



TE HAEATA

30 OCTOBER 2008

SETTLING NGATI POROU HISTORICAL TREATY CLAIMS

TENA KOUTOU KATOA

E Hika ma, tena koutou i o tatau finī aitua e whakangaro atu nei i te kitehanga kanohi.

E nga mate, haere! Haere! Haere!

Ko tatau o ratau roimata ki muri nei, kei te mihi atu, kei te tangi atu hoki ki a koutou, otiā kia tatau katoa. Ko te tumanako, ka tutuki i a tatau nga take me nga kaupapa hei kawē i te iwi whanui ki nga taumata tiketike kia puawai ai nga hua mo katoa, a, mo nga uri whakatipu hoki.

Kanui te kaha o te roopu e kiia nei ko Te Haeata ki te kokiri ki te Karauna mo nga mana huhua o nga whanau, hapu o Ngāti Porou, i raupatutia nei e nga Ture a Te Kawana mai i nga tau kei muri tae mai hoki ki wenei wa. Na reira kei te mihi ki a ratau mo nga take me nga kaupapa kua u ki uta, a, kei te inoi atu hoki ki te iwi ki a tautoko mai i nga kawenga kua pikauria nei e Te Haeata, kia taea ai te whakamana, me te whakatinana i nga tino rangātiratanga i heke iho mai i o tatau matua tipuna.

Settlement Progress

Te Haeata, the representative sub-committee of Ngati Porou, has been negotiating with the Crown to develop an offer for the settlement of our historical claims against the Crown for breaches of the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles. Once completed, the Crown's Offer will be put to Ngati Porou to decide if the offer should be accepted.

We have made very good progress towards this objective but we will not be able to complete negotiations before the election on November 8.

For that reason, we have decided to register our progress towards a settlement in the form of a high level agreement with the Minister in Charge of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations, Hon Dr Michael Cullen.

Both Te Haeata and the Crown accept that what we have achieved so far is not the final agreement that will settle our historical claims. It is a record of our progress in negotiations so far.

The pause in negotiations because of the election will give all of us the opportunity to discuss what we have achieved so far and talk about what further progress we wish to make once a Government has been formed and we return to negotiations. Te Haeata will begin these discussions with you as soon as possible. The Minister has committed the Crown to completing a settlement offer within a reasonable timeframe.

The attached document sets out the broad progress we have made.

The agreement also recognises that we will also need to begin work on a governance entity to hold any settlement redress once the legislation to implement a settlement is passed.

Briefings and hui for Ngati Porou will begin shortly. Notice will be posted on the following websites, www.tehaeata.org.nz and www.NgatiPorou.com and in the public notices section of newspapers or you will be contacted directly. These gatherings will focus on what we achieved so far and what we can focus on achieving when negotiations resume. A copy of the agreement will also be available shortly on the *Te Haeata* website.

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Apirana Mahuika
Chair
Te Haeata