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New Zealand Productivity Commission
PO BOX 8036
The Terrace
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Submission to NZ Productivity Commission.

This submission is from Fred Allen, being an elected trustee of the Te Upoko o Te Ika Rohe within the Te Kahui Rongoa Trust.

The Trust is the national organisation representing Rongoa Maori.

Kiwi herbs Ltd is registered as an interested organisation with the Trust.

I/We am of the opinion; the C.E.R Framework does not currently incorporate much of the thinking and direction of contemporary Rongoa Maori interests.

The C.E.R framework is a breach of the Tiriti if any trading agreement with Australia does not reflect the Tiriti o Waitangi.

C.E.R Maori discussions would include:

- ◆ Protocols of working together with Rongoa Maori interests
- ◆ Traditional knowledge protection (TK).
- ◆ Rongoa Maori and medicine.
- ◆ Rongoa Maori food sovereignty.
- ◆ Rongoa Maori business development mechanisms.

Rongoa Maori Proprietary interests in natural resources are still to be heard by the Waitangi Tribunal through the contemporary generic claim process.

I/We wish to make further submissions on the C.E.R framework.

We are receptive to understanding the C.E.R processes in the above specific areas of interest.

I look forward to your reply and future engagement.

Yours Faithfully

Fred Allen
Managing Director of Kiwi Herbs Limited

