

**From:** John **Subject:** Very good - again

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Hi Julian,

I have just watched yr interview with Sean Plunket - excellent. Re police collusion with the iwi/protesters - hardly surprising since the cops are now in so many "partnerships" with local iwi. They are meeting all the time on various matters and it is not surprising that they develop trusted friendships - esp. maybe among part-Maori cops.

During the Covid lockdown certain tribes in Northland, Taranaki and the East Coast set up roadblocks to stop cars proceeding into their "rohe" (tribal territory) - as if there has never been a NZ nation. They only did it to throw their weight around on the rest of us. They were acting as vigilantes - the thing that the police are always speaking against (so long as they are not Maori vigilantes). If a group of shopkeepers form a group of vigilantes to protect their shop windows from vandals, the cops strongly oppose it as it shows them (the cops) up for not doing their job. But, if they are Maori vigilantes, the cops keep quiet.

On a single day - 25 March, 2020 - a group of these illegal iwi vigilantes stopped 179 vehicles at Hicks Bay, East Coast, from proceeding - some of them people wanting to check on their baches. The cops condoned these crimes under s. 21 and 22 of the Summary Offences Act 1961 with deputy police commissioner, Wally Haumaha (Maori) saying that the police would not do anything about these illegal road blocks (Newshub, 17 April, 2020)

Ardern actually legalised this intimidating behaviour of iwi by rushing through Parliament without any Select Committee process the Public Health Response Act 2021 which allows an "iwi representative" to close roads and public places and stop vehicles at checkpoints in collaboration with the police. So, the police were working in "partnership" with thuggish tribal reps to stop vehicles, thus establishing a relationship with them (standing on the road together all day) The police are meant to represent all of society (the public) but when they team up with a certain section of that society (iwi) they cannot be trusted to enforce the law impartially. With this sort of relationship would they arrest an "iwi representative" or his family at a protest?

There are so many of these "partnerships" between cops and iwi (one section only of society) that I wouldn't be surprised if they are tipping off the protesters. As you said, they are also far more reluctant to arrest a Maori protester than a white one. I noticed this at yr first Kapiti meeting where they were fine arresting the white protesters but let a maori woman keep shouting for a very long time before they arrested her.

Just my thoughts,  
John

