



## Communication Release 4 June 2020 Response to the Change.Org Petition MAY 2020

Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust are aware of a change.org petition that started on 17 May 2020, the day after the advertising of the draft Deed of Mandate, by supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust. Following is the Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust (MPWCT) response to statements made and specific Iwi response where relevant.

### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition:

“AFTER 180 YEARS Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki has been subsumed by a NEW Iwi called Ohuake in the MPWCT dDOM”.

### *Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Ohuake and Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust (MPWCT) response.*

#### **Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Ohuake response**

Ngāi Te Ohuake is not a new Iwi. The Awarua land court judgement of 1891 stripped the Iwi name of Ngāi Te Ohuake from the record and left its hapū only. Like many other hapū of that time we became separated and parts of other large neighbouring Iwi. Ngāi Te Ohuake will not allow its mana to be stripped again and refute the statement that it is a new Iwi that has subsumed Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki. Hinemanu and Paki, are two of the hapū who whakapapa to Ngāi Te Ohuake along with the hapū of Hau, Tamakōrako, Te Upokoiri, Honomōkai, Te Ngaruru.

#### **Ngāti Hinemanu – Hapū of Ngāi Te Ohuake**

Hinemanu was a Great Granddaughter of Ohuake through her mother, Punakiao and it is through this whakapapa that Hinemanu gains mana whenua in Mōkai Pātea.

#### **Ngāti Hinemanu – Hapū of Ngāti Kahungunu**

Hinemanu was a descendant of Kahungunu through her Father, Taraia and it is through this whakapapa that Hinemanu gains mana whenua in Heretaunga.

#### **Why the distinction?**

As with many hapū, Ngāti Hinemanu can affiliate to more than one Iwi. It is important that we don't confuse those Iwi.

**He mana to Ngāi Te Ohuake ki Mōkai Pātea – He mana to Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga  
Ngāi Te Ohuake hold mana in Mōkai Pātea - Ngāti Kahungunu hold mana in Heretaunga**

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

Research shows that Ohuake was acknowledged by Mōkai Pātea rangātira, during Māori Land Court hearings of the late 1800's, as the 'take Tupuna' of specific whenua within Mōkai Pātea. The research presented by various claimants throughout the Waitangi Tribunal, gave voice to the evidence of those tupuna who recognised Ngāi Te Ohuake as a historic Iwi of Mōkai Pātea. Winiata Te Whaaro was one of those Rangātira who repeatedly identified over a period of nearly 10 years, from 1884 to 1893, through his appearances, across both the Awarua and Mangaohane land court cases that Ngāti Hinemanu was a hapū, that Ngāti Paki was a hapū and that Ngāi Te Ohuake was the Iwi.

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition:

“The dDOM authorizes descendants of Tamakopiri, Whitikaupeka, Hauiti and Ohuake to represent, negotiate and settle **ALL** Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Treaty of Waitangi Historical Claims”

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

*The crown requirement for negotiations on Treaty settlement is that **all** registered and unregistered historical claims must be included in the draft Deed of Mandate. Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust is seeking the mandate to represent the claimant community of Mōkai Pātea in direct Treaty settlement negotiations. This was endorsed by a Mandate Vote in June 2019 where 80% of those who voted supported the mandate. The draft Deed of Mandate is a final step in the process to seek a mandate. The claimant community is defined in section B of the draft Deed of Mandate. Which includes all hapū including Ngāti Hinemanu and Ngāti Paki.*

*It is the negotiators not Iwi Rūnanga that negotiate with the Crown on behalf of the Claimant Community. The appointment and proceedings of the Negotiators is set out in section H of the draft Deed of Mandate. We note that Hinemanu ki Heretaunga claims are separate to Mōkai Pātea and sit within the He Toa Takitini Settlement. These claims are not included in the Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust draft Deed of Mandate.*

#### **Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Ohuake Response**

*The historical erosion and destruction of our tribal structure and rangātiratanga, primarily through the acts of the land courts in the late 1800's has been devastating for Ngāi Te Ohuake. Ngāi Te Ohuake are rebuilding our hapū and whānau connections and are committed to supporting and ensuring our hapū are not split and scattered again. Ngāi Te Ohuake continue to support the draft Deed of Mandate and provide a place for Ngāti Paki and Ngāti Hinemanu within our Iwi Rūnanga.*

