



Office of Hon Christopher Finlayson

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10 MAY 2011

Mr Colin Reeder
Chairperson
Ngā Potiki a Tamapahore Trust
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Tēnā koe Mr Reeder

Thank you for providing us with a copy of your deed of mandate. We write to confirm the Crown's recognition of the mandate of the Ngā Potiki a Tamapahore Trust (the **Trust**) to represent the descendants of Tamapahore in comprehensive Treaty settlements negotiations with the Crown.

As you are aware, there were a high number of submissions on your deed of mandate. Te Rūnanga o Ngai Te Rangi Iwi Trust (the **Rūnanga**) queried whether a separate mandate for Ngā Potiki was consistent with the Crown's large natural grouping policy and expressed concern about relativity and the precedent of a separate settlement in relation to other Ngāi Te Rangi hapū.

We understand that you discussed and resolved these issues with the Rūnanga at a facilitated hui on 18 March 2011 and furthermore, reached agreement regarding a negotiating framework with the Rūnanga. Based on the framework outlined in the letter dated 5 April 2011 and in conjunction with the support demonstrated in your deed of mandate we have concluded that the Trust is an appropriate entity to represent Ngā Potiki.

We are therefore pleased to recognise the mandate of the Trust to represent the Ngā Potiki claimant community in negotiations for the settlement of their historical Treaty claims as part of the negotiations framework agreed with the Rūnanga.

Nā māua noa,

Hon Christopher Finlayson
Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

Hon Dr Pita R Sharples
Minister of Māori Affairs



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Mr Charlie Tawhiao
Chairperson
Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Rangi Iwi Trust
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Hon Mita Rinui
Chairperson
Te Hononga

Tēnā korua

Thank you for your submissions regarding the Ngā Potiki a Tamapahore Trust (the **Trust**) deed of mandate. We write to confirm the Crown's recognition of the mandate of the Trust to represent the descendants of Tamapahore in comprehensive Treaty settlements negotiations with the Crown.

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We understand that you discussed and resolved these issues with the Trust at a facilitated hui on 18 March 2011 and furthermore, reached agreement regarding a negotiating framework which includes the Trust as part of the Ngāi Te Rangi negotiations. Based on the framework outlined in the letter dated 5 April 2011 and in conjunction with the support demonstrated in the Trust's deed of mandate we have concluded that the Trust is an appropriate entity to represent Ngā Potiki.

We are therefore pleased to recognise the mandate of the Trust to represent the Ngā Potiki claimant community in negotiations for the settlement of their historical Treaty claims as part of the negotiations framework agreed with the Rūnanga.

Nā māua noa,

Hon Christopher Finlayson
Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

Hon Dr Pita R Sharples
Minister of Māori Affairs

The Minister in Charge of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations
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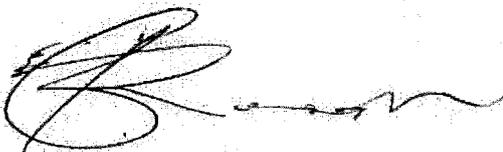
5 April 2011

Dear Ministers

**REQUEST FOR MANDATE RECOGNITION OF NGA POTIKI AND
SATISFACTION OF CONDITION ATTACHED TO THE RUNANGA
MANDATE**

1. We write to you to advise that Nga Potiki a Tamapahore Trust (Nga Potiki) and Te Runanga o Ngai Te Rangi Iwi Trust (Runanga), with the endorsement of Te Hononga, have agreed a negotiations and settlement framework which enables both parties to move forward together in negotiations with the Crown.
2. Following a challenging process, Nga Potiki and the Runanga have agreed:
 - (a) There will be one settlement for Ngai Te Rangi which will include Nga Potiki;
 - (b) There will be a single negotiations table for both Ngai Te Rangi and Nga Potiki;
 - (c) Nga Potiki shall appoint a negotiator and alternate to represent Nga Potiki;
 - (d) The Runanga's negotiators will negotiate generic matters and the specific and exclusive matters for the hapu that have mandated the Runanga;

- (e) The Nga Potiki negotiator will negotiate Nga Potiki specific and exclusive matters;
 - (f) Membership of Te Hononga by Nga Potiki may evolve over time;
 - (g) Important decisions will be made by consensus between the mandated representatives of Ngai Te Rangi and Nga Potiki (e.g confirmed offer, draft Deed of Settlement);
 - (h) The Runanga agree to support Nga Potiki funding applications to Office of Treaty Settlements and Crown Forestry Rental Trust;
 - (i) The Runanga will support the Crown recognition of the mandate sought by Nga Potiki; and
 - (j) Nga Potiki will confirm that the condition attached to the mandate of the Runanga is satisfied;
3. On the basis of this agreed framework Nga Potiki acknowledge that the condition to the mandate of the Runanga will be satisfied and both parties request that the Ministers recognise the Nga Potiki Deed of Mandate in order for substantive negotiations to commence. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any additional information.



Colin Reeder (Chairperson)
Nga Potiki a Tamapahore Trust



Charlie Tawhiao (Chairperson)
Te Runanga o Ngai Te Rangi Iwi
Trust



Mita Ririnui (Chairperson)
Te Hononga (Hapu Forum)