

IN THE WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

Wai 2575

CONCERNING

the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

AND

the Health Services and
Outcomes Kaupapa Inquiry

**MEMORANDUM-DIRECTIONS OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER CONCERNING
THE CROWN'S RESPONSE TO THE STAGE ONE INTERIM
RECOMMENDATIONS**

22 January 2020

Introduction

1. This memorandum-directions confirms an extension request sought by the Stage One claimants and the Crown to file an update regarding progress in relation to interim recommendations in the Hauora Report.

Update regarding progress on interim recommendations

2. I directed the Stage One claimants and the Crown to update the Tribunal on progress concerning interim recommendations set out in the Hauora Report ('the Report') by 20 January 2020. Those discussions included the possibility of a stand-alone Māori health authority and funding issues.
3. On 20 January 2020, Karen Feint QC and Erin James on behalf of the National Hauora Coalition (Wai 2687), Roimata Smail on behalf of Lady Tureti Moxon and Janice Kuka (Wai 1315), Jamie Ferguson on behalf of Taitimu Maipi and Hakopa Paul (Wai 1315), and Craig Linkhorn and Geoff Melvin on behalf of the Crown, filed a joint memorandum seeking an extension of time to provide the update.¹
4. Counsel have explained that the Crown's internal processes for considering and deciding on its response to the Report has taken longer than claimant counsel anticipated. However, in December 2019 the Associate Minister for Health (Māori Health), the Hon Peeni Henare, advised the Stage One claimants that the Crown will commit to engaging on the interim recommendations. The parties propose entering into a Heads of Agreement setting out the basis for engagement.
5. As it is intended that the first stage of engagement will be completed by 31 May 2020, the parties suggest it would be appropriate to update the Tribunal on progress by 1 June 2020.
6. I direct the parties to:
 - a) file a copy of the Heads of Agreement once it is finalised; and
 - b) file a joint memorandum updating the Tribunal on progress by **Monday 1 June 2020**.
7. An updated list of forthcoming filing dates is **attached** as **Appendix One**.

¹ Wai 2575, #3.2.193

The Registrar is to send this direction to all those on the notification list for Wai 2575, the Health Services and Outcomes Kaupapa Inquiry.

DATED at Hamilton this 22nd day of January 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S R Clark', written in a cursive style.

Judge S R Clark
Presiding Officer

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