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Mixed Ownership Model Submission Form

The Government welcomes your feedback on this consultation document, particularly the questions set out below.

You can make a submission by using this form, which is also available electronically at www.treasury.govt.nz/mixed-ownership-consultation

1 Contact Details

I am responding (please complete one):

As an individual

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On behalf of an organisation

Your name	
Organisation you represent	
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2 Submission

Question 1: What rights and interests, if any, do Māori have in the Mixed Ownership Model Companies that are not protected by the section 27A-D memorials regime, or by other legislation?
Refer to Additional Comments

Question 2: How would any rights and interests identified in question 1 be protected by continued application of section 9 of the State-Owned Enterprises Act 1986?

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Question 3: Could any rights and interests identified in question 1 be protected by an alternative, more specific, formulation of the Crown's obligations under the Treaty?

Refer to additional comments

Additional comments: Please insert any other comments you wish to make on this consultation document.

My name is Kingi Areta Richard Biddle. I am a Father, a Husband, a Grandfather, a son, a brother, a relation and a friend. I write this on behalf of myself, my family. My ancestors and those yet to come. I live at [1] [2]

A friend of mine from America posted on her facebook site on their Columbus Day "Let's celebrate Columbus Day by walking into someone's house and telling them we live here now..."

That's how I feel currently about the situation that has presented itself before us today. The context that I put it into goes back to the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi.

On February 6 1840, Maori signed over governorship to the Crown, the debate has been since then that we handed over sovereignty.

Let me put this to you, why would a race of people who for generations before fought the mightiest of oceans by reading the stars, built complex fortified fortresses that continually baffled British forces and inspired the type of warfare that the modern day employs, could remember generations upon generations of names, events and stories, who believe that we come from the earth and the sky suddenly give it all away with the stroke of a quill?

If you were those Ancestors... would you?

I feel like we are the ones who had our house "walked in" on...

My people of Te Arawa left Hawaiki on the behest of our ancestor Houmaitawhiti who said that we should leave to Aotearoa and find a better way of life so that we can survive for generation upon generation, to the point of where we would flourish..

Never in a million years would he have hoped that our people would fill prisons, become fodder for the Media and Election promises and be there laughing stock of a country (Don't believe me? Read the newspapers.. Paul Holmes has even jumped on the

Bandwagon..)

The many ancestors who put their moko to the Treaty had the same hope in mind for us, their descendants, As a note, putting a moko is not the same as a signature, it puts your pedigree, your Mana and your word on the line, something that was sacrosanct to them. So here I am writing a submission on whether or not we should extract Section 9 from the SOE Act.. onbe does not have to be psychic to guess what my answer would be....

It should be there by right... Our ancestors gave the land in the hope for a better future, so their children would flourish, many of you are parents, wouldn't you do the same??

I know that the Courts gave you this process to go through, so yes you came to listen, I also hope you came to hear... what if all Maori said keep the Section in?? What would you do then?? As ministers you have you views, but as human beings you also have eyes and ears.

Do the right thing Government... Do what's right, just and honourable....

Leave Section 9 in the SOE Act...

Love and peace to you and your wonderful families

Kingi Biddle

All submissions will be publicly available

The Government will publicly release your submission, a summary of submissions and a list of the names of submitters, on The Treasury's website: www.treasury.govt.nz/mixed-ownership-consultation.

Your name will be made publicly available as part of your submission when it is released

Your contact details will be removed from your submission before it is posted on the website, recorded in the summary of submissions or released under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

If you do not wish your name in your submission to be released, please clearly state this in your submission or tick the option below:

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Submissions can be sent by email to mixed-ownership-consultation@treasury.govt.nz or by post to:

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The deadline for receipt of submissions is **5pm on Wednesday 22 February 2012**. Late submissions will not be considered.