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Te Haeata – the Settlement Portal launch

I am writing to notify you of the upcoming launch of Te Haeata – the Settlement Portal. Te Haeata is a free online record of Treaty settlement commitments, as recorded in deeds of settlement and settlement legislation. On 28 June 2019 Te Haeata goes live and enables commitment holders to register accounts.

The name ‘Te Haeata’ was given by Tā John Clarke. This name encapsulates a new beginning or dawning of a new era in the relationship between the Crown and iwi and hapū with settlements.

The aim of Te Haeata is to make Treaty settlement commitments more visible and accessible to organisations with responsibilities in Treaty settlements. This includes the Crown, post-settlement governance entities, local government and other relevant organisations. To this end, Te Haeata is available to commitment holding agencies but not the general public.

By raising the visibility of Treaty settlement commitments, Te Haeata supports the Crown to deliver on its obligations and ensure the durability of settlements is upheld.

Te Haeata does not replace Treaty settlements but is intended to support commitment holders to manage their commitments.

At launch date, commitments from over 45 settlements will be uploaded with the aim that remaining legislated settlements will follow by December. I note that, at least initially, Te Haeata is a basic system and over time there may be ways to expand existing functions.

If you have any questions about Te Haeata please contact TeHaeata@tearawhiti.govt.nz and visit www.tehaeata.govt.nz on 28 June 2019 to register.

Nāku noa, nā



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