

Native Hawaiian Coalition

March 4, 2006

Aloha to All Native Hawaiian Coalition Participants,

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has made a decision to fund only the meeting of the Native Hawaiian Coalition on Saturday, March 18th, 2006. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs will cover only Saturday's expenses as follows:

1. Airfare for those parties who have previously been funded.
2. Transportation by bus to and from the meeting facility,
3. The conference room and catering.

The HAWAII IMIN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER, KEONI ROOM has been secured for both Friday March 17th and Saturday, March 18th and the meeting will go as voted by the body at the meeting of February 4th, 2006.

Due to these circumstances, those traveling to Oahu will have to arrange for their own housing for Friday, March 17th. Limited housing is available for conference attendees on the University Campus and will be on a first come first serve basis. You may contact the East-West Center Housing Office at 808 944-7805, fax 808 944-7790 or e-mail housing@eastwestcenter.org. The rates are \$26.00 for a single room and \$35.00 for a double room. Please plan to bring your own towels and toiletries, as they are not available in the rooms but available at the front desk for a fee. Check in time is at 2:00 p.m. and check out by 10:00 a.m. This is the most affordable option we have found thus far. You may make arrangements at another facility of your choice.

Transportation from the airport on Friday, March 17th may be arranged for those who have no transportation. Because a volunteer team would be providing this service, it is important to confirm your arrival times and airlines with us by March 12, 2006. If you need transportation, please contact Mr. Rodney Kawelo at either 808 386-7674 (cell), 808 259-8896, or e-mail – rkawelo@yahoo.com.

All Oahu Moku Representatives and participants if you are able to assist and provide transportation to those coming to Oahu on Friday, March 17th, please call Mr. Kawelo to let him know how many and at what time you are available to assist us with transportation.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may be causing. I hope that all that can, will assist in the effort to help our off island participants get to the meeting and promote maximum participation in spite of this adversity. Let us persevere and work together.

Aloha Kau`i,
Chair Pro Tempore