#### **Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti Response**

*Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti support and affirm our hapū rangātiratanga of **all** our many hapū. Ngāti Hinemanu is an important part of our whakapapa. It is not the only part. Our Rūnanga has Ngāti Hinemanu members and welcomes Ngāti Hinemanu as part of the Rūnanga structure. There has always been a hapū seat for Ngāti Hinemanu. Ngāti Hauiti support the draft Deed of Mandate.*

#### **Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tamakōpiri Response**

*Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tamakōpiri acknowledge there are 35 hapū across the Mōkai Pātea rohe, with whakapapa to the four Iwi Rūnanga and ancestors. Where Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki tangata see themselves in terms of the hapū and iwi structure within Ngāi Te Ohuake, Ngāti Whitikaupeka and Ngāti Hauiti does not directly impact on the Tamakōpiri whakapapa lines. However, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tamakōpiri are aware that opposition prevents us progressing a settlement for the grievances presented by our Tamakōpiri whānau through the Waitangi Tribunal Taihape Inquiry. This has a direct and negative impact on the 11 hapū and whānau of Ngāti Tamakōpiri. We have invested much time and resource and support the collective approach to Settlement for Mōkai Pātea. We continue to support the mandate process and for Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust to commence negotiations with the Crown.*



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### ***Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whitikaupeka Response***

*Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whitikaupeka has Ngāti Hinemanu ties through Tautahi. There is a delegate seat on our Rūnanga for descendants of Tautahi. Ngāti Whitikaupeka have descendants of Tautahi and Hinemanu within its whānau and membership. There needs to be a wider understanding that not all Hinemanu members are represented by those organising this petition. We will protect the representation of our whānau with Hinemanu whakapapa lines through Tautahi and continue to support and recognise them within our hapū and rūnanga structure. We continue to support the progress towards settlement and support the draft Deed of Mandate.*

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### **Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition:**

“The dDOM **DENIES** Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki our Mana Motuhake (self-autonomy) and Tino Rangātiratanga (equal and independent representation)”

### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

*Without knowing which part of the draft Deed of Mandate is being referred to. We take this statement to mean the whole draft Deed of Mandate. Our response is therefore to acknowledge that a draft Deed of Mandate is a requirement of the Crown’s mandate recognition process. It is required as part of the crown process to gain a mandate (endorsement) from the people representative of the large natural grouping (also a crown determination) to enter to negotiations with the crown for settlement.*

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition:

“MPWCT **DO NOT** have the authority from Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki WAI 662, WAI 1835 & WAI 1868 Claimants to negotiate and settle **ALL** their Historical Treaty of Waitangi Claims”

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

*We acknowledge the Wai claim numbers 662, 1835 and 1868 that have been represented by the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust. We have listened to the presentations of these claims and many others within the Waitangi Tribunal WAI:2180 Taihape Inquiry over the last four years. The Waitangi Tribunal is a standing commission. It **may only** make recommendations to the Crown. The Waitangi Tribunal is not involved in negotiations or settlement.*

*Every claim lodged is given a Wai number. Having a Wai number and having a claim heard in Waitangi Tribunal Hearings does not mean that claim is recognised as a mandate. Nor does it mean a Wai Claimant (persons or persons who have lodged a specific claim) can negotiate as of right with the Crown.<sup>1</sup> Refer to Aratohu Mō Nga Rōpu Kaitono, Guide for Claimants Negotiating Treaty Settlements, Crown Forestry Rental Trust. (Crown Forestry Rental Trust)*

*When an Inquiry ends regardless of the Tribunal Report’s recommendations, for Treaty settlement purposes the Wai Claimants within the Inquiry Area **and** the claimant community need to organise themselves to begin the process for the seeking of a Crown recognised mandate to represent their claimant community in Treaty settlement negotiations.*

*The Crown has recognised Mōkai Pātea rohe as a Large Natural Group for the purposes of settlement negotiations. This is the step the Crown requires for Mōkai Pātea to be able to enter negotiations with the Crown to achieve a comprehensive settlement of **all** registered and unregistered historical claims under Te Tiriti o Waitangi.*

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition:

“The Crown (Te Arawhiti) continue to BREACH Te Tiriti o Waitangi in supporting the progression of the dDOM”

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

*We have no comment on this we are not the Crown.*

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition

“MPWCT continues to MANIPULATE whakapapa and tikanga TO DISADVANTAGE Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki claimants in the representation of their Waitangi Tribunal Claims”

