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Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua Trust
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Tēnā koe

Thank you for submitting the Deed of Mandate for the Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua Trust (**the Trust**) to negotiate a comprehensive settlement of all Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua historical Treaty claims.

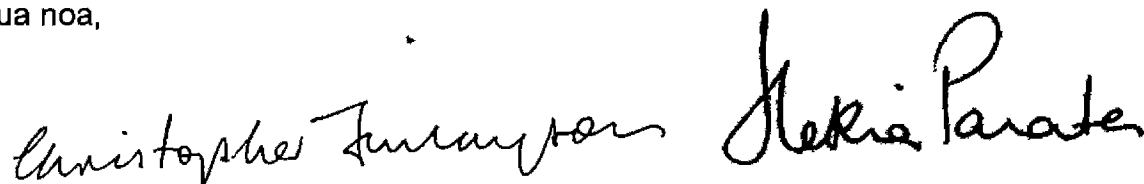
We have concluded that the Trust has the support of Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua and is appropriately accountable to the claimant community. As you are aware, there are a number of claimant definition matters to be worked through before Terms of Negotiations are finalised:

- the claimant definition must be drafted so that key ancestor(s) are identified as the foundation of the definition;
- A number of hapū included in your claimant definition are also included in the claimant definitions of other large natural groups. Trustees should agree the approach to these hapū with the Crown following discussions with the relevant groups; and
- The Trustees have agreed to include the following contemporary hapū in the claimant definition of the Terms: Ngai Rangiwhakairi, Te Uma Whanui, Ngāti Te Tomo, Ngai Taneroroa, Ngāti Tatuki, Ngāti Tupai and Ngāti te Rangiwhakaoma.

We are, therefore, pleased to recognise the mandate of the Trust to represent Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua in Treaty negotiations for the settlement of all the historical Treaty claims of Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua on the condition that the claimant definition matters are addressed to the satisfaction of the Crown prior to signing Terms of Negotiation.

We acknowledge the many years of hard work that have gone into reaching this stage and we congratulate you on achieving this milestone. We look forward to our negotiations with you.

Nā māua noa,

Handwritten signatures of Christopher Finlayson and Hekia Parata. Christopher Finlayson's signature is on the left, and Hekia Parata's signature is on the right.

Hon Christopher Finlayson
Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

Hon Hekia Parata
**Minister Delegated
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