FINISHING HISTORIC TREATY SETTLEMENTS

National recognises the importance of just and durable Treaty of Waitangi settlements.

Settlements not only provide iwi with an economic base to build on, but also enable the resolution of historical grievances, which is good for iwi and good for New Zealand.

National has a great track record in Treaty settlements. We have significantly sped up the settling of historic Treaty settlements and are nearly there. By 2017, all willing iwi should have deeds of settlement.

The financial proceeds of settlements can help iwi lay the foundations for economic success and grow their wealth. They also make a valuable contribution to regional development, delivering new educational initiatives, stronger social services and innovative business investment to New Zealand’s regions.

Resolving historic grievances through the full and final settlement of historic claims will be a major achievement for New Zealand.
NATIONAL IS...

DELIVERING ENDURING TREATY SETTLEMENTS FOR ALL WILLING AND ABLE IWIs

- Making huge progress in settling with iwis across the country, with 49 agreements in principle reached and 46 deeds of settlement signed.
- Delivering a settlement with Ngai Tuhoe, including a historic apology by the Crown and a strong economic base to build upon.
- Bringing high-level political leadership to settling historical Treaty claims.
- Speeding up the passage of legislation so iwis who settle receive the benefits of settlement earlier.

ENSURING SETTLEMENTS ARE FULL, FINAL AND SUCCESSFUL

- Set up a post-settlements office to ensure the Crown keeps its commitments and Treaty settlements are final.
- Working with iwis across government on regional development to ensure the benefits of settlement are enjoyed by all.
- Delivering significant growth opportunities for New Zealand’s regions through an increase in the number of settlements finalised in the past six years.

### TREATY SETTLEMENT PROGRESS

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OUR NEXT STEPS

BY 2017, ALL WILLING AND ABLE IWI SHOULD HAVE DEEDS OF SETTLEMENT

➔ Keep up the momentum and energy National has brought to Treaty settlements.
➔ Maintain political leadership of Treaty settlements, ensure the Crown keeps commitments made in Treaty settlements and that settlements are full and final.
➔ Continue to look for flexible solutions to long-standing grievances.
➔ Deliver more investment into New Zealand’s regions through settlements.

DON’T PUT IT ALL AT RISK

Labour would:

❌ Slow down Treaty settlements. Under their previous record, they would not have been completed until 2060, if at all.

❌ Stall settlement momentum. They averaged fewer than two deeds of settlement each year they were in office between 1999 and 2008, compared to National’s average of more than seven each year. We can’t let Labour’s lethargy and lack of interest destroy momentum yet again.

❌ Prolong grievances, disadvantage iwi in negotiations and hold up huge economic development potential in the regions.

❌ Create, through delay, inequalities between settled and non-settled iwi.

❌ Create modern grievances through unjust panicked political reactions, such as the foreshore and seabed legislation, which denied Māori access to the courts and legislated away property rights.