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

*All whakapapa presented by Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust (MPWCT) claimants uses original whakapapa presented by our tupuna in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It has been thoroughly researched over many years, approved by Kaumātua and agreed to by Ngāi Te Ohuake, Ngāti Hauiti, Ngāti Tamakopiri and Ngāti Whitikaupeka. Mōkai Pātea Claimants in the Waitangi Tribunal have consistently presented the same whakapapa.*

*We refute this statement emphatically. Further we acknowledge the Mōkai Pātea Claimants and Kaumātua who have sat patiently during Waitangi Tribunal Hearings and listened to claimants represented by the Heritage Trust, use whakapapa not supported by korero of our Tupuna.*

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition

“MPWCT has no APPETITE to include our Iwi & Rūnanga as equal alongside other Iwi & Rūnanga entities within their dDOM”

#### **Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response**

We take this statement is referring to the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust and the establishment of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hinemanu, Ngāti Paki me Ngāti Pouwharekura.

The draft Deed of Mandate from paragraph 96-109 details how Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust have attempted to engage with the Heritage Trust, to listen to their concerns, to consider amendments to the mandate strategy and present those concerns back to the four Iwi Rūnanga, Ngāi Te Ohuake, Ngāti Hauiti, Ngāti Tamakōpiri and Ngāti Whitikaupeka.

The draft Deed of Mandate provides for one (1) hapū seat for Ngāti Paki and seven (7) hapū seats for those who descend from Hinemanu and Tautahi (Hinemanu’s husband). One Ngāti Hinemanu hapū seat within Ngāti Hauiti, one Ngāti Tautahi hapū seat within Ngāti Whitikaupeka and four (4) Ngāti Hinemanu hapū seats within Ngāi Te Ohuake. This representative structure is what the Iwi Rūnanga of Mōkai Pātea agreed was acceptable to them, given their distinct whakapapa. The representative structure was presented to the claimant community through mandate hui and was part of the mandate strategy and voted on. Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust continue to be open to engagement with Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust.

Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust understand that the Heritage Trust view is that Hinemanu is an Iwi and should be the fifth Iwi within Mōkai Pātea. Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust understand that view is not shared by Ngāi Te Ohuake, Ngāti Hauiti, or Ngāti Whitikaupeka whom all have distinct whakapapa lines to Hinemanu. It is not the role of Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust to determine who is an Iwi and who is not an Iwi. That is a matter to be determined by whakapapa, discussion, and agreeance across the Iwi within Mōkai Pātea and with those neighbouring Iwi who have shared whakapapa interests and history with Ngāti Hinemanu, Ngāi Te Ohuake, Ngāti Hauiti, Ngāti Tamakōpiri and Ngāti Whitikaupeka.

#### **Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Ohuake Response**

Ngāti Hinemanu and Ngāti Paki, are two of the hapū who whakapapa to Ngāi Te Ohuake along with the hapū of Ngāti Hau, Ngāti Tamakōrako, Ngāti Te Upokoiri, Ngāti Honomōkai, and Ngāti Te Ngaruru. Our rūnanga considered over many hui the concerns of the Heritage Trust. Eventually we agreed the representative structure be amended within Ngāi Te Ohuake to increase the hapū seats for Ngāti Hinemanu from 1 to 4. Providing more representation recognising the four children of Hinemanu and Tautahi. This was a difficult process for our rūnanga to work through to ensure all our hapū are fairly represented and for our whānau to allow space for not one Ngāti Hinemanu seat but four seats to recognise the four uri of Hinemanu. The Mandate Strategy was amended to reflect this change and was endorsed in the Mandate Vote of 2019.

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### Statement from Supporters of the Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki Heritage Trust Petition

“MPWCT has no APPETITE to agree to a multilateral negotiation and settlement process for our specific Treaty of Waitangi Claims”

#### ***Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust Response***

*Mōkai Pātea Waitangi Claims Trust does not control the negotiation and settlement process for Treaty Settlements. This is determined by the Crown. It is the Crown that insists on a Large Natural Grouping for settlement purposes and the inclusion of all claims within the Large Natural Group for the purposes of Treaty settlement negotiations.*

*Mōkai Pātea has been recognised by the Crown as a Large Natural Grouping and is not included in other Large Natural Groupings, this validates the work done over the last four decades by the Iwi Rūnanga of Mōkai Pātea to re-establish the identity of Mōkai Pātea.*

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