
IN THE WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

WAI 1040

IN THE MATTER OF the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

AND

IN THE MATTER OF **TE PAPARAHI O TE RAKI
(NORTHLAND INQUIRY)**

CROWN MEMORANDUM

CROWN CONCESSION REGARDING TE REO MAORI

9 July 2018

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MAY IT PLEASE THE TRIBUNAL:

1. This memorandum responds to the Tribunal's direction of 9 May 2018.¹ The Tribunal asked counsel to respond to the Tribunal's understanding that:²

the Crown concedes that it failed to actively protect te reo and encourage its use by iwi and Māori which had a detrimental impact on te reo and the Hapū/Iwi of Northland and this was a breach of the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles.

2. That understanding is correct.
3. The wording of the Crown's concession was:³

The Crown concedes that it failed actively to protect te reo and encourage its use by iwi and Māori, which had a detrimental impact on te reo Māori in Northland, and this was a breach of the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles.

4. That concession includes the notion that the Crown's failure had a detrimental impact on te reo Māori in Northland as well as the hapū and iwi of Northland.

9 July 2018



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TO: The Registrar, Waitangi Tribunal
AND TO: the claimants and their counsel

¹ #2.7.14.
² #2.7.14 at [6].
³ #3.3.415 at [2].