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Tēnā koe Awhimate Awhimate

We refer to the reconfirmed Deed of Mandate submitted to the Crown by the Ngāti Makino Heritage Trust on 26 March 2008. The submission of the mandate reflects the agreement made between the Crown, Waitaha and Ngāti Makino in the Joint Terms of Negotiation to complete a mandate process by 31 March 2008.

The mandate documentation demonstrates an open and transparent process in which Ngāti Makino has chosen to reconfirm mandate the Ngāti Makino Heritage Trust to represent them in negotiations with the Crown for the settlement of the historical Treaty claims of Ngāti Makino. On this basis we are pleased to recognise the mandate of the Ngāti Makino Heritage Trust.

We look forward to being updated on your progress in negotiations.

Nā māua noa,

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