

**UNDER THE**

Inquiries Act 2013

**IN THE MATTER**

of The Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and in the Care of Faith-based Institutions

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**APPLICATION FILED ON BEHALF OF  
THE BISHOPS AND CONGREGATIONAL LEADERS OF THE  
CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND FOR:**

**LEAVE TO APPEAR AT 19 AUGUST 2019 PROCEDURAL HEARING**

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**Date: 25 July 2019**

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1. This application is filed on behalf of the Bishops and Congregational Leaders of the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand, seeking leave to appear at the 19 August 2019 Procedural Hearing of the Royal Commission.
2. The Bishops and Congregational Leaders of the Catholic Church in New Zealand will be represented in the Royal Commission through Te Rōpū Tautoko (**Tautoko**), a group created, by them, for this purpose.

**Application for leave to appear at Procedural hearing**

3. Counsel notes that Minute 1 of the Royal Commission indicates, at paragraph 12, that any person may attend the Procedural Hearing.
4. To assist the Royal Commission with its planning for this hearing, formal applications for leave to appear are made for:
  - (a) Counsel for Tautoko to appear, if required, before the Royal Commission, to speak to the Procedural Memoranda filed with this Application and answer any questions arising.
  - (b) Cardinal John Dew and Sr Katrina Fabish to speak to the Catholic Bishops and Congregational Leaders Letter of Support for the Royal Commission, filed with this Application.

Date: 25 July 2019



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