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Aloha Mr. Chair and Members of the Human Rights Council,

In 2006, human rights groups from Hawaii submitted *The Special Situation of Hawaii - A Shadow Report to the Human Rights Committee on The Violation of Human Rights of Native Hawaiians in the Hawaiian Archipelago*. This shadow report enumerates violations committed by the United States of America against the Hawaiian people ever since the unprovoked and unjustified invasion of the Hawaiian Islands by the USA in 1893.

Some of the human rights violations include: the confiscation of native Hawaiian lands and eviction and displacement of its inhabitants; the desecration of burials and sacred sites; the consignment of native Hawaiians to poverty by the imposition of an adverse foreign economic system; the destruction of the culture; the suppression of the Hawaiian people's national identity; ... all of which constitute the systematic, orchestrated denial of the right to self determination. Much of this occurred under the 65-year watch of the United Nations, perpetrated by its most favored member, the United States of America.

Of particular concern to the Human Rights Council should be the violation of Article 73 of the United Nations Charter and the denial of the right to self-determination by the fraudulent imposition of a foreign (U.S.) government on the people of Hawaii. In 1959, Alaska and Hawai'i were absorbed by the United States in what were clearly deceptive, deliberate violations of UN mandates and procedures for self-determination. The U.S. falsified its report to the U.N., which led to General Assembly Resolution 1469 removing Hawaii and Alaska from the list of non-self-governing territories. Conditions have seriously worsened over the past 6 years since *The Special Situation of Hawaii* shadow report was filed. These issues have yet to be addressed by a competent body of the U.N.

Alaska and Hawaii are examples of the how the United States flagrantly manipulated and subverted the UN de-colonization process by unilaterally integrating Alaska and Hawaii into the US, as domestics "states."

Even though seriously impaired by over 100 years of US aggression, illegal occupation and false representations, in 1994, we the people of Hawaii, formally asserted our sovereignty and our identity as Hawaiian Kingdom Nationals, and under international laws, exercised our authority and right (as a body politic) to reclaim our country as a nation in continuity and began the process of reinstating our rightful government under the still existing constitution and laws of the Hawaiian Kingdom.

The people of Alaska and Hawaii urgently appeal to the Human Rights Council to dispatch to our areas, at the earliest opportunity, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, Margaret Sekaggya, to examine and respond to the situation of the human rights violations in Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands, in order to promote and protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of our people.

Mahalo a nui loa,

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