

On 19/04/2023, at 3:09 PM, Stop Co Governance

<stopcogovernance@gmail.com@replies.sendingservice.net> wrote:

You have received an email from your website:

Name: Mikaela Terēhia Mātenga

Email: mikaelamatengasp@gmail.com

Phone: 0273093894

Message: You will not silence me. You will not silence us.

Your attempt to cast shame on me for my actions, which I stand by completely and can own, will not work.

Say my name, remember it. Remember my face. You will see me again.

I will not allow you to spread your racist, vile and inaccurate narrative. This narrative has existed for far too long, and has poisoned the minds of Tangata Tiriti. As a country, we have the ability to live harmoniously side by side, respecting and embracing Te Ao Māori, Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Te Ao Pākehā. Your efforts are completely against that.

It is a huge claim to make that I do not have any knowledge of the treaty. As a social work student, I have studied it for 4 years. This is my mahi, I am more than knowledgeable. Unlike you - the evangelical right wing real estate agent that all of a sudden wants his ego to be inflated by going into politics.

Aotearoa New Zealand is rising up. The truth is coming out. The wrongs are being righted. If you want to be a part of an amazing future for all our tamariki, rangatahi and Tangata, jump on the Waka. But with this narrative, you will be left behind. Māori want to make decisions for Māori, as for too long we have had decisions made for us that have resulted on us being on the backfoot - this is all well recorded in literature, not just by Māori, but Pākehā academics - King and Belgrave being two. We will never

overstep the line and make decisions for your people, as that is exactly what the Crown did to us.

I WILL NOT BE SILENCED. SEE YOU AGAIN.

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Julian replied to Mikaela one day later  
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From: "Julian Batchelor M.Ed (Hons) B.Th Dip T'ching"

<stopcogovernance@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: New Message From Stop Co Governance

Date: 21 April 2023 at 7:50:00 AM NZST

To: Mikaela Terēhia Mātenga <mikaelamatengasp@gmail.com>

Hi Mikaela,

Thank you for writing in. I read your email with interest.

First, please provide some examples of anything I have said which is 'inaccurate'.

Second, please provide examples of anything I have said which is 'racist'

Third, please share with me your knowledge of the Treaty, which you say you have studied for 4 years. That's a long time to study this important document. I am keen to know what you think it says, after all that study.

Fourth, how do you reconcile coming into our meeting at Orewa, ripping up my books, my personal property, and trashing our meeting, acting appallingly, disrespectfully, denying the people who had come to listen their right to hear, with what you say in your email i.e. "As a country, we have the ability to live harmoniously side by side, respecting and

embracing Te Ao Māori”.

That is to say, how, exactly, were your actions in Orewa demonstrating ‘working harmoniously side by side’?

If Te Ao Maori is about stopping free speech, disrespecting people who don't agree with you, trampling all over the rights of others, and destroying the personal property of others, then why would we, for one second, think of ‘embracing Te Ao Maori’?

Maybe I have missed something. Please can you explain.

Have you heard of Sir Apirana Ngata, New Zealand's greatest Maori MP. What do you think of him?

I am keen to know your thoughts on him as well.

He is very important to us and deeply respected by our team.

You can read his book about the Treaty and what he had to say about it [HERE](#)

It's a great read. He was as Maori as you could get, and loved Maori as much as anyone ever has, but he spoke the truth to Maori about the Treaty and how Maori should view the Treaty. As far as I am aware, he even knew some of the chiefs who signed the Treaty.

What I would like you to realise Mikaela is that we are actually fighting for Maori, not against them.

We are fighting for all New Zealanders against apartheid, racism, racial division, and separatism.

We are fighting for the preservation of democracy and equal rights for all.

I would encourage you to read up about what democracy is, and why it's the best / fairest form of government for everyone.

I don't have any hate for you Mikaela, only Christian love. Truly.

The only time I say your name now, and see your face, is in my prayers, so I don't harbour a grudge against you. So no, I won't forget you. Promise.

I have already forgiven you for what you did at our Orewa. Other people have paid for a reprint of the books you ripped up.

Just don't do it again.

Until next time, all the best

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julian". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial 'J' and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Julian

