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International Committee for the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas

Human Rights Council 16<sup>th</sup> Session  
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Re: Intervention regarding Item 3

Aloha Members of the Human Rights Council,

In 2006, several 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 since the 1893 unprovoked and unjustified invasion of the Hawaiian Islands by the USA.

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 (US) government on the people of Hawaii. In 1959, Alaska and Hawai'i were absorbed by the United States in what appears to be deceptive and deliberate violations of UN mandates and processes for self-determination. The US falsified its report to the UN and that led to the removal of Hawaii and Alaska from the list of non-self-governing territories under GA Resolution 1469. Conditions have seriously worsened over the past 6 years since the *The Special Situation of Hawaii* shadow report was filed. These issues have yet to be addressed by a competent body of the U.N.

The people of Hawaii urgently appeal to the Human Rights Council to dispatch to Hawaii 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 the Hawaiian Islands, in order to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms of our people.

Mahalo a nui loa,

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