

# *Vote Treaty Negotiations*

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MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations (M74)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Justice

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MINISTRY OF JUSTICE: Minister of Justice

## Overview of the Vote

The Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations is responsible for appropriations in Vote Treaty Negotiations for the 2010/11 financial year covering the following:

Vote Treaty Negotiations contains a multi-year appropriation of \$1,400 million for the five-year period 2010 to 2014. This appropriation is for the settlement of historical Treaty of Waitangi claims and provides for the payment of redress through the transfer of assets (cash and property) from the Crown to claimant groups, and for the payment of interest on settlement redress.

In addition, annual appropriations sought for Vote Treaty Negotiations in 2010/11 total \$62.796 million. This is intended to be spent as follows:

- \$21.520 million (34% of the Vote) for the purchase of policy advice, negotiation, settlement and implementation of historical Treaty claims from the Office of Treaty Settlements.
- \$7.335 million (12% of the Vote) for the purchase of property management services from the Office of Treaty Settlements.
- \$2.961 million (5% of the Vote) for the purchase of Crown representation at Waitangi Tribunal hearings of historical claims.
- \$10 million (16% of the Vote) for claimant funding to support the settlement of historical Treaty claims.
- \$1 million (less than 2% of the Vote) to support the implementation of the Central North Island Forests land settlement.
- \$120,000 (less than 1% of the Vote) for debt write-off of rentals owing from Landbank properties.
- \$3.600 million (6% of the Vote) for depreciation on assets held in the Office of Treaty Settlements landbank.
- \$16.260 million (26% of the Vote) for the purchasing of property by the Office of Treaty Settlements for historical Treaty of Waitangi settlement purposes.

The Ministry of Justice expects to collect \$5.877 million of revenue on behalf of the Crown from Landbank property operations.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-6 for Vote Treaty Negotiations in the *Information Supporting the Estimates of Appropriations*.

# Details of Appropriations

## Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2009/10		2010/11
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
<b>Departmental Output Expenses</b>			
<b>Policy Advice - Treaty Negotiations (M74)</b>	18,818	18,770	21,520
Advice on generic Treaty issues and specific historical Treaty claims. Negotiation of historical Treaty claims. Where appropriate, the preparation of settlement legislation, property valuation, disclosure and preparation and execution of legal documentation required to enable the transfer of settlement assets to claimants.			
<b>Property Portfolio Management (M74)</b>	6,986	6,979	7,335
Management, transfer and disposal of Crown-owned property for Treaty settlement purposes.			
<b>Representation - Waitangi Tribunal (M74)</b>	2,376	2,089	2,961
Allows the Crown to undertake research into historical Treaty grievances and ensures the Crown is represented with well prepared documentation and evidence at Waitangi Tribunal hearings.			
<b>Total Departmental Output Expenses</b>	28,180	27,838	31,816
<b>Non-Departmental Other Expenses</b>			
<b>Claimant Funding (M74)</b>	-	-	10,000
This appropriation is limited to payment of claimant funding related to the settlement of historical Treaty of Waitangi claims.			
<b>Contribution to Support Implementation of the Central North Island Forests Land Settlement (M74)</b>	1,150	1,150	1,000
This appropriation is limited to providing funding for iwi with interests in Central North Island forests land to take steps necessary to resolve allocation of that land.			
<b>Debt Write-offs (M74)</b>	120	120	120
Write-off of Bad Debts from Landbank rental properties.			
<b>Depreciation (M74)</b>	3,600	3,600	3,600
Depreciation on assets held in the Office of Treaty Settlements Landbank for Treaty settlements.			
<b>Co-management Negotiations (M74)</b>	1,200	1,200	-
This appropriation is limited to funding negotiations for Waikato River co-management arrangements that support historical Treaty settlements.			
<b>Crown Contribution to Guardians Establishment Committee Costs (M74)</b>	581	581	-
This appropriation is limited to the establishment, operation and support of the Guardians Establishment Committee.			
<b>Crown Contribution to Ngāti Apa Waitangi Tribunal Mediation Costs and Negotiations Costs (M74)</b>	112	112	-
This appropriation is limited to a one-off ex gratia payment to Ngāti Apa as a contribution to costs incurred by them to resolve their overlapping claims and participation in Waitangi Tribunal mediation process.			
<b>Transfer of the Crown's 10 per cent residual interest in Central North Island Crown forest licensed land (M74)</b>	22,560	22,560	-
This appropriation is limited to the transfer of the Crown's 10 per cent residual interest in Central North Island Crown forest licensed land to CNI Iwi Holdings Limited.			
<b>Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses</b>	29,323	29,323	14,720

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	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
<b>Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure</b>			
<b>Land, Stock, Plant Purchases (M74)</b>	77,406	77,406	16,260
The purchase of surplus Crown property is held in the Office of Treaty Settlements Landbank to protect it for possible use in future Treaty of Waitangi settlements.			
<b>Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure</b>	77,406	77,406	16,260
<b>Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations</b>	134,909	134,567	62,796

## Details of Multi-Year Appropriations

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations		\$000
<b>Non-Departmental Other Expenses</b>		
<p><a href="#">Historical Treaty of Waitangi Settlements 2009 - 2013 (M74)</a></p> <p>This appropriation is limited to settlement of historical Treaty of Waitangi claims, including redress through the transfer of assets (cash and property) from the Crown to claimant groups, any simple interest payable on settlements between the date specified in the Deed of Settlement and the Settlement Date, and payment of claimant funding.</p> <p>Commences: 30 June 2009</p> <p>Expires: 30 June 2013</p>		800,000
<p><a href="#">Historical Treaty of Waitangi Settlements 2010-2014 (M74)</a></p> <p>This appropriation is limited to the settlement of historical Treaty of Waitangi claims, including redress through the transfer of assets (cash and property) from the Crown to the claimant groups, and any simple interest payable on settlements between the date specified in the Deed of Settlement and the Settlement Date.</p> <p>Commences: 30 June 2010</p> <p>Expires: 30 June 2014</p>		1,400,000