PART OF THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

Uenuku Charitable Trust Notification of Mandate for Treaty of Waitangi Settlement Negotiations for Te Korowai o Wainuiārua

The Office of Treaty Settlements (OTS) invites submissions, views or inquiries concerning the draft Deed of Mandate of the Uenuku Charitable Trust (UCT) for the settlement negotiations of the historical Treaty claims of Te Korowai o Wainuiārua (the central Whanganui Large Natural Group). Submissions must reach OTS no later than Saturday 27 February 2016 and can be mailed to the Manager, Settlement Development Team, Office of Treaty Settlements, SX 10111, WELLINGTON; or emailed to OTS_subs@justice.govt.nz. All submissions will be provided to UCT and will be subject to the Official Information Act 1982.

The UCT draft Deed of Mandate is available on the UCT website, www.uenuku.iwi.nz the OTS website at www.govt.nz/treaty-settlement-documents and the Te Puni Kōkiri website at www.tpk.govt.nz.

UCT is seeking to enter into Treaty negotiations with the Crown for the comprehensive and final settlement of all Te Korowai o Wainuiārua historical Treaty of Waitangi claims. The proposed settlement will require ratification by the people of Te Korowai o Wainuiārua before a Deed of Settlement is signed with the Crown.

The draft Deed of Mandate refers to nine official publicly-notified mandate hui convened by UCT. The mandate hui were held in Raetihi, Whanganui, Auckland, Kihikihi, Taumarunui, Hastings, Wellington, Christchurch and Gore. Voting was carried out by secret ballot at the mandate hui and both online and by postal ballot for a six week period. The ballots were collated and counted by an Independent Returning Officer. 82.10% of those who participated voted in favour of the resolution to mandate UCT to negotiate all Te Korowai o Wainuiārua historical Treaty claims.

Te Korowai o Wainuiārua Ancestors

UCT is seeking a mandate to represent all persons who descend from one or more of the following ancestors: Tamakana, Tamahaki and/or Uenuku ki Manganui-o-te-Ao, nā Tūkaihoro.

Te Korowai o Wainuiārua Constituent Groups

Hapū to be included are: Ngāti Atamira, Ngāti Hae, Ngāti Hineiti, Ngāti Hinekoropango, Ngāti Hinekumara, Ngāti Hinekura, Ngāti Hineraro, Ngāti Hinerua, Ngāti Kahukurapane, Ngāti Kahukurapango, Ngāti Kahutuna, Ngāti Kaponga, Ngāti Kowhaikura, Ngāti Kura, Ngāti Kuratangiwharau, Ngāti Maringi, Ngāti Matakaha, Ngāti Ngarongoā, Ngāti Paekawa, Ngāti Pakū, Ngāti Pare, Ngāti Parekītai, Ngāti Poumua, Ngāti Puku, Rakaetoia, Ngāti Rangi ki Manganui-o-te-Ao, Ō Te Rangitautahi, Ngāti Ratuhi, Ngāti Rongotehengia, Ngāti Ruakōpiri, Ngāti Ruru, Ngāti Taipoto, Ngāti Takapupapa, Ngāti Tamahaki, Ngāti Tamahuatahi, Ngāti Tamakana, Tangatakore, Ngāti Taongakorehu, Ngāti Tara, Ngāti Tauengarero, Ngāti Taumatamahoe, Ngāti Te Aomapuhia, Ngāti Tuawhiti, Ngāti Tūhoro, Ngāti Tūkaiora, Ngāti Tukapua, Ngāti Tukoio, Ngāti Tumanuka, Ngāti Tuwharekai, Ngāti Uenuku, Ngāti Waikaramihi and Ngāti Whaikiterangi.

Shared hapū to be included are: Patutokotoko, Ngāti Hau, Ngāti Hekeāwai, Ngāti Hinewai and Ngāti Kurawhatia only to the extent that members of these hapū descend from Tamakana, Tamahaki and Uenuku ki Manganui-o-te-Ao, nā Tūkaihoro.

Wai Claims

The Wai claims to be negotiated are all claims, whether registered or unregistered, that arise from Crown actions and omissions that occurred prior to 21 September 1992, including, but not limited to: Wai 73, 458, 836, 843, 954, 1072, 1073, 1084, 1170, 1181, 1189, 1192, 1197, 1202, 1224, 1261, 1388, 1393, 1394, 1633, 1738, 2203 and 2204. Wai claims to be negotiated also include: Wai 48, 81, 146, 167, 221, 428, 555, 759, 1191, 1229, 1594 and 1607 insofar as they relate to Te Korowai o Wainuiārua.

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For further information, and to view the draft Deed of Mandate, please visit the OTS website www.govt.nz/treaty-settlement-documents/ or the UCT website www.uenuku.iwi.nz.