

31 May 1999

Hon. Max Bradford
Minister of Enterprise and Commerce
Parliament Buildings
Wellington
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Dear Mr Bradford

In a letter from you to Hon. Richard Prebble you may recollect stating that, I quote **“it is likely Mr Landaus made his discoveries illegally.”**

With all due respect, I now think it is time you apologised to Hon. Mr Prebble and myself for this most ill informed and defamatory statement.

Given the fact that you have probably used your parliamentary privilege in writing this statement, I also ask that you do so during a parliamentary sitting as I have no doubt that this information was passed on to many of your colleagues.

If you had bothered to check my credentials and the history of my mining and related licenses, you would have noticed I previously held a Prospectors Right under the Mining Act 1971 when I originally made most of my discoveries. This allowed me to prospect Crown owned minerals on Crown land open for mining.

You must also be aware that in the history of mining the majority of mining privilege applications are not preceded by prospecting or exploration applications, but directly for mining licenses. This tells you a story in itself. Furthermore I could give you many instances where persons have made major discoveries while exercising their right to access Crown Land for whatever purpose. A typical related example is the discovery of the present historical greenstone reserve in a tributary of the Dart River. Which I could have well discovered before Mr Trevor?

I respectfully await your reply.

Cc's: Richard Prebble MP
Damien O'Connor MP

Yours sincerely

Kenn J Landaus