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The Private Secretary to
Her Majesty The Queen
Buckingham Palace
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Dear Sir,

I am writing to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth today with respect to Te Ui Ariki Ngateitei o te Kuki Airani (The hereditary Kings and Queens of the Cook Islands) and their request that I act on their behalf as an 'ambassador plenipotentiary' to The Queen to communicate their wishes to The Queen and her government.

I appreciate that this is an unusual request for a British citizen to put before The Queen, as a British subject is not usually allowed to represent a 'foreign state' in the role of ambassador. However, I would like to humbly draw the Queens attention to the following mitigating circumstances such as, currently Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second is claiming sovereignty over the Cook Island Group and therefore the Cook Islands, at present, do not constitute a 'foreign state' in the true sense.

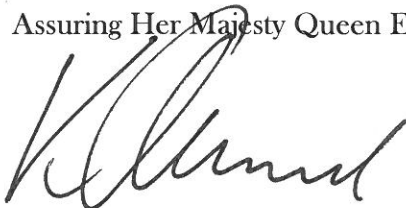
I would also like to point out that there *have* been certain instances in the past where a subject of The Queen has acted on behalf of another state, such as in 1714 when Sir Patrick Lawless was Spanish envoy in London, and General Wall from 1748 to 1762; both were Irishmen by birth. There is also the case of Benjamin Thompson, born in the United States, who entered the service of the Elector of Bavaria, by whom he was appointed as minister to Great Britain in 1798.

The second, and probably more pertinent circumstance in this instance, especially for the Ariki, is that they do not know of any native Cook Islanders currently residing in the United Kingdom that they can call upon to fulfil this role effectively and to their satisfaction.

Therefore, in keeping with protocol, I humbly ask Her Majesty's permission to act on behalf of Te Ui Ariki Ngateitei o te Kuki Airani as their representative to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second as their ambassador plenipotentiary to the UK.

To ease the burden on The Queens busy schedule and so as not to trouble The Queen unnecessarily, I shall assume that if I hear nothing to the contrary by 28th day of February 2015, that my request has been accepted and I shall throw myself into the role as Ambassador Plenipotentiary to Te Ui Ariki Ngateitei o te Kuki Airani to the United Kingdom and fulfil that role to the very best of my ability.

Assuring Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth of my highest consideration at all times.



Kevin Anthony Allmond