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Tēnā koe

Crown recognition of mandate

Thank you for submitting the Ngāti Hāua lwi Trust's Deed of Mandate to represent Ngāti Hāua in Treaty settlement negotiations with the Crown.

We consider the Ngāti Hāua lwi Trust has the support of Ngāti Hāua and has processes and systems in place to ensure it is appropriately accountable to its claimant community.

We are, therefore, pleased to recognise the mandate of the Ngāti Hāua lwi Trust to represent Ngāti Hāua in Treaty settlement negotiations with the Crown.

This is an exciting time for Ngāti Hāua. We are looking forward to working with you during negotiations.

Nā māua noa, nā

Caritapher for

Hon Christopher Finlayson

Minister for Treaty of Waitangi

Hon Te Ururoa Flaveli

Te Minita Whanaketanga Māori