

RAPA NUI PARLIAMENT

Item 5: United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous peoples

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RAPA NUI PARLIAMENT, in Geneva

Thank you Chairman

On behalf of The Rapa Nui Parliament, I would like to express our gratitude to the initiative of the 15th session of the Human Rights Council, for calling upon States Government, in regard to the implementation of the Declaration on the right of Indigenous Peoples, and for the given opportunity to us the Sovereign people, not only to address our grievance, furthermore, it is to seek and search for justice.

The endless effort of indigenous peoples, for their dignity and justice, finds great impediment, in Colonization and dispossession of their ancestral lands, territories and resources, subjugated and oppress, with injustice laws and policies.

In spite of International effort and accomplishment to adopt valuable and several International law, Human Rights Declarations and Covenants, in which Indigenous peoples rights has been enshrined, however, the reality of the great majority of Indigenous peoples, continue to be discriminated and deprived from their inalienable and fundamental rights, such as the situation of Rapa Nui, best known as Ester Island, under the occupation of the State Government of Chile.

Any Territorial Sovereignty subjected to foreign domination, not only violate the principle of self determination, and freedom, this act inevitable conclude in extermination of people, culture, and traditions.

The Supreme and Fundamental Rights to Self Determination, is a principle and imperative action, which constitute one of the pillars of International order, based on the rule of law, found on the 1960 U.N. General Assembly, Resolution 1514/ 1541, and several International Covenants on Human Rights, and specially the United Nation Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous people;

However, it takes more than the best of our abilities to address critical issues and make recommendations.

Successful implementation of the UNDRIP will only take place when State Government, incorporate the UNDRIP in to National HR policies and legislations;

And under article 42, State Government is capable to make commitment and partnership with indigenous peoples, based upon specific plan of action and permanent consultation, and monitor by National H.R. Institution.

Once again the Chilean Government, committed brutality on Rapa Nui People; in their peaceful effort for their property restitution, on last December the 3rd, 2010 several Family have been victim of atrocity, guns shooting and violent act of Human Rights violations;

On December the 29th 2010, The Rapa Nui Parliament were brutally removed from Plaza King Riro, on their peaceful protest for Historical and Ancestral Lands claims; As well as the urgent matter of migration control; and self-determination; the Police Special Armed force, abiding superior order, were, attacking and beating the armless Rapa Nui people, even women with children, this criminal actions are not acceptable.

Nowadays there are presence of intimidations from the Chilean Police armed force, as initiative of Militarization by increasing the numbers of police armed special force in Rapa Nui, which damage significantly the peaceful Environment in which our children are accustom to.

We are facing diverse threat, and impositions of foreign laws, new policies and regulations which destroy our inalienable right to self-determination.

We have lost hope and trust in Chile, We are very tired of the Chilean inconsistency, false promises, and most importantly, tired of seeing, their systematic discrimination and political corruptions, even worst, to witness, how they destroy our Culture, Language, and have no respect for our traditions and Institutions.

Our overwhelming disappointment, became inevitable in regard to the special Statute for Autonomy for Rapa Nui, designed by the Chilean Governments officials, imposing foreign laws, obviously great disagreement have risen in Rapa Nui, due to this arrogant approach of the Current Chilean Government and officials, neglecting the inherent rights to Self- determination, and the intellectual, social, and political capability of the Rapa Nui people, to freely determine their future.

Chile is being unethical to the international Law and all the principles of justice and fundamental freedom of the indigenous people, untruthful and official statement were addressed to the Permanent Forum for Indigenous Issues, in regard to Rapa Nui, back in May 2011. The same statement were given to the Human Rights Inter American Court, to avoid the precautionary measure, granted later to the Rapa Nui People, back in January to justify the disproportional, brutal and illegal evictions, to my people

In my Capacity as Human Rights officer, from the Rapa Nui Parliament, abiding to my mandate, on behalf of the Rapa Nui Parliament, I have the task to make a call upon the invested authority on Human Rights, and expert U.N. agencies for diligent effort to urgently engage the Chilean State Government: for mediation.

1- for Self Determination and recognition of the Rapa Nui Kingdom

2 – for urgent Demilitarization.

3 – for the recognition of the Rapa Nui Constitution.

4 – For releasing process of all the Rapa Nui Ancestral Lands to the people.

5 - The Rapa Nui Parliament, encourage Mediation and official

Dialogue, as effective mechanism to overcome indigenous peoples

Struggle, and start the process of implementation.

In my capacity, I advocate for cultural survival, for the recognition of the Rapa Nui Kingdom, and Government, as well as the restitution of Ancestral Land, Resources, and Territory Integrity to the people, as it is encouraged by the UNDRIP for the protection of IP.

Thank you.

Truly yours,

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Mr. Anaya, I will look forward to work with you