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“Bishop Tamaki strikes back at Labour”

Today Bishop Tamaki said, the Labour Party through Finance Minister Grant Robertson are trying to demonize the Man Up Movement. This is taking place at the same time whilst our immigration settings are being converted to allow up to 2,000 Muslim migrants to move to Christchurch following the March 15 Mosque shootings.

Where does the Labour Party get its mandate from to make such an unprecedented immigration change.

Who did they consult and why can they unilaterally make this change on compassionate grounds whilst denying Man Up the ability to minister to Indigenous prisoners in our penal system?

Our mission is based around the Bible traceable back to Samuel Marsden and the Ngāpuhi in 1814. The Ngāpuhi ancestors invited the missionaries and the Bible, not Muhammad and the Quran.

I am not going to remain silent while the Labour Party favor the Muslim faith over the plight of Indigenous prisoners in our penal system that discriminates and is inherently racist toward Māori.

I want the Prime Minister to state in Parliament today, how far has she converted our immigration settings to facilitate the arrival of more Muslim migrants to New Zealand at a time when our prisons are swelling with Indigenous men and women. Why is she showing selective compassion to these victims but ignoring the multigenerational plight of Indigenous prisoners which the Man Up Movement seeks to address.

Mr Tamaki said “The Labour Party has sought to put me through a lemon squeezer mistakenly thinking that I am an irrelevant pip.”

My message to the Prime Minister is that the atrocities in Sri Lanka, and other barren locations show that the Muslim movement are capable of incredible cruelty. We should not hide this ugly fact under religious scarf wearing.

Kiwis need to be reminded the Labour Party campaigned on eradicating poverty, and solving homelessness, two issues that disproportionately affect Indigenous New Zealanders.

Why are you showing charity to those people, yet you are unwilling to show that same charity to Māori organisations like the Man Up Movement.

Mr Tamaki asks “Prime Minister, Is it true the immigration settings have been converted enabling up to 2000 new Muslim migrants relocation to Christchurch. In doing so opening the immigration flood gate to New Zealand by utilising the March 15 Mosque shootings. If that figure is incorrect then what is the correct figure and where did the Labour Party seek their mandate from?”

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