

**TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP**  
**BETWEEN THE CONFEDERATION OF SOVEREIGN CHIEFS,**  
**REPRESENTED BY ITS MAORI GOVERNMENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS**  
**AND**  
**THE ECUMENICAL HOSPITALLER ORDER OF ST. JOHN**  
**KNIGHTS OF MALTA**

Preamble:

The Confederation of Sovereign Chiefs, represented by its Maori Government Foreign Affairs Minister and the Ecumenical Order of Malta assembled at its Government Office in Roma this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008;

Hereby affirm their relations as Sovereign Nations, founded upon respect for fundamental human rights and the laws of God, in all their relations in dealing with each other, including other Nations of the World;

Recognizing that friendship, respect and a mutual endeavor to obtain for their peoples fuller opportunities for spiritual, social, economic and international progress, have established a special intimate relationship between them;

And desiring to maintain and strengthen the bonds of amity and goodwill, which have hitherto existed between them and to provide for continued co-operation;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Establish diplomatic relations between the two Sovereign Nations and such relations to be governed by the spirit of close friendship and the Vienna Convention.

ARTICLE II

Were appropriate the two Sovereign Nations shall consult each other on matters of mutual interests and concerns.

### ARTICLE III

Each Sovereign Nation shall ensure that citizens of the other, living within its territories are, in accordance with the normal practice between friendly states, given equitable treatment and full protection and access to the Courts.

### ARTICLE IV

The two Sovereigns shall continue to work together to promote the welfare of their peoples. In particular, the Sovereigns will consider sympathetic requests from each other for technical, administrative and other assistance.

### ARTICLE V

The Sovereigns shall, for as long as the Sovereigns wish and in a manner as will in no way impair the right of each Sovereign respectively, formulate their own foreign policies, afford assistance to each other, in the conduct of their international relations. In particular, the Sovereigns will where appropriate and permissible;

- (a) act as the channel of communications between each other and international organizations;
- (b) undertake the representation of each other, at any international conference, at which each Sovereign is entitled to be represented.
- (c) supply each other with information concerning international affairs;
- (d) undertake and grant diplomatic protection of each others' diplomats and perform Consular functions on their behalf, when requested;
- (e) undertake to protect each others' Nation, from all attempts upon their independence.

### ARTICLE VI

This Friendship Treaty may be amended at any time upon written agreement of each Nation.

Either Sovereign may at any time, give to the other notice of its desire to terminate this Agreement. In such case, this Agreement shall terminate upon the expiration of three months from the date on which notice has been received.

ARTICLE VII

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature below.

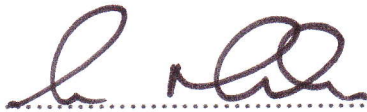
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the representatives of each Sovereign Nation, duly authorized for the purpose herein, have signed this Agreement.

Signed in the presence of God, at Government Office of the Ecumenical Order of Malta, on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008 in three originals, both in a common language of both Sovereign Nations, being the English language.

Each of the below Sovereign signatures, witnessed each other respectively.


For the Sovereign Nation of Nu Tirene

For the Ecumenical Order Of Malta




H.E. ARIKI ERU MANUKAU  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

H.S.H. PRINCE PETROS IOSSIF  
SOVEREIGN GRAND MASTER



Witnessed:

..ing.. GIOVANNI NICOLETTI..  


..MICHELLE JOSEPH

