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IN THE TRADITIONAL RIGHTS COURT  
OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

<p>JACK JORBON,  Plaintiff,  vs.  DIAL AKIRA,  Defendant.</p>	<p>CIVIL ACTION NO: 2020-00329    ANSWER TO ADDITIONAL QUESTION</p>
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MEMBERS OF THE PANEL:

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PARTIES' CONTENTIONS:

The question as appeared in the High Court Order of May 12, 2022 with respect to the additional question to the Traditional Rights Court is as follows:

1. Further to the TRC'S answer to the Additional Question referred April 27, 2022, is Iroijedrik Kelai Nemna's authorization of Dial Akira to build a house on Arkan Weto, Rairok Island, Majuro Atoll, Marshall Islands, valid under Marshallese custom without notice to and consent by Alap and Senior Dri Jerbal Jack Jorbon, who opposes the authorization? Answer yes or no and say why.

**Answer to the Question** – Yes, according to Marshallese custom, the authorization by Iroijedrik Kelai Nemna was valid at the time he made it as he did not recognize Jack Jorbon as his alap. At this time where this court has found that Arkan Weto was *katlep* to Jack Jorbon, Iroijedrik Kelai Nemna is now obliged to recognize Jack Jorbon as an Alap and Senior Dri Jerbal on Arkan Weto.

Date: May 12, 2022.

/s/

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Presiding Judge, TRC

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