencies, schools, hula halau, canoe clubs, etc., represent themselves as a show of Lokahi. Bring your banners, send a contingent.

Lets work hard in this short period to get the word out... lets redirect the spotlight and focus on our Nation.

If you have any questions, or need to contact someone, or have suggestions, please feel free to contact me at : 808 985-9051 or you may e-mail me at hawaiwar@gte.net.

Aloha, A hui

hou, Malama Pono

