WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

Wai 3235

CONCERNING the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

AND the Justice System (Grant-Mackie) claim

MEMORANDUM-DIRECTIONS OF THE DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The Registrar is directed to add to Wai 3235 an amended statement of claim received on 14 March 2025 and to record its date of receipt in the register of claims.

This amendment seeks to add further allegations to the claim concerning the education system. These allegations include that the Crown has breached the Treaty of Waitangi by:

- failing to support them in a way that respects and uplifts their cultural identity and learning needs;
- failing to address the unique educational needs of Māori;
- supressing te reo Māori in New Zealand which has caused prejudice, including past policies that banned its use in schools and punished rangatahi for speaking it, causing language trauma for generations;
- failing Māori students in terms of education fees, licing expenses, student loans, and resourcing options, leaving many Māri individuals with significant barriers to accessing higher education; and
- failing to recognise and nurture the potential of Māori leaders from an early stage, particularly within education centres.

The amendment is to be entered on Wai 3235, the Justice System (Grant-Mackie) claim, as document #1.1.1(a).

The Registrar is to send a copy of this direction to the claimants and give notice of the amendment to those on the notification list for:

- Wau 3235, the Justice System (Grant-Mackie) claim; and
- Wai 3300, the Education Services and Outcomes Kaupapa Inquiry.

DATED at Wellington this 21st day of July 2025

Judge Sarah Reeves
Deputy Chairperson
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