



1 October 2024

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Nei rā ngā mihi ki a koutou i runga anō i ngā āhuatanga o te wā, tae atu ki ō tātou tini mate kua haere ki te pō. Kua tangihia o tātou tini mate huri noa i te motu, kua tukuna atu ki tua o te ārai. Ki a tātou te hunga ora, koutou ngā kaihautū o ngā iwi, o ngā hapori, o ngā whānau, kei te mihi, tēnā koutou katoa.

I write to you as the presiding officer of Wai 3300, the Tomokia Ngā Tatau o Mātangireia – the Constitutional Kaupapa Inquiry for the Waitangi Tribunal. We are about to commence our inquiry into the substantive nature of the claims before us, relating to constitutional matters. There are a substantial number of claims being heard in this inquiry. We consider that you represent a significant number of Māori and that the claims are relevant to your constituency.

We are about to hold the first evidential wānanga for the Wai 3300 inquiry from **Monday 2 to Tuesday 3 December 2024**, commencing at **9am**. The location will be confirmed in forthcoming directions. A background paper providing possible definitions on the proposed themes for inquiry, which will be discussed at the upcoming wānanga, is **attached** as **Appendix A**.

Pursuant to cl 6(1) of sch 2 of the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975, we invite you to attend the wānanga or to file a statement of position on the principles, themes, and possible remedies for the inquiry. Please file any statement of position by **5pm, Monday 4 November 2024** by sending to the Registrar at WT.Registrar@justice.govt.nz so the views can be considered at the wānanga.

Nāku noa, nā

Kaiwhakawā Mātua Dr C L Fox
Tumuaki

TE RŌPŪ WHAKAMANA I TE TIRITI O WAITANGI