

## **Te Runanga-a-Iwi o Ngati Kahu**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **SELWYN CLARK'S PENSION RESTORED - TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2016**

Te Runanga-a-Iwi o Ngati Kahu are very happy that Selwyn's Pension has been restored and the warrant for his arrest has been dropped. But they are disappointed that his Pension has not been back paid and WINZ have not yet provided any paperwork. They say the issue is still alive with respect to the back pay and the paperwork and that Selwyn's agent is now working to get the paperwork and back pay from WINZ.

In the meantime Selwyn has asked that donations to the charitable account set up last month for his support now stop. He says he is deeply grateful to all who supported him with cash and kind, but now that his pension is reinstated he no longer has to rely on their kindness to survive.

Te Runanga-a-Iwi o Ngati Kahu say that while these outcomes are only a partial victory, they represent a significant shift and are a good result of the united efforts of whanau, hapu, iwi and community over the mean-spirited and punitive practices of an elderly veteran.

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SELWYN AT THE CONSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATION HUI HELD IN APRIL 2015 AT KAREPONIA MARAE, AWANUI