

*Great South Lands of the Holy Spirit*

“Let the heavens, the earth, the waters with all their creatures and all those here present, witness that I, Captain Pedro Fernandez de Quiros... in the name of Jesus Christ... hoist this emblem of the Holy Cross on which His (Jesus Christ’s) person was crucified and whereon He gave His life for the ransom and remedy of all the human race... On this day of Pentecost, 14 May 1606... I, take possession of all this part of the South as far as the pole in the name of Jesus... which from now on shall be called the Southern land of the Holy Ghost ...and this always and forever... and to the end that to all natives, in all the said lands, the holy and sacred evangel may be preached zealously and openly